

OWL OBSERVER NEWS- May 7th, 2021

Important Dates to Remember

- May 10th - Ledo Pizza Fundraiser!! 4:00pm - 8:00pm
- May 13th - Schools closed
- May 19th - Math MAP, Grades 2-5
- May 25th - Reading MAP, Grade 1
- May 26th - Reading MAP, Grades 2-5
- May 27th- Math MAP, Grade 1
- May 31st - Memorial Day, schools closed

A Message from Administration

Dear Families,

A very special thanks to the Ducketts Lane community for the kindness showered on us during ***Teacher Appreciation Week***. Your daily kindness meant so much. We appreciate your thinking of us in so many different ways. We enjoyed them all! The extra things planned for ***Staff Appreciation Week*** by the PTA were just additional examples of the amazing efforts of the DLES PTA. The current officers as well as the many committee chairs do a tremendous job of making Ducketts Lane shine in so many ways. Their tireless efforts have an incredible impact on our students because they help to create a caring environment that encourages learning at high levels. Hats off to this year's PTA president, Mrs. Lightcap, for always going above and beyond to make sure all parts of the PTA are working together to support DLES. Thanks a million to all PTA members!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs. Balter and Mrs. Madden

Free Food Distribution

The Catholic Community of Ascension and St. Augustine has partnered with Lancaster Foods, and we have received a grant from the US Department of Agriculture to distribute boxes of food that contain 30.5 pounds of fresh fruit, vegetables, dairy, and meat. **The boxes will be distributed on Saturdays in May beginning at 9:00 am and ending at 10:30 am, or earlier if the food is gone.** The distribution will take place at Ducketts Lane Elementary School, 6501 Ducketts Lane, Elkridge, MD 21075, on the following dates:

Saturday, May 8, 2021

Saturday, May 15, 2021

Saturday, May 22, 2021

Saturday, May 29, 2021

Distribución de Comida, Gratis

La Comunidad Católica de Ascensión y St. Agustín, asociado con Lancaster Foods, ha recibido una beca del Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos (USDA) para distribuir cajas de comida las cuales contienen 30.5 libras de frutas, verduras, lácteos, y carnes frescas. **Las cajas serán distribuidas los sábados en mayo empezando a las 9:00 am y terminando a las 10:30 am, o antes si se termine la comida.** La distribución sería ubicado en Ducketts Lane Elementary School, 6501 Ducketts Lane, Elkridge, MD 21075, en las siguientes fechas:

sábado, 8 de Mayo de 2021

sábado, 15 de Mayo de 2021

sábado, 22 de Mayo de 2021

sábado, 29 de Mayo de 2021

Cada vehículo o peatón será eligible recibir **dos** caja de comida, y es obligatorio que todos participantes usen mascarilla de cara durante él recoge. **No hay ninguna restricción de ingreso o documentación.** En confianza, usted pueda venir cada semana que está disponible el programa para recibir comida.

¿Preguntas?

Favor de comunicarse con: ccastafooddistribution4@gmail.com .

Este programa no está patrocinado o aprobado por el Sistema Público de Escuelas del Condado de Howard.

Ledo Pizza Night

Come and support Ducketts Lane Elementary School on Monday, May 10th from 4:00 - 8:00 pm at Ledo Pizza in Elkridge.



RAISING FUNDS TASTES GREAT!

Join us at Ledo Pizza for a
FUNDRAISER to support
Ducketts Lane Elementary School

Ledo Pizza: LEDO PIZZA ELKRIDGE
7190 TROY HILL DRIVE
ELKRIDGE MD 21075

When: Monday May 10th
4:00 PM-8:00 PM

Online Code: 306-159-855
(Please enter the code into the Promotion Code area at Checkout
for the organization to receive Credit)

CARRYOUT • DINE IN • ONLINE

Bring in this flyer, show it on your phone,
enter the code for online orders, or just mention
you are here to support this fundraiser and **20%**
the proceeds will be donated to the organization.

Ledo Pizza. **ORDER.LEDOPIZZA.COM**

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.

Learning Together Program – Prekindergarten

The Ducketts Lane Elementary School Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC) prekindergarten programs are preparing for classes for the upcoming 2021-22 school year. These classes include children with and without disabilities. The focus of the program is to help all children develop communication, literacy, math, problem solving, motor, and social skills. Parents of children who will be 3 by September 1st or who are already 4 may learn more about the program by reviewing the [Learning Together Program \(LTP\) Flyer \(English\)](#) or reviewing the [Learning Together Program Parent Handbook](#).

Learning Together Program (LTP) [Flyer](#) (Spanish)

Learning Together Program (LTP) [Flyer](#) (Chinese)

Learning Together Program (LTP) [Flyer](#) (Korean)

New for the 2021-2022 school year: all applications will be completed using the [Learning Together Program Online Application](#). Applications received by April 1st will be given priority.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Ms. Mary Geiser, RECC Instructional Team Leader, at (410) 313-5050 or Mary_Geiser@hcpss.org.

Counselor's Corner

VIRTUAL CAREER DAY - We are in need of volunteers for DLES' VIRTUAL CAREER DAY on June 4th. Presenters will volunteer for a one hour session with either 3rd, 4th, or 5th Grade. The schedule will be the following:

Third Grade: 9:25-10:25

Fourth Grade: 10:30-11:30

Fifth Grade: 10:30-11:30

Please e-mail Danielle_W_Tobin@hcpss.org if you are interested or have any questions.

Healthy Tips from the Health Room

Have questions about the COVID vaccine and want to know where to go for accurate facts? Click here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/facts.html>

COVID-19 vaccines are now available to all individuals 16 and up. Visit <https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/vaccine> for more details or call 1-855-MD-GOVAX (in English and Spanish)

Please check your student *each day* for any symptoms of illness prior to coming to school. Students who are ill will be sent home and expected to be picked up within an hour. Their household members who attend DLES will be sent home as well. If a household member has tested positive or is suspected to have COVID, the student should not come to school. Consider using the [CDC's Symptom Checker](#) as a tool to determine if COVID-19 testing/ medical care is needed.

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

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.

PTA News

Are you looking to be more involved with the PTA? This fall, the PTA Board has several positions opening! President, Vice Presidents 1&2, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and PTACH representative are looking for new volunteers!

Please message us on FB or email duckettslanepa@gmail.com with any questions!

PTA Elections are May 27th at 7pm on Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86729766283>

Spirit Wear Sale Extended until May 9th.

The PTA is currently running a Spirit Wear sale! The ordering is all done online and will be open until **May 9th!** Check out what new DLES gear we have here: <https://dles2021.itemorder.com/sale>

ORDER YOUR SPIRITWEAR ONLINE TODAY!

- These Top Quality items are great for school events, field trips, and everyday use!



- Remember to include Brothers and Sisters, Moms and Dads!

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED ONLINE ONLY!!!!



ORDER ONLINE AT:
[HTTPS://DLES2021.ITEMORDER.COM](https://dles2021.itemorder.com)

(This is your SHIRT design)

MANUFACTURER'S SIZE DESCRIPTION			
SHIRTS	Youth Small 6 - 8	Youth Medium 10 - 12	Youth Large 14 - 16
PANTS	Youth Small 6 - 8	Youth Medium 10 - 12	Youth Large 14 - 16

• Orders due:

Because these are custom made items, we cannot accept returns or exchanges for incorrect sizes and colors ordered.

CAMOUFLAGE TEE

YOUTH \$20.00
ADULT \$22.00
XXL \$24.00

ITEM COLOR
BLUE CAMO

100% Cotton Heavy Weight

Please Select
1 Size Larger
Than You Need

MESH SHORTS

YOUTH \$19.00
ADULT \$21.00
XXL \$23.00

ITEM COLOR
BLACK

100% Polyester Mesh

DLES

DRI-FIT STYLE TEE

YOUTH \$16.00
ADULT \$18.00
XXL \$20.00

ITEM COLOR
GRAY

100% Polyester Dri-Fit Style Tee

TEE SHIRT

YOUTH \$11.00
ADULT \$13.00
XXL \$15.00

ITEM COLOR
CAROLINA BLUE

100% Cotton Heavy Weight

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[HTTPS://DLES2021.ITEMORDER.COM](https://dles2021.itemorder.com)

DLES Spiritwear – Order online at:

<https://dles2021.itemorder.com>



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
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