April 29, 2016

Greetings WLMS!

Our students have done a great job on ELA PARCC Testing this week. Each student will receive "A Golden Gotcha" for being ready and responsible and showing their best effort this week. Students will have the opportunity to use their new "Gotchas" during lunch next Monday and Tuesday towards early sign up for May 13th Activity Day options.

We have noticed an increase in the number of students who are not coming to the health room when they are feeling sick, and a parent is coming to school to pick up the student because they were notified via their student's cell phone. We have recently reviewed the expected procedure with all students. If students are not feeling well, they should notify their teacher, and the teacher will give them a pass to visit the health room to be checked. The health room will then contact parents as necessary and/or give students an opportunity to text home via their cell phone. Thank you for your support!

WLMS PARENTS! "Let's Get Social about Social Media" on May 10th. Dinner will be provided by the WLMS PTA!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS and join us on the evening of **Tuesday, May 10th** for the last PTA meeting, dinner, and a very important presentation for you & your middle school student(s). WLMS will welcome a law enforcement member of the Internet Crimes Against Taskforce to present to parents on **Social Media and Internet Safety Practices**. This presentation will be geared specifically to the middle school child. **#Lasting Impressions #Thinkb4upost**

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FLYER FOR RSVP INFORMATION!

Have a great weekend!

Anne Swartz, Pete Gaylord, Lexi Couch, Tiffanie Nunley

Important Dates:

- May 2 Outdoor Ed Chaperone Meeting
- May 3 Outdoor Ed Luggage Drop Off
- May 4-6 6th grade Outdoor Education
- May 6 7th grade Fieldtrip to Medieval Times
- May 9 Awards Ceremonies
- May 10 -12 PARCC Math Testing
- May 11 Orchestra Concert 6:00pm at WLHS
- May 12 8th grade Fieldtrip to Hippadrome
- May 12 4th Quarter Interim Reports Issued
- May 13 Field Day begins at 8:00am
- May 13 Activity Day begins at 1:30pm

Reminder to 6th grade parents: Next Wednesday is Outdoor Ed. We will leave WLMS by 9:30am. Students are not allowed to bring luggage on the bus. It can be brought with the students on Wednesday morning, or students can bring it in on Tuesday evening from 4:00-5:00. We will be leaving NorthBay around noon on Friday and we are expected to arrive by about 1:30. Parents will be allowed to check out their students at that time. We will let you know if there is a delay in the expected arrival time.

Reminder to Outdoor Ed parent chaperones: We will be meeting Monday evening at 6:00 for our training session.

Mrs. Jackie Vernon

2016 WLMS Enrichment Fair: May 24, 2016 6:30-8:00

The Enrichment Fair is a celebration of all the work students have done in seminars and classes throughout the year. Students will have presentations, displays, research investigations and dramatic readings, as well as a gallery walk that will showcase the many talents of WLMS students. Come out and see the amazing work by WLMS students!

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS OF CURRENT 6TH GRADE STUDENTS!!' In 2014 the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene issued a list of new immunization requirements for all 7th grade students in the state of Maryland. *Effective the first day of school for the 2016 - 2017 these additional vaccines will be required for your student to attend school:*

1 dose of Tdap Vaccine (tetanus, diptheria, pertussis) **1 dose of Meningococcal Vaccine**

Many students may have already received these immunizations, but the Health Room may not have the <u>updated</u> immunization record. Please contact your child's health care provider and send or fax an <u>updated</u> copy of your child's immunizations to the Health Room. The fax number at Wilde Lake Middle School Health Room is 410-730-3275.

If your student requires additional immunizations, parents should contact their health care provider **as soon as possible** to make an appointment for the student to receive the required vaccines. Please provide the school with an updated copy of your child's immunization record, (complete with the provider's signature) once vaccinations have been completed.

Failure to provide proof of updated immunizations or appointment date to receive the vaccine within 20 calendar days from the first day of school (August 29, 2016) could result in your student being excluded from school. If you have any questions, please contact the health room at 410-313-6957.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Heather Godwin CNA, Health Assistant

Atholton High School SPRING DANCE CONCERT

The annual spring dance concert is just around the corner! Come out and enjoy amazing dancing and great music. Performances will be Thursday, May 12th and Saturday, May 14th at 7pm. Tickets will be on sale at the door for \$8.00. Please come out and support our Atholton Dancers! If you have any questions please contact Mrs Haffey. <u>Heather_haffey@Hcpss.org</u>

Community Notices:

These events are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System.

Animal Welfare Society of Howard County

Animal Lovers Shopping Benefit (Community supported benefit and celebration) Sunday May 1, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Fulton Elementary School, 11600 Scaggsville Road, Fulton, MD.Tara Carbo, 443-677-2114 <u>tara@GoldPartyEvent.com</u> event link: <u>http://bit.ly/shopforpaws2</u>

The Southern Howard County Civic Association, Inc.

Invites community members to learn about resources available from the Howard County Multiservice Center. Help is available in obtaining f/=` cvb;' 450od, housing, clothing, and mental health services. The event will be held May 3, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the North Laurel Community Center, 9411 02. Whiskey Bottom Road, North Laurel, MD 20723. For more information, call 240-786-5747.

Howard County Government

Womenfest, a **FREE** Health & Wellness Event for Women, Sat., **Apr. 30**, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Gary J. Arthur Community Center at Glenwood, Cooksville. For more information about visit the event's website at <u>www.howardcountymd.gov/WomenFest</u> or call 410-313-5440.

Columbia Festival of the Arts

Deanna Bogart in Concert on Sat. **May 14**, 7 p.m., at Smith Theatre, Howard Community College, Columbia. Tickets are \$25 and available at <u>www.ColumbiaFestival.Org</u>

Food on the 15th

Volunteer opportunities for students. We collect, sort and deliver free non-perishable groceries directly to low-income Howard County senior citizens. To learn more about what we do, visit our website www.foodonthe15th.org.

Howard County Government

Please take this questionnaire to help determine Howard County's community needs, strengths and gaps for children and families. Your participation and voice are important to the Governor's Office for Children and the Howard County Local Children's Board. We want to hear from everyone. Thank you, in advance, for taking the time to complete this survey. http://strtigixconsulting.howard-county-family-youth.sgizmo.com/s3/

AFS

Host Families Sought for AFS Exchange Students: Next school year almost 20 exchange students will come from around the world to experience a life-changing year or cross-cultural sharing here in Howard County. If you are interested in more information, please contact Christina McGarvey at ckmcgarvey@yahoo.com or 410-997-7087.

Atholton Swim Club

Registration for Swim Lessons at Atholton Swim Club, **June 6**, <u>www.AtholtonSwimClub.com</u> .We offer small class sizes and follow the American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim curriculum. Lessons are conveniently offered in the mornings or evenings in 2 week long sessions.

College Park Tennis Club

Learn Tennis at the Premiere Tennis Center, **June 13** – **Aug. 19**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., College Park Tennis Club 5200 Paint Branch Parkway, College Park, MD. Our students will learn the sport of a lifetime, under the direction of our certified teaching staff. Center. tdelaney@cptennisclub.com, 301-779-8000, www.cptennisclub.com

Howard County Police Department

FREE overnight Youth Police Academy, **July 24-29**, Public Safety Training Center. It is for students between the ages of 15-18 years old who are interested in a law enforcement career. For more information, contact your School Resource Officer or check out the Howard County Police Department website at www.hcpd.org under Youth Programs.

Starthmore's Summer Intensive

Apply now for a select spot in Strathmore's Summer Intensive—part of our Institute for Artistic and Professional Development. This program will take place **July 11-15** and is designed to provide in-depth experience to outstanding high school instrumentalists as they consider a performing arts career. For more information <u>https://www.strathmore.org/education/artistic-development/summer-intensive</u>

AFS

Columbia Association is seeking host families for high school students from Columbia's new Sister City, Tema in Ghana (West Africa) from **July 15 to 31**, 2016. For a host family application and more information, please contact Laura Smit, Program Manager for International Exchange & Multicultural Programs at Laura.Smit@ColumbiaAssociation.org or 410-715-3162.

CAMPS

Elkridge Youth Organization

(EYO) is excited to offer another season of our tennis program. All activities are at Rockburn Branch Park in Elkridge. Go to <u>www.eyotennis.org</u>.

Soccer Association of Columbia

SAC Training Academy Summer Camps scheduled throughout the summer. Players of all abilities, ages 5 to 14. Both full and half days sessions are offered. SAC also offers extended care from 4-6 p.m., for an additional fee. Go to <u>www.sackick.com</u>. For more information, contact <u>asksac@sac-hc.org</u>.

CrossLife Church

Track and Field Camp, **June 20-June 24**, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Long Reach High School, 6101 Old Dobbin Ln, Columbia, MD. <u>http://crosslifeevents.org/</u>.

University of Maryland

SPICE Camp – Students with Potential and Interest, Considering Engineering, **June 27-July 1**. SPICE Camp is a week-long commuter program for young women who will be entering the 9th and 10th grade next fall and would like to learn more about engineering University of Maryland, College Park. Space is limited. The application deadline is March 31st. Scholarship opportunities will be made available once admittance decisions have been made. Bria Barry, 301-405-3283, bmcelroy@umd.edu, http://wie.umd.edu/k12/spice-camp

Bethany United Methodist Church

Surf Shack Vacation Bible School (VBS), **June 27-July 1**, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Bethany United Methodist Church, 2875 Bethany Lane, Ellicott City. For more information or to register, please visit: <u>http://cokesburyvbs.com/bethanyum</u>

Forest Hill Swim and Tennis Club

Looking for summer activities for your child? Forest Hill Swim and Tennis Club, located in Ellicott City, offers a variety of weekly tennis camps, as well as swim and dive lessons for children of all ages. For more information and to register, please visit <u>www.fhstc.com</u>

Howard County Conservancy

Full-day nature camps, **June 27-Aug. 19**, camps are located in Woodstock on our 232-acre nature center and at the Belmont in Elkridge <u>www.hcconservancy.org/camp.html</u>

University of Maryland

TerpsTalk, a new National Foreign Language Center Spanish and French Language summer camp for middle school students- at the University of Maryland. The Camp will take place **July 11- July 22**, 9 a.m. -3:30 p.m. <u>http://nflc.umd.edu/camps</u>

Center for Disease Control

The National Center for Health Statistics is excited to announce the 2016 Data Detectives Summer Camp, Aug. 15-19, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. Contact us at <u>datadetective@cdc.gov</u>.

University of Maryland

Stepping Stones to Your Future (SSTYF) summer camp. This week-long coed commuter camp is for rising 7th & 8th graders who are interested in learning more about engineering. Each day is filled with a variety of fun hands-on activities and engineering challenges. There are two weeks to choose from: Session 1 **July 18-22** or Session 2 **July 25-29**. To apply, we require an online form and a teacher recommendation from a current math or science teacher. For more information and to fill out the application, visit our website at http://wie.umd.edu/k12/sstyf. If you have any questions, contact Dawn Ginnetti at dginnett@umd.edu. 301-405-0315. **July 18-22**, (Session I) or **July 25-29**, 2016 (Session II)

Healing Deminsion Foundation Summer Study Skills Camp

Register now for the Healing Dimension Foundation's Stressless Tests Summer Study Skills Camps to be held the weeks of August 1 and 8. Middle School Classes meet from 9-11 a.m., and High School classes meet from 12-2 p.m., Mon.-Fri. To register for more information, go to www.Stresslesstest.org. Contact Betty Caldwell at <u>Bcaldwell202@gmail.com</u>

SPORTS

The Howard County Recreation and Parks

Volleyball classes and leagues for all ages and skill levels, for questions, please contact Carson Nickell at <u>cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov</u> or 410-313-4720. To register, call 410-313-7275. Sign up now to reserve your space.

Howard County Striders

Bullseye Running/HO CO Striders is now taking registration for two training programs Youth Track Team (competitive) and Youth Fitness Spring Training (non-competitive) http://www.bullseyerunning.com/youth/

SuperSquads

It's not too late for after school cheerleading with SuperSquads. Team practice is once a week and ends late April in 11 county schools. Please contact <u>supersquadsinfo@verizon.net</u> or 410-796-2244.