December 21, 2018

Greetings WLMS!

Kudos to Mr. Hrico, Ms. Dice, and our chorus and orchestra students for performing two terrific concerts for our school community this week!

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen by a selection committee made up of their peers and the principal to serve as a delegate and representative leader to the Convention of the Student Member of the Howard County Board of Education for 2019-2020.

Abisola Ayoola Maisi Ball Isaiah Williams Antonio Hardy - Alternate

The WLMS administration would like to wish you and yours a happy and safe holiday season. May your family enjoy some quality time together during the Winter Break. We are grateful to our school community for allowing us to serve and partner with you. We will see you in 2019!

Anne Swartz, James McVey, Denise Young

Important Dates:

Dec. 22 – Jan. 1 – Schools Closed for Winter Break

- Jan. 2 Schools Reopen "B Day"
- Jan. 10 Spelling Bee
- Jan. 15 Restaurant Fundraiser Shake Shack
- Jan. 16 6:30pm Middle School Information Night for Incoming 6th graders
- Jan. 18 Jazz Band Fieldtrip
- Jan. 21 Schools and Offices Closed Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Winter Meals on December 27-28: Please let your communities know that Free Winter Break Meals will be offered at two Howard County locations on Thursday, December 27 and Friday, December 28, 2018. Details can be found at <u>HCPSS News Post re Winter Meals</u>.

"Come show off your spelling skills at the annual spelling bee! The spelling bee will be on January 10th, 2019 at 7 pm in the Media Center. Study materials can be picked up from the media center or by going to <u>www.spellingbee.com</u>."

Important Information for 8th grade parents:

Current 8th grade parents: Please see below for upcoming high school information.

Wilde Lake HS:

Scheduling Night – January 8, 2018 at 6pm College and Career night- January 10, 2018 at 6pm The parent Q&A @ Haper's Choice- January 15, 2018 at 6:30pm (DMS, WLMS, HCMS families are invited)

Atholton HS:

Scheduling and Programs Night- January 7, 2018 at 6:30pm

• Registering for high school classes:

- High school course registration forms will be sent home on January 7th. Please review the teacher recommendations with your student.
 - If you would like to alter any recommendation, please do the following:
 - Contact your student's teacher with questions or concerns about the recommendation.
 - Fill out the reverse side of the registration form entitled "Course Placement Review" and return it to the guidance office by January 17th.
- Mr. Deyton will be coming to 8th grade science classes on January 9th and 10th to help students register online for these and other high school courses. All high school course registrations will be completed online
 - Please find the HCPSS High School Course Catalog <u>here</u>
- Once students have registered for courses, we invite parents to login to their HCPSS Connect account to review your student's classes. Please <u>click here</u> for video instructions on how to access the course registration.
 - An email from the high school will be sent mid-February with your student's current course selections.
- All registrations are due by January 17th

Please contact Mr. Deyton with any questions or concerns at 410-313-6960 or 410-313-6957.

Community News:

Please visit the Community News and Programs page at

<u>https://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/</u> for announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.