

March 3, 2017

Greetings!

We would like to thank all staff, students, and parents who contributed to the WLMS Soul Food Feast last Friday evening. This was a wonderful event to bring our to celebrate our diversity and black history as a school community!

We are proud to share that WLMS Students collectively raising over \$4,500 for the American Heart Association through last week's "Hoops for Heart" fundraiser!

Congratulations to the following students whose projects were chosen by staff to represent WLMS at the "HCPSS National History Day Competition" on March 18th . . .

Individual Website

1. Sophia Leshchyshyn, *Taras Schevchenko*

Group Website

1. Alexander Nguyen and Robert Finegar, *The Danish Resistance*
2. Amanda Chin and Kristen Huang, Horace Mann and the Fight for Quality Education

Individual Exhibit

1. Elizabeth Cady Stanton, SaraRose LeFors
2. Harriet Tubman, Delaney Hammill

Group Exhibit

1. Summer Hughes and Abigail Churilla, *Billie Jean*
2. Akshita Alousyes and Gloria Yun, *Elizabeth Blackwell*

Group Performance

Nyah Lampasone and Gianna Johnson

Individual Documentary

1. Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Alexandra Nguyen
2. National Park Service, Alex Horn

TWO PARENT REMINDERS:

Student Absence Documentation

"When your student is absent, you can email our Guidance Secretary, ***ann_stout@hcpss.org***, or send in a note to be delivered to her stating the date and reason for the absence. The ***note*** is what excuses the absence."

Sign up NOW for March Parent Teacher Conferences:

The parent teacher conference window **closes on Monday, March 6 at 8AM**. Parent teacher conferences will take place this **Thursday, March 9 from 12:30 PM to 7PM** and **Friday, March 10 from 12:30 to 3PM**. We encourage all parents to take this opportunity to sign up and meet with your child's teachers. The home school connection is the best way to ensure your child's 3rd and 4th quarter success. [Parent Teacher Sign Up Link](#)

Hopefully you attended the PTSA MOD Pizza fundraiser in February. If you did, don't forget to use your coupon you received to donate an additional 20% to the WLMS PTSA. The coupon will expire on March 16.

Sincerely,

Anne Swartz, Lexi Couch, Denise Young, James McVey

Important Dates

Wednesday, March 8 – Third Quarter Interim Reports issued

Thursday, March 9 – 3 Hour Early Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences

Friday, March 10 – 3 Hour Early Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences

Friday, March 24 – GOTCHA Store

Tuesday, March 28 – Spring Student Pictures

Message from the Health Room

This is just a reminder that it appears Spring Allergy season has started early this year. If your student takes daily allergy medication for tree and grass allergies you may want to consider starting their medication at this time. We have been seeing many students who have already started having allergy symptoms (itchy - watery eyes, nasal congestion etc) and it would greatly benefit their ability to learn and fully participate in school activities without the bothersome symptoms of seasonal allergies.

Thank you very much and if you wish to have allergy mediation for breakthrough symptoms available at school please contact the health room at 410-313-6957 to make arrangements.

Engraved Bricks

Bricks - **200** Shark Bricks will surround the flagpole at our brand new Wilde Lake Middle School. Purchase a **Shark Brick and preserve their legacy. Shark bricks are \$65**. See the attached order form.

Atholton High School is holding dance auditions for the 17/18 school year for 8th graders interested in dance. See the attached flier for more information.

Community Notices

All Middle and High School students interested in

- Learning about Leadership and Service Opportunities
- Sharing the Student Voice on HCPSS Policy and Community Issues
- Gaining Leadership Skills
- Practicing Community Service
- Working with student leaders from across HCPSS

Please attend Howard County Association of Student Councils (HCASC) meetings. Next Meeting **Wednesday 3/8 7-8:30** at the Homewood Cafeteria 10914 MD 108 Columbia, 21042.

Come join your fellow student leaders and work together to make Many Students One Voice.

For more information please contact cindy_drummond@hcpss.org or visit <http://hcasc.hcpss.org/>

Girl Power

A STEM event for middle and high school aged girls will be held at the Kossiakoff Center of the APL. The event is free and will take place Sunday, March 12 from 2-5. See the attached flier for more details.