

Cougar News

May 18, 2016 Issue

Upcoming dates:

May 19	Field Day
May 20	School Closed for Students
May 23	Enrichment Fair
May 24	5 th Grade visits Clarksville Middle School
May 24	4 th Grade Spring Concert 7pm
May 25	SLT Meeting 8:30am
May 27	3 rd Grade Young Author's Tea 2:45pm
May 30	Schools Closed for Memorial Day
June 2	CES Reflections Celebration, 7:00pm
June 3	2 nd Grade Young Author's Tea, 2:30pm
June 7	SLT School Spirit Day - Backwards Day
June 8	Volunteer Celebration, 2:00pm-3:00pm
June 9	Congressional Hearing - 5 th Grade
June 10	4 th Grade Young Author's Tea
June 13	Kindergarten Reflection Program, 2:45pm
June 14	5 th Grade Moving Up Ceremony, RHHS 9:45am
June 14	5 th Grade Picnic, 11:30am at Cedar Lane Park
June 14	Airplane Launch, 2:30pm
June 15	Award Ceremony/Move Up Day
June 16	Schools Dismiss 3 hrs early
June 17	Last Day of School - Schools Dismiss 3hrs early

Upcoming Testing dates:

It is very important for all students to be tested. Make sure your student gets a good night sleep and has a good breakfast the morning of test days. If possible, please plan appointments around testing dates/times.

Grade 3 PARCC

May 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th (11:45am - 1:45pm)

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.

May 26	Grade 5
May 27	Grade 1
May 27	Grade 4
May 31	Grade 2
May 31	Grade 3
June 3	Kindergarten

Young Author Tea Dates:

Parents are encouraged to come listen to their child's story, see the illustrations they've been working on and enjoy tea and a snack.

May 27	2:45pm	Grade 3
June 3	2:30pm	Grade 2
June 10	2:30pm	Grade 4

SLT News:

SLT members are busy making school more fun. They came up with a few more spirit days for this school year.

May 17th Stuffed Animal Day
June 7th Backwards Day

Thanks for showing your spirit. Go Cougars!!

Last Day of School is Friday, June 17

The Maryland State Department of Education has approved our request to waive one inclement weather day for the current academic year. The last day of school for students and teachers will be Friday, June 17, 2016.

High schools will close 3 hours early on June 15. **All schools will close 3 hours early on June 16-17, and no half-day pre-K or RECC will be held on those two days.**

From the Health Room:

All medications must be picked up from the health room during the last week of school. Medications not picked up by 1:00pm on June 17th will be discarded on that day. Please call the health room if you have any questions 410 313-7107.

Moving over the summer?

If you will be moving over the summer, we need to know as soon as possible and prior to the first day of school for the 2016/2017 school year. You will need to fill out a Change of Address form and provide residency documentation so we can update your student's file records and their records in Synergy.

Field Day
May 19th



Mark your calendars- Field Day is Thursday, May 19th from 10-3:15. Rain date is Friday, May 27th from 10-3:15. We want to thank all those parents that have signed up to volunteer. We look forward to seeing everyone.

On behalf of Clarksville Middle School, they would like Clarksville Elementary School to join them:

Come Visit the CMS Enrichment Fair

May 19th- 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Entire Clarksville Middle School

Come visit the CMS Enrichment Fair where we showcase the great work from many different classes and G/T seminars. If you are coming to CMS next year, get a sneak preview of some of the great experiences you will have.

- Come experience a live debate from our debate teams.
- Try-out our engineering projects.
- View and learn from our state finalist Science Olympiad team and considering joining next year.

- Participate in a student run Academic Bowl and consider joining our Academic Competition Team.
- Learn about our Green School and compost program
- Tour the school via Minecraft
- Educate yourself on Fishery Sciences
- Read our amazing 6th grade G/T research projects
- Create your own Thermal Protection System
- Tour the CMS History Museum and illustrated world timeline
- Participate in a min-Spanish lesson
- Visit and contribute to our book drive for diverse books
- Star in our TV Show
- And much more!

If you have any questions- Please contact Mr. Herdman ~
 philip_herdman@hcpss.org

4th Annual HoCo STEM Festival: Sunday, June 5, 2016 from 1:00-5:00pm, Howard Community College, 6101 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia, MD 21044. For more information, [click here](#).

SUMMER WORKBOOKS

Prevent summer learning loss!

Research shows that on average children can lose 2.6 months of grade-level equivalency skills over their summer vacation. By using Summer Bridge Activities, students enter school in the fall prepared and confident. The CES PTA is once again pleased to offer the award-winning Summer Bridge Activities workbook series through our Summer Enrichment Book program.

This year, just like last, the order is placed via the Direct-to Home program. The workbooks typically deliver within a few days at a total cost of \$11.99 which also covers shipping - you must use the school discount code "CES" to obtain this discount.

To order your child's workbook:

Order online: Parents will visit the dedicated ordering website for this option www.SummerBridgeDirect.com . Your school's code to be entered in the shopping cart is "CES". The books will be shipped directly to your home. Most orders ship within 24 hours and parents will receive a confirmation email from the Summer Bridge Program with post office tracking #'s.

To choose the appropriate level: The Book title includes the "current-future" grade level. (Example: Level K-1 is for a current Kindergarten student entering 1st grade next year.) You should order the "current - next" grade level for your student. In the past some parents have chosen to order two grade level books- the entering grade and the grade ahead as per their personal preference knowing the needs of their child. If you have any questions, please contact Swati Goel at swati.36goel@gmail.com and include "Summer Workbook Order" in the subject headline of your e-mail.

“Community Notices”

The events listed below are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System. They are being provided as a community service.

The G/T Summer Institutes for Talent Development is extending its registration deadline to **May 20th**. Don't miss out on this opportunity for your child to engage in these fabulous enrichment opportunities. Visit <http://www.hcpss.org/summer-programs> for the full course catalog and class enrollment availability.

You could also send out the following tweet to your school, if that is an option:
Don't miss great opportunities @HCPSS GT Summer Institutes! Catalog & enrollment availability at <http://www.hcpss.org/summer-programs/>. **Deadline Friday!**

SUMMER READING KICKOFF: Read & win prizes when you join a Howard County Library System summer reading club. For details and to enroll, visit hclibrary.org/summerreading.

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 13th from 4pm – 7pm and June 20th to August 5th 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 dance. For the first time, we are also offering a Youth Sports camp for 5-10 year olds. 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.

Summer Sports Camps at AHS

Get ready for Fall Try Outs. Check out the fantastic list of sports camps being offered this summer. Tuition for each camp will be \$135. Tuition includes a Raider t-shirt, individual skills testing, specialized instruction from qualified staff members, guest speakers, and daily awards. For more information please contact: Lisa Daciek 410-313-7065 or lisa_daciek@hcpss.org

Camp Schedule, Information, and Online Registration

<http://www.atholtonboosters.org/athletics/boosters/fundraising/summer-camps>

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

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.