

OWL OBSERVER NEWS- June 4th, 2021

Important Dates to Remember

- June 8th - Band & Orchestra VIRTUAL Concert - See info below
- June 9th - RECC End of Year VIRTUAL Celebration, 9:30 - 10:00am morning classes and 11:30 - 12:00pm afternoon classes
- June 10th, 11th, 14th, and 15th - 3 hour early dismissal for all elementary students (12:40pm)
- June 11th - Kindergarten VIRTUAL Celebration - See info below
- June 15th - Fifth Grade Moving-On Celebration, 9:30-11:30am - See info below
- June 15th - Last day of school for students

A Message from Administration

Dear Families,

We are excited to celebrate our orchestra and band students next week in their virtual concert. The talent of our students in this community is boundless and it is always a joy to see them perform.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs. Balter and Mrs. Madden

Kindergarten Registration

Children must be 5 years old by September 1, 2021. Registration will take place on-line.

Please make certain you are on the screen for 21-22 if registering for the next school year.

Step 1: Register Online Here: <https://www.hcpss.org/enroll/>

It is recommended that you work on a laptop or desktop to complete registration. Cell phone registration is not recommended.

Step 2: Complete registration online by providing the documents listed below. The registration process is easier if you upload them during online registration. Otherwise, you will be asked to submit them via email as pdfs. Iphone users can scan documents through your notes app. (Images must be clear.)

The following documents are needed for registration:

- Child's evidence of birth and Parental Relationship (ie: birth certificate, baptismal certificate)
- An authorized record of immunizations
- Proof of residency in the form of a signed lease or deed including signature pages
- Current utility bill
- Photo ID of enrolling parent/guardian
- Proof of custody (if applicable)

Please contact Carmen Lynette, DLES Registrar, at 410-313-5050 or carmen_lynette@hcpss.org with any questions.

Band & Orchestra Information

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR BAND & ORCHESTRA FAMILIES

DLES VIRTUAL SPRING "CONCERT"

Please join us on GOOGLE MEET on Tuesday, June 8 at 6:30pm for our Virtual Concert presentation. Students and families should attend together.

Our Band and Orchestra students have been working hard all year long and they are excited to show off their progress in a fun format.

Google Meet Code: DLEsconcert

Note: You must log into the Google Meet with your student's account.

INSTRUMENT DROP-OFF

If your student has been borrowing an instrument from DLES, it will need to be returned to school before the end of the school year. If your child is attending school in-person, they can bring their instrument to the Band/Orchestra room during the week of June 7.

We will also have two Instrument Drop-Off days when you can bring your child's instrument to school. Please drive into the Bus Loop in the back of the school and follow the signs to the Band/Orchestra room. Please do NOT attempt to drop off an instrument in the front office. If you are not able to bring the instrument to school during this time, please contact Mrs. McKay to arrange another time.

INSTRUMENT DROP-OFF DATES

Monday, June 7 – 9:15am-3:00pm

Tuesday, June 8 – 9:15am-3:00pm

Please let us know if you have any questions!

Mrs. Amanda McKay amanda_mckay@hcpss.org

Ms. Maggie Mellott maggie_mellott@hcpss.org

Kindergarten End of Year Celebration June 11!

Hear students share their favorite part of kindergarten and receive an award!

If your child is in school that day, you can join their class Google Meet using your child's log in and password to watch our celebration!

Please view the chart below to see what time your child's class is celebrating!

June 11, 2021

Teacher	Time	Google Meet Code
Sneeringer	11am	DlesSneer
Shull	9:30am	DLES-HShull-K
Sauter	11am	DLES-Ssauter-K
Esposito	9:30am	DLESespo
Nupp	9:30am	DlesNupp
Passarello	11am	DLES-Gpassarello-K

5th Grade Promotion Parade June 15!



Students and families are invited to participate in a drive-thru promotion parade around the DLES bus loop at their designated time. Cars will briefly stop at 5 different stations during the parade. Students will receive their promotion certificate, class t-shirt, yearbook and a couple of other special surprises!

9:30-10:00 Mr. Gierasch & Mrs. Abramson's Homerooms
10:00-10:30 Mrs. Holdridge & Mrs. Abramson's Homerooms
10:30-11:00 Miss Proctor & Mrs. Abramson's Homerooms
11:00-11:30 Mrs. Sillers & Mrs. Abramson's Homerooms

To abide by social distancing guidelines, families should remain in their cars at all times. DLES staff will be taking pictures of each student with their teacher and pictures will be individually emailed out.

Healthy Tips from the Health Room

Will your student need a medication while at school for the 2021-22 school year? Any medication including prescription, over the counter, or herbal medications require an order from an approved health care provider (this includes epi pens, inhalers, etc). The medication from must be completed on or after July 1st 2021 to be valid. Feel free to contact the health room for questions.

Click here for HCPSS medication policy and procedures:

<https://www.hcpss.org/health/medications/>

Contact diann_rocha@hcpss.org (school nurse) or alicia_fleischer@hcpss.org (health assistant) for health room assistance or call 410-313-1739.

What Do I Do With My Child's Chromebook at the End of the Year?

Only students leaving **HCPSS** after the current 2020-2021 school year, including those unenrolling or moving out of **Howard County**, must return their assigned HCPSS technology devices, including Chromebooks and the charging cord. Please return these items to your child's school or the Technology Center on or after your child's last day of school. Hot spots need to be returned only if the family does not have other children who will be enrolled for the 2021-2022 school year.

Students who will remain in HCPSS schools for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year may continue to borrow HCPSS technology devices over the summer. Families are encouraged to review the [HCPSS Chromebook Care guidelines](#) with their students to ensure that devices are taken care of. **Families are fully responsible for maintaining their child's Chromebook and charger. If you have concerns about keeping your child's Chromebook safe and in working order over the summer, please return it to school. Your child will receive it back when they return in the fall.**

Families returning HCPSS technology devices can log in to HCPSS Connect to ensure they are returning the correct device.

1. [Log in to HCPSS Connect Synergy](#) using parent/guardian credentials
2. Select More Options from the left navigation.
3. Select Student Technology from the list displayed in the center of the screen.
4. Compare the asset tag number that appears on a sticker on the device with the words "Property of HCPSS Inventory" to the one displayed on the Inventory List table.
 1. Check all devices in the household and ensure the correct devices are returned to the appropriate school locations.
 2. If the asset tag number listed in HCPSS Connect does not match any of the devices in the household, let staff know when the device is being returned so that the data can be updated appropriately and the device can be unassigned.

Families who are returning for the next school year but do not wish to keep their HCPSS technology devices over the summer may return them to their school or a [Technology Support Center](#)

Technology Support Center Update

Effective Monday, March 22nd, devices may be exchanged or returned at either of the following Technology Support Centers:

- Old Cedar Lane, Gym (door on the left side of the building; follow the signs), 5451 Beaverkill Road, Columbia (Building shares a parking lot with Harper's Choice MS)
- Old Bushy Park Elementary School, Room E2 (door to the left of the front entrance), 2690 Route 97, Glenwood (Building is between Glenwood MS and Bushy Park ES)

Note! Both locations are in old school buildings that are not located at the same sites as the new schools with similar names. Anyone seeking assistance should go to the addresses listed above.

Hours of operation are M/W/F from 7:30 am - 12:30 pm and T/Th from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Technology Support Centers are closed any day that HCPSS offices are closed.

We are here to help!

- Principal, Mrs. Balter Heidi_Balter@hcpss.org
- Assistant Principal, Mrs. Madden Courtney_Madden@hcpss.org
- Principal's Secretary, Mrs. Grove Carol_Grove@hcpss.org
- Registration Support, Secretary Ms. Lynette Carmen_Lynette@hcpss.org
- Attendance, Synergy and Family File Support, Secretary Mrs. Forman Julie_Forman@hcpss.org
- Counselor, Mrs. Tobin Danielle_w_Tobin@hcpss.org