

# COUGAR NEWS

## UPCOMING DATES:

<b>Sept 19</b>	<b>Schools and offices closed (Yom Kippur)</b>
Sept 25	Picture Day/Back to School Night for grades K-2 from 6pm-7pm
Sept 26	Back to School Night for grades 3-5 from 6pm-7pm GT Back to School Night from 7pm-7:45pm
Oct 2	Flu Clinic
<b>Oct 3</b>	<b>Schools Close 3 hours early</b>
Oct 10	National Walk to School Day
Oct 9	Interim Progress Reports issued
Oct 11	Vision and Hearing Screening
<b>Oct 19</b>	<b>Schools closed – Professional Work Day</b>
Oct 25	Vision and Hearing Re-Screening



**WELCOME BACK  
TO SCHOOL**

## Cougar Club Dates:

Each month students that meet the Cougar ROAR expectations for the whole month earn time for Cougar Club. Some Cougar Club activities are extra recess, making a craft, playing board games, extra computer time, etc. Congratulations to all our Cougar Club classes!

Sept 27	3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> grade
Sept 28	Kindergarten and 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade
Oct 1	1 <sup>st</sup> grade
Oct 5	5 <sup>th</sup> grade



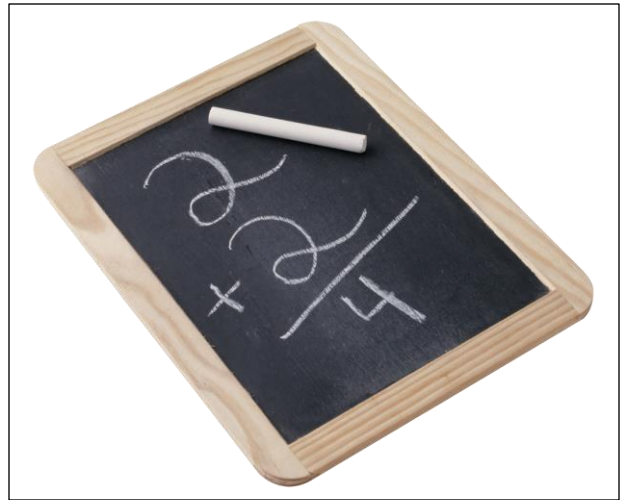
## FROM THE HEALTH ROOM...

**OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup> - FLU CLINIC**

**OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup> - VISION & HEARING SCREENING**



## From the Principal's Den...



Dear Clarksville Families,

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year!! It was so great to meet so many of you at our Open House and September PTA meeting. We had a great turn out for both and I share your enthusiasm and excitement for a new and exciting school year. As our students arrived to school for the first day last week, I couldn't help but think about the uniqueness and individuality that each of them bring to our school. They are the fabric of what makes this school so fantastic and full of life. I want to personally thank each of you for sharing in your children's lives and taking the time to build a relationship between the home and the school. We are off to a great start!

I want to give a big Cougar roar out to our PTA for their welcome back lunch for our staff during teacher week as well as many other helpful contributions they have given to our school as we prepared for our first week back to school. Our PTA does so many fabulous things for our staff and students at Clarksville ES, and Clarksville wouldn't be the amazing place without their leadership and without so many families supporting the PTA. So, if you haven't done so yet, please be sure to join the PTA. We encourage you to be active participants in your child's educational journey.

We look forward to working with you, your children, and the staff as we begin a year of academic success for every child at Clarksville ES. Thank you for sharing your children with us. It is our honor to work with them each and every day. Cougars Rule!

Warm Regards,

Robin Malcotti

Principal

## Recycling Ink & Toner

We can recycle your ink or toner while helping to earn money for Clarksville's technology supplies at the same time! They can be new or used, expired or in-date, from your home or your office.... We take it all! This recycling effort is on-going, so you can send them anytime throughout the school year. Please label them “**for Mrs. Volker**”. Thank you for going green!

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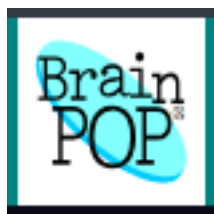
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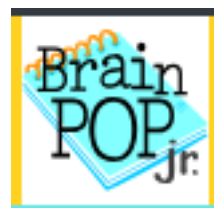


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## BrainPOP & BrainPOP Jr.



<https://www.brainpop.com/>



<https://jr.brainpop.com>

**Thanks to our wonderful PTA**, Clarksville now has a school-wide subscription to BrainPOP and BrainPOP Jr! These resources offer cross-curricular animated movies, learning games, interactive quizzes, primary source activities, and a breadth of additional resources.

Teachers will be using BrainPOP and/or BrainPOP Jr. with students in school, but your child can access them at home too! To log-in, students go to: <https://hcpss.me> They click on **MackinVIA** & log-in with their HCPSS Active Directory username & password. Then, in the left menu, students click on **Databases** and voila! ...BrainPOP and BrainPOP Jr. are the first two databases listed!

P.S. If your child is a Kindergartener or new to HCPSS, he/she may not have their HCPSS Active Directory username & password memorized just yet. Give them a few weeks to learn it or email Mrs. Volker at [Eileen\\_Volker@hcpss.org](mailto:Eileen_Volker@hcpss.org) & she'll be happy to email it to you.



### Maryland Continues Commitment to 'Every Kid in a Park

#### *Fourth Year of Providing Fourth-Graders with Free Park Admission*

The [Maryland Department of Natural Resources](#) is once again partnering with the U.S. Department of the Interior's [Every Kid in a Park](#) program to provide fourth-grade children and their family free admission to national public lands and state parks.



This marks the fourth year the [Maryland Park Service](#) will honor the federal passes, valid through Aug. 31, 2019, at all 75 state parks. The passes are also valid at 16 national parks, six national natural landmarks, five national wildlife refuges and two federal heritage areas in Maryland.

"Maryland is strongly committed to connecting, cultivating and nurturing the next generation of environmental advocates, stewards and supporters," said Maryland Natural Resources Secretary Mark Belton. "Maryland offers a great array of public lands where visitors can experience nature as well as cultural and historical landmarks. As living classrooms, these outdoor spaces provide hands-on opportunities to develop critical skills and understanding of our natural world."

The goal of the Every Kid in a Park program is to increase access to public lands and facilities for children at an impressionable age – primarily 9-11 years old – and ignite their curiosity, interest and love for the great outdoors. The program offers teachers resources for planning field trips, including free access for classes and eligibility for federal transportation funding. The Maryland Department of Natural Resources also offers [educational resources for teachers](#).

The Every Kid in a Park pass covers admission, but does not cover amenities and services, such as boat rentals, camping or staff-led tours. To print a pass for this year, please visit the [Every Kid in a Park website](#).



**OCTOBER 10, 2018**

**Join Children and adults around the world to celebrate the benefits of walking and bicycling!**

**International Walk to School Day is a global event that involves communities from more than 40 countries walking and biking to school on the same day. It began in 1997 and as a one-day event. Over time, this event has become part of a movement for year-round safe routes to school and a celebration – with record breaking participation- each October.**

**Today, thousands of schools across America – from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico – participate every October.**

**Please join us at the River Hill High School blacktop at 8:50am for some stretching, cheering and picture taking. Then we will head up to school as a GREEN community. Hope to see you there!**





### The Haunted Experience

Whether you choose fright or fun, a memorable experience awaits you... an ink black night sets the stage for a spooky hay ride through the eerie trails to the ghostly dwelling deep in the woods. Hear haunting tales of ghosts and goblins and horror that will tingle the spine!

\$10 at gate (*cash only*)

7 yrs. + Rockburn Branch Pk (Montgomery Rd)

Oct 19 & 26 7-10pm Friday

Oct 20 & 27 6:30-10pm Saturday

***Inclement Weather: 410-313-4451***

### Happy Haunted Hayride

It's cute, it's friendly and not so scary. This hayride is for fun – not fright!

\$5 at gate (*cash only*)

2-7 yrs. + Rockburn Branch Pk (Montgomery Rd)

Oct 21 & 28 2-4pm Sunday

***Inclement Weather: 410-313-4451***