The ViewPoint
Mount View Middle School
May 13, 2016

Upcoming Dates

May 19

PTA Family Restaurant Night – La Trattoria Montese

May 20

No School for Students

May 24

G/T Fair, 6 PM

May 30

No School/Offices Closed

Principal's Corner

Good behavior can earn your child some desired privacy

Your child wants privacy. You want to give it to her. Still, you're the parent. If you see red flags in her behavior, it's your right to check her backpack or read a note she left lying out.

If she bristles at the thought, remind her that by following a few rules, she'll earn the right to more privacy. And you'll have less of a reason to snoop. Tell your child that you expect her to:

- **Respect others' privacy, too.** It's not okay for your child to demand privacy as she's rifling through mom's purse for lunch money.
- **Maintain good grades.** Working hard in school indicates maturity and focus two things that will put your mind at ease.
- **Clean her room.** The less it looks like a health hazard, the less you'll need to go in and straighten things up.
- **Communicate**. "Nothing" or "Fine" shouldn't be the answer to every question. She actually needs to talk about what happened in school today in complete sentences, with details. The more your child shares, the better. If she's too secretive, it will seem like she has something to hide.

- **Pick up her things.** If journals and backpacks are meant to be private, she shouldn't dump them on the couch.
- **Be smart about choosing friends.** The people she hangs out with are a reflection on her. If your child wants to demonstrate that she has good judgment, here's a place to start.

Source: Dr. Ruth Peters, Laying Down the Law

End-of-the-Year Variety Show

MV End-of-the-Year Variety Show will be June 15. Tryouts are scheduled for May 17,18 in the cafeteria from 2:30-4 PM. Permission slips are in the front office or by the Media Desk. See Mrs. Bollard for details.

Archery Intramurals

Archery Intramurals will begin on Monday, May 16. There will be two, five days sessions. Please sign up for only one session. Session one will be May 16, 18, 23, 25, 31. Session two will be June 1, 2, 3, 6, 7. The times will be 2:30-3:30, Rain or shine. If interested see Mr. Blum for a permission slip or visit the school web page.

Game Day Volunteers Needed!

On Wednesday, June 8th, students will be participating in a series of obstacle course field games during Related Arts classes. All of the games are based upon issues involving endangered animals. Parent volunteers will help reset the games, run a refreshments table, and track points for winning teams. Each grade will be playing at different times:

7th grade: 7:30-9:30 8th grade: 9:00-11:00 6th grade: 12:00-2:00

Can you help make this day a success? **We need 10 volunteers per grade**, and you are welcome to help with as many grades as you like! (Rain Date for the event is Friday, June 10th)

Please e-mail Susan Mako at susan_mako@hcpss.org to volunteer.

Did You Know? This day is the culminating project for several students in 6th grade G/T research. They have spent this year researching endangered animals and designing the games to raise awareness about the threats to endangered animals. **These 6th grade students will actually be running the event with help from our 8th**

grade leadership students (as well as staff and parent volunteers like YOU)! It's going to be a great event.

Please help these students bring their vision to life! Contact Mrs. Mako to volunteer!

From the Health Room:

Parents: If your child had medication in the health room this year, medication letter and forms were sent home with students today.

Medication remaining at the end of the school year should be picked up by the parent/guardian prior to/on the last day of school (June 17). Any medication not picked up will be discarded at 11:30 a.m. on the last day of school. If you are unable to pick up medication by 11:30 please contact the health room to make other arrangements.

PARCC Testing Dates

During the month of May, Mount View Middle will conduct PARCC testing. We are posting the testing schedule in advance so that families can plan ahead when scheduling appointments for your children. All testing will be conducted during the morning hours. Thank you for your support.

GRADE 8: ELA/May 5, 6, 9 **Math/May 23, 25, 26**

From the Student Services Office: Enrollment and Withdrawal Procedures

How do you enroll your child in Howard County Schools?

- 1. Please allow at least 2 weeks notice when enrolling your child. This allows time to request and receive your child's file from their previous school.
- 2. Call to make a registration appointment with our Student Services Office. The number is 410-313-5549.
- 3. Students must be registered by their legal guardian (biological, adoptive, legal guardian).
- 4. Parent must live in the actual school district in which student will be enrolled.
- 5. Parent must provide the following:
 - Parent picture ID
 - Signed, original lease or deed

- One of the following with parent's name and address on it: current telephone bill, current gas and electric bill, current cable bill
- Student's proof of birth (birth certificate, passport/visa, physician's certificate, birth registration, parent's affidavit)
- Proof of custody (divorce settlement, adoption papers, court papers)
- Student's current proof of immunization
- 6. If there are special circumstances that would prevent fulfillment of the above requirements, contact the school's Pupil Personnel Worker to help facilitate the registration.
- 7. If you are new to Howard County and were born outside the US and/or need ESOL services, contact the International Student Registration Center for assessment and registration at 410-313-1525 or 410-313-7102

How do you withdraw your child?

- 1. Please allow at least two weeks notice when withdrawing or transferring your child. This allows for the transfer of records.
- 2. Call student services to inform the office of your child's withdrawal or transfer. The number is 410-313-5549.
- 3. Parent must provide a written notice of withdrawal. Please include the following:
 - Name and grade of your child
 - Please state specifically that you are withdrawing your child
 - State the date of your child's withdrawal (last day)
 - Include your child's new school/location
 - Pleas give written permission to release your child's records to their new school
- 4. All records, including health records, will be forwarded to their new school. Please see the MVMS website for more information on the registration/withdrawal process. It can be found under "HCPSS Resources."

Marquee Sign Campaign

Several weeks ago, we sent home a letter with interims talking about our exciting plan to raise money for a new marquee sign. All the details are in the letter.

We are looking at all options to replace the sign as it is in disrepair after 23 years. The cost can vary between \$10,000 and \$20,000 depending

upon the sign size and style. We are currently working with a supplier to secure various quotes and to determine what is allowed under current County sign regulations.

We certainly do appreciate the partnership we have with our community and look forward to raising the funds together.

Tammy Goldeisen

PLEASE NOTE: NEW POLICY Forgotten Items

In an effort to decrease disruptions to classrooms during instructional time, the front office will no longer call students when "forgotten" items are brought into the front office. This includes homework, folders, gym uniforms, musical instruments, phones, etc. The only exceptions will be for eyeglasses and medication. Lunches brought to school for students will be labeled and brought to the lunchroom before each lunch shift.

Parent Volunteers:

Child Abuse and Neglect Training

All volunteers working with students in the school or on field trips must read an overview of MD State Law and HCPSS Policy 1030 regarding Child Abuse and Neglect. Please complete the course and return the certificate of completion to Jane Antico in the MVMS Front Office. Click here to access the training course.

Confidentiality Training Course

Thank you for your interest in volunteering within the Howard County School System! We value our volunteers and the contributions they make to our students and schools.

According to HCPSS Board Policy, all parent volunteers must complete a Confidentiality Training Course about protecting the privacy of our students, staff, and schools.

View the brief training presentation and print out a certificate of completion

PTA News

Family Restaurant Night at La Trattoria Montese

Thursday, May 19th!

Dine in or Carry Out - 11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Located at: Silo Building Center, 2470 Long Stone Lane ~ Marriottsville, MD 21104

Proceeds from this event will support the MVMS PTA Community Outreach efforts to help various programs, both local and international.

You *MUST* hand in a flier for our school to receive this percentage! Fliers will be sent home the day of the event or use this link to print a new one: http://mvmspta.yolasite.com/resources/Trattoria%20reminder%20mini%20flier%202016.pdf

The PTA Needs You!

Even though the snow days might have put us a little behind, the PTA is already starting to plan for next year and WE NEED YOU! We need some volunteers to spread the word not only at MVMS, but at our feeder schools that we have open committee positions for the 2016-2017 school year. We would also love to see more of current parents fill these positions. It's a great way to learn more about the PTA and meet other people in your school community. If you are interested in being part of the nominating committee, or joining a committee for next year, please email Shelley Tolle, shelleytolle@verizon.net, or Kathy Baur, kdbaur@gmail.com

Do you grocery shop at Harris Teeter? If so, please, please, PLEASE register your VIC card to MVMS #2942 so that MVMS will receive a percentage of your purchase. You can either do this online at www.harristeeter.com or ask your cashier to connect your VIC card. Also, we receive more money if you go through the Self Checkout line. If everyone from our school participates, we could earn a LOT of money to benefit your children at MVMS! Thanks so much.

Escrip Rewards: You're ONE CLICK away from supporting Mount View Middle School!

The online shopping you do is the ticket. It's easy! No cards to register and it can mean hundreds of dollars to us. Click this link: http://groups.escrip.com/jsp/mall.jsp?ref=g]?id=6540358 and check it out.

We appreciate your support.

MVMS Families – Earn money for our school by shopping at Giant, Harris Teeter, Martins, Target and Amazon! Here's how:

1) GIANT – Go to the website <u>www.giantfood.com/aplus</u> and register your bonus card. The MVMS School ID is #02996. (Giant has requested that customers register their own cards.)

- 2) MARTINS –Go to the website <u>www.martinsfoods.com/aplus</u> and register your bonus card. The MVMS School ID is #20219 (different than last year)
- 3) HARRIS TEETER Go to the website <u>www.harristeeter.com</u> and link your VIC card. The MVMS School ID is #2942. OR, simply give your card to a cashier when you're shopping there, and tell them to link your card to MVMS #2942.
- 4) TARGET Sign up for a Target REDCARD (debit or credit card) by going on the website www.target.com/redcard. The MVMS School ID is #58022.
- 5) AMAZON New this year...go to <u>www.smile.amazon.com</u>. You can sign up for MVMS to receive .5% of your purchases.

Thank you to all of you who support MVMS. Every dollar helps!!

Soon to be a freshman at The Ridge? Get ready and get your spirit wear now. We have new sweatshirts in stock and you can buy them online or at that Hitching Post!

Our online website is: www.tinyurl.com/mrhsstore

Our store is open everyday from 10:30am-12:00pm and 2:00pm-3:00pm. We are located in The Commons

We carry sweatshirts, T-shirts, sweatpants, pajama pants and so much more.

Show your Mustang pride and get your spirit wear today!

MRHS SPRING DANCE CONCERT BABY I'M A STAR!

an evening of student choreographed works

Friday May 13

7 pm

At door tickets \$8

Pre-Sale Tickets \$6 when purchased from MRHS 5/11-5/13

Early birds sign up now!! Join in the fun at Marriotts Ridge!!!

Registration is now open for the Marriotts Ridge Booster summer sports and music camps. For a complete list and registration information, check out the website: http://www.mrhs-

boosters.com/summer-camps

Register now, early registration until May 15, 2016

Marriotts Ridge Boys Basketball Camp 2016

Please join us for the annual Marriotts Ridge Mustangs boys basketball camp on June 20-24 from 9am-12pm. Meet the coaches, compete in full court tournaments, skill development, 3-point contests, skills competition and more!

To register please visit: http://www.mrhs-boosters.com/summer-camps

Coach Brady: timothy brady@hcpss.org

MVMS Website

The MVMS website is updated regularly! Visit http://mvms.hcpss.org and bookmark for future reference.

Follow us on Twitter! @hcpss_mvms

Community Information

The following announcements have been approved by the Public Information Office for school newsletters and distribution. These events are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System.

The Glenwood Branch of Howard County Library is currently accepting applications students ages 13+ for Summer Reading Volunteers. This is a great opportunity to work with our staff and the community to encourage and promote literacy.

Any student who is interested must apply online http://hclibrary.org/support-us/welcome-volunteer-spelication/

Please share this link with any student who may be in need of service hours or who you think may enjoy volunteering at the library this summer. Let me know if you have any questions.

Ghostbusters: The Original Movie

Watch the original movie (rated PG) and make a craft with marshmallows. Refreshments.

Ages 9 & up, families welcome.

Sat, May 21st, 2:30 – 4:30 pm Register: http://goo.gl/zDt0HM

Celestial Searchers Young Astronomers Club

Local astronomy educator Dr. Joel Goodman discusses our solar system and beyond with hands-on activities.

Learn why comets are "dirty snowballs," build a comet, and complete a take home arts and crafts project.

Grades Kindergarten - 8; with adult; 60 min.

Mon, May 23rd, 7 - 8 pm

Join Us Every Month

Lego® Challenge

Sat, May 7th 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Teen Advisory Board (with snacks!)

Tue, May 10th 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Knit 'n Chat Teen Knitting Group

Fri, May 13th & May 27th 3:30 – 5:00 pm Tue, May 17th 6:45 – 8:15 pm

Neighbor Ride

Basket BINGO, Sat., **May 14**, the donations are rolling in and Neighbor Ride is putting together some really amazing prize baskets. Doors open at 6 p.m., games begin at 7 p.m., FOP Lodge #69 2832 Nine Mile Circle Catonsville. Tickets are \$20 in advance / \$25 at the door. Folks can get them now by visiting www.neighborride.org or by sending a check, made payable to Neighbor Ride, to 5570 Sterrett Place, Suite 102 - Columbia, MD 21044.

HopeWorks'

Youth Leadership Project is now accepting applications for 2016/17 School Year. HopeWorks' Youth Leadership Project, open to boys and girls, age 13 – 18. Visit the HopeWorks website to download the application or call (410) 997 -0304.

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 www.ColumbiaFestival.Org

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 https://www.strathmore.org/education/artistic-development/summer-intensive

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

Howard County Arts Council

Visual and Performing Arts Summer Camps, **June 20 - Aug. 12**, Howard County Center for the Arts, 8510 High Ridge Road, Ellicott City, MD. For more information, visit www.hocoarts.org/shop/camps or contact Katie Wofford at 410-313-2787 or programs@hocoarts.org.

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 www.eyotennis.org.

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 www.sackick.com. For more information, contact asksac@sac-hc.org.

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. http://crosslifeevents.org/.

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: http://cokesburyvbs.com/bethanyum

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 www.fhstc.com

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 www.hcconservancy.org/camp.html

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. http://nflc.umd.edu/camps

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 Bcaldwell202@gmail.com.

SPORTS

The Howard County Recreation and Parks

Volleyball classes and leagues for all ages and skill levels, for questions, please contact Carson Nickell at cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov 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 supersquadsinfo@verizon.net or 410-796-2244.



HAS FUN WAYS TO HELP US EARN

Support

All summer long when you...

Buy groceries, dine out, shop online, give gift cards, book travel and more!



- Dining Rewards restaurants and some grocers use credit or debit cards to track your purchases so register the cards you use every day to earn!
- ★ Add cards at escrip.com/addmorecards
- ¥ Find places to shop at escrip.com/wheretoearn



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