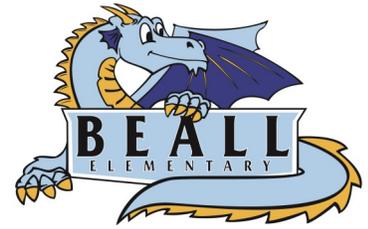


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A high-quality education is the fundamental right of every child at Beall Elementary School. Staff, children, parents and the community will form a multicultural learning environment which provides all students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes that will empower them to be successful, contributing citizens of the world.



SPOTLIGHT: Update Contact Information

As we complete the first half of the school year, we would like to remind parents to continue to provide school staff with contact information changes. Please be sure to let the office know if your phone numbers, email addresses, or mailing addresses need updating.

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate all of our students who participated in our Science Expo. Students were able to share the information they learned, explain how they learned it, and make connections to the importance. Thank you to everyone who supported student learning and exploration. We would like to thank the PTA and Mrs. Folkart for facilitating this event. We had over 130 students who participated!

VALENTINE'S DAY PARTIES

Valentine's Day parties are being scheduled for the afternoon of Thursday, February 14. Additional information will be provided by your child's teacher. All food, snacks, or treats that are being donated for parties should be approved by your child's teacher in order to accommodate students with allergies. Teachers will indicate how many volunteers are needed for their classroom celebrations.

Student Transfer Application Season Begins Feb. 1

Montgomery County parents/guardians who wish to request a Change of School Assignment (COSA) for their children may begin the process during the upcoming transfer season, which starts on February 1. All COSA requests must be submitted no later than April 1, 2019. The transfer process begins in the home school, where parents/guardians may request the *Change of School Assignment Information Booklet* that contains the COSA form, describes the process and provides useful information. Beginning the first week of February, the COSA booklet will be available in schools and online at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/info/transfers. The booklet will be available in English and Spanish.

Share Your Thoughts on Policy KBA

The Montgomery County Board of Education wants to hear from the community on proposed revisions to Policy KBA, *Policy on Public Information*. The revised policy discusses the importance of effective communication with members of the Montgomery County community across a variety of existing and emerging media and communication channels. The revised policy also affirms the Board of Education's commitment to following all legal obligations regarding the protection and appropriate disclosure of student and employee information. You can provide comments until March 3, 2019. For more information, visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/policy-for-public-comment.aspx.

Students Can Design Their Dream Classroom in United We Learn Contest

Montgomery County Public Schools is launching the third year of its student contest, *United We Learn*. This year's contest, *United We Learn: Schools of the Future*, allows students to design their ideal learning space and challenges them to think critically about how their physical environment affects their ability to learn. The contest follows a November 2018 survey that asked students and staff about how they use learning spaces at their schools, and what they would like classrooms and schools to look like in the future. Recurring elements mentioned in the survey feedback included considerations regarding color, lighting, furniture, technology, and security. That feedback will be used to support the continuous improvement of our educational facilities. The contest tasks students to consider these same elements as they design their vision of what an ideal learning space might look like in the future. By participating in this contest, students may also have the ability to help influence future design. More details are available on the contest website: montgomeryschoolsmd.org/events/unitedwelearn/.

This Week

Mon., January 28

No School— Professional Day

Tues., January 29

Grade 5 students meet with JWMS Staff

Wed., January 30

Head Start Parent Meeting

Coming Soon

February 4

5th Grade Parent Meeting at JWMS (7:30 pm)

February 5

Winter Instrumental Music Concert

February 6

PTA Meeting

February 11

PTA Dine Out Night

February 14

Valentine's Day Celebrations

Inclement Weather

In the event that schools have a delayed opening or early dismissal due to winter weather, announcements will be made via MCPS website, local radio and television stations, and through MCPS Alerts. We encourage you to take advantage of these services instead of calling the main office. Please discuss with your child changes to their regular dismissal routine, that may become necessary, if schools are closed early due to inclement weather. For more information, visit the [MCPS Webpage](http://www.mcps.org).

