

Cougar News

April 5, 2017 Issue

Upcoming dates:

April 5	3 rd Grade Music Night, 7:00pm
April 6	Young Author's Tea
April 19	Puppet Show
April 20	5 th Grade Field Trip; Philadelphia
April 20	2 nd Grade Bread Make; CES Cafeteria
April 21	Earth Day Celebration
April 26	Grade 1 Field Trip; Golden Acrobats at Goucher College
April 27	Hearing and Vision Screening
May 2	Hearing and Vision Re-screening
May 3	CES Cougar Day @ Riverhill High School
May 4	3 rd Grade Field Trip; Howard County Conservancy
May 5	4 th Grade Field Trip; Historic Londontown
May 10	5 th Grade Spring Concert, 7:00pm
May 12	2 nd Grade Field Trip; Howard County Conservancy
May 18	CES Field Day
May 23	4 th Grade Spring Concert, 7:00pm
May 23	5 th Grade visits Clarksville Middle School
May 24	K Field Trip; Baltimore Zoo
May 24	5 th Grade Panoramic Photo

Upcoming Testing dates:

It is very important for all students to be tested. If possible, please plan appointments around testing dates/times.

Grade 3 PARCC ELA	April 26 th , 27 th , 28 th (9:30am-11:30am)
PARCC Math	May 8 th , 9 th , 11 th , 12 th (9:30am-11:30)
Grade 4 PARCC ELA	April 26 th , 27 th , 28 th (1:20pm-3:45pm)
PARCC Math	May 8 th , 9 th , 11 th , 12 th (1:20pm-3:45)
Grade 5 PARCC Math	May 1 st , 2 nd , 4 th , 5 th (9:30am-11:30pm)
PARCC ELA	May 15 th , 16 th , 17 th (9:30am-11:30am)

Cougar Club Dates:

Each month students that meet the Cougar expectations the whole month can participate in the Cougar Club. Some activities are extra recess, making a craft, playing board games, and extra computer time.

April 7 th	Grade 5
April 24 th	Grade 2
April 27 th	Grade 4
April 28 th	Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 3
May 26 th	Grade 1, Grade 3
May 30 th	Grade 2
June 2 nd	Kindergarten

Upcoming SLT Dates: We're having a great year thanks in part to our SLT members. Students should report to the Media center on the dates listed below by 8:30am. Thanks for your support.

April 20th 8:30am

From the Principal's Den

The Home Stretch!!

Dear Clarksville Parents and Families,

Spring is here and with it brings many fun, exciting events for our Clarksville Cougar cubs!

We would like to thank all of our fabulous CES parent community who contributed their time and talent to our annual International night. What a wonderful, exciting display of our diverse school community! A special thanks goes out to our Clarksville PTA sponsors who put tireless time and effort into making this event so special for our school. Also, a huge round of applause for our CES students who showcased their talent and ability for the performance portion of the evening. Way to go!!! We are so proud of your accomplishments.

We also want to thank our CES students for their helpful contribution of bag lunches to the Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center in Columbia, MD. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and generous hearts.

Also, we want to thank our entire CES school community for their contributions and support for our annual Scholastic Book Fair. Your generosity and time never goes unnoticed. Thank you for supporting the love of reading!

We also had our Family Fitness Night this past month. Thanks for coming out and supporting our students' health goals and education. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

This is also the time of the year when schools receive their staffing allocations for the following school year. It is important for us to know if your child is returning to Clarksville next year so we can provide the appropriate number classes and teachers. Please be sure to contact our CES office staff to complete any necessary paperwork.

Enjoy the beautiful sights and sounds of spring! As always, thank you for your continued support.

Best Regards,

Mrs. Malcotti

Important Matter...

We would like to bring a serious concern to your attention. Several CES students have been caught making trading and selling slime throughout the instructional day. Slime is not permissible at school or on our school buses. Please be sure to discuss this concern with your children.

Students' Work in Technology Class:

Often in Technology class, we do not print out our work, because everything is saved & stored electronically. #GoGreen! However, Mrs. Volker wants parents to know what we've been learning. Please visit: <https://hcpss.me> and ask your child to log into an App that we've been using in class (such as Canvas, GAFE, or Wixie) & show you what we've been covering! Also, be on the lookout for periodic Canvas announcements from Mrs. Volker, to stay informed. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Volker: Eileen_Volker@hcpss.org

The screenshot shows the Howard County Public School System website. At the top left is the logo and the text "Howard County Public School System". Below this is a navigation bar with "hcpss.me" and "Instructional Apps". The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Digital Citizenship Pledge:** A box containing a pledge and four bullet points:
 - Respect myself and others: civility • integrity • vigilance
 - Use the digital tools provided to educate myself and others: collaborate • communicate • create • think critically
 - Protect myself and others: passwords • privacy • copyright
 - Follow all guidelines outlined in Policy 8080: Responsible Use of Technology and Social Media
- Canvas Learning Management:** Represented by a red circular logo.
- Synergy Student Information:** Represented by a blue and purple diamond logo.
- Google Apps for Education:** Represented by a colorful circular logo.
- Office 365:** Represented by a red square logo.
- MackinVIA:** Represented by a colorful starburst logo.
- Wixie:** Represented by a colorful hand logo.
- PAC Public Access Catalog:** Represented by a blue circular logo with a computer monitor.
- HC Library:** Represented by a blue circular logo with the letters "Hi".
- ePortfolio:** Represented by a green leaf logo.
- More Apps:** Represented by a blue square logo with a white "C".

Lost and Found

We have many items in the Lost and Found. If your student has lost something (coats, hats, gloves, etc...), please have them check out our Lost and Found located in the cafeteria.

Kindergarten and New to CES 1st Grade Registration

If you missed our registration week, you can still register your kindergarten student or new to our school 1st grade students. We accept walk in registration from 11:00am–2:00pm M-F or you can call our front office to set up an appointment (410-313-7050).

Please visit the Howard County Public School System webpage for more information.
<http://www.hcpss.org/schools/kindergarten-registration/>

CES Cougar Day

One of Clarksville Elementary School's favorite events is fast approaching. **Cougar Day will be Wednesday, May 3rd.** Students will be running on an early dismissal schedule so that everyone from the whole school can walk over to River Hill High School. Our students will be amazed by all the cool things high school students do. They'll be doing everything from meeting Hawkeye their mascot to hearing the band play a tune or two.

Be on the look out as **permission slips will be going home on Tuesday, April 18th.** It is sure to be a terrific day, so make sure to ask your student their favorite High School activity.

Go Cougars!!

From the Media Center:

The Media Center wants to send out thanks to all the students and parents for their great support for the Book Fair! Additionally, a special thanks to our wonderful PTA for hosting Bingo Night, and sending out the volunteer sign-up.

It was very successful again this year due to all the generous parents and your students who love to read!

From the Health Room:

Parents of Kindergarten and 1st graders,
Please check that the clothing your child has at school is weather and size appropriate clothing. Having those little mishaps can be embarrassing enough.

Hearing and Vision screening: The screening will be April 27th. This screening will be for all Kindergarten, 1st grade and new students to Maryland schools. If your child wears

hearing or vision aids (glasses or hearing aid) please be sure that he/she has them on the day of screening. Volunteers are needed. Please email Ms. Mathis at denise_mathis@hcpss.org if you can help.

All parents:

Just a reminder students need to remain home when they have had a fever, diarrhea, vomiting, and other possibly communicable illnesses. Students must remain fever free for 24 hours WITHOUT fever reducing medications (Advil, Motrin, Tylenol).

Absences and Afternoon Dismissals

Please remember to send in a note when your student returns after an absence so we can record their absence as excused. Additionally please send in a note or email your teacher if there is going to be a change in your student’s afternoon dismissal. This information is very important to ensure your student gets home safely.

School Supplies

Parents, we have reached the halfway point of the school year and about this time, pencils and glue sticks have been used up. Example: Third grade really needs GLUESTICKS. Please check with your student to see if they need additional supplies. Thank you for making sure your students have the tools they need to succeed in school.

Field Trip Planner for 2016-2017

Below is a *current* summary of planned field trips and details about those trips. Additional field trips will be added as approved. Please note that in an attempt to minimize the financial impact, the permission slip and money may be due long before the trip occurs.

GRADE	TRIP TO	TRIP DATE	COST
2	Breakmake	April 20	\$8.75
5	Philadelphia	April 20	\$68.75
1	Goucher College	April 26	\$22.75
3	Howard County Conservancy	May 4	\$10.00
4	Historic London Town	May 5	\$18.75
2	Howard County Conservancy	May 12	\$11.00
Multiple grades	Cougar Day @ River Hill High School	May 3	TBD

From around the community...

River Hill Boosters Summer Sports Camps

The River Hill High School Boosters are sponsoring summer camps at River Hill High School. The camps are designed to help young athletes improve their fundamental athletic skills. Weekly camps begin June 12th from 4pm – 7pm and June 19th to August 4th from 9am - noon or 1pm – 4pm. Over twenty different camps are offered this summer, including football, soccer, baseball, softball, lacrosse, field hockey, volleyball, basketball, cross country, track & field, cheerleading, weight training, wrestling, and a youth sports camp. Camp forms are available in the main office at River Hill High School, at www.riverhill.org, or call 410-313-7120 for more information.