

Important Dates to Remember

- September 20th- Back to School Music Night, 7:00pm
- September 23rd- Fall Picture Day
- September 23rd- General PTA Meeting, 7:00pm
- September 27th- Ledo Pizza Night, 4:00pm-8:00pm
- October 15th- Schools Closed
- October 19th- School Success Series Workshop for Families!! 5:30-7:00 (Canvas/
Appropriate use of technology)

Dear Families,

Please join our music team this coming week for a virtual music Back to School Night.

Band and Strings Instrumental Back to School Night

Monday, Sept. 20

VIRTUAL Back to Music Night

7:00pm

Google Meet Code: DLESmusic

Families of students participating in Band, Orchestra or Chorus this school year should plan to attend ***Back to School Night for Music*** and meet Mrs. McKay, Mrs. McCoy and Mr. Wagner. You will hear more details about the music program, class schedule and how to help at home. Join the Google Meet using your student's HCPSS login credentials.



National Hispanic Heritage Month

begins September 15th and will run through October 15, giving the United States an opportunity to recognize and celebrate members of our communities and their ancestors who hail from Mexico, parts of the Caribbean, Central and

South America, and Spain. Rather than starting at the beginning of September, Hispanic Heritage Month takes place over 30 days starting on the 15th -- a nod to the anniversaries of national independence for several Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua all recognize September 15 as the date of their

independence, while Mexico's independence is celebrated September 16 and Chile celebrates its independence September 18. Hispanic Heritage Month traces its history to 1968, when the observance was just a week long. President Lyndon B. Johnson signed a bill designating the week of September 15 as "National Hispanic Heritage Week." We celebrate to also recognize the achievements and contributions of Hispanic American champions known and unknown who have inspired us all.

Counselor Corner - Please take a few minutes to check out the [Elementary School Counselor Newsletter - Issue 1](#). This is a great resource for students and parents to read together.

Included in the School Counseling Connection newsletter are celebrations, activities for home as well as self-care ideas. Newsletters will be created and shared bi-monthly.

BSAP News

BSAP Saturday Math Academy: This Fall, the BSAP Saturday Math Academy will offer a virtual enrichment program for Howard County Public School System scholars in all levels of math for grades 3-12. Registration will take place online Saturday, September 25, 2021, from 9:00 AM - until capacity is reached. Class space is limited.

BLACK STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

Saturday Math Academy

Open to all Howard County Public School System students, all levels, Grades 3-12.



Space is limited! Registration is required.

FALL SESSION 2021 VIRTUAL LEARNING PROGRAM

**Saturdays, October 16–November 20
9 a.m.–12:15 p.m.**

Certified teachers offer instruction and enrichment in all levels of mathematics to a diverse student population. Students will engage in synchronous (live) and asynchronous (flexible) instruction.

For details, visit: www.hcpss.org/schools/bsap/saturday-math-academy/

**Registration: Saturday, September 25, 2021
9 a.m.–until capacity is reached**
Fee: \$80 (non-refundable)
MySchoolBucks - 4% associated fee

Students will be registered for the same math class or instructional level they are taking at their home school.

**Family Orientation: Saturday, October 9, 2021
Noon–12:45 p.m.**
Google Meet (Link will be emailed to enrolled parents)

Questions?
Email to: bsapsaturdaymath@hcpss.org



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Academia Sabatina de Matemáticas

Abierta a todos los estudiantes del Sistema de Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Howard, todos los niveles, Grados 3–12.



¡Cupo limitado!
Hay que matricularse

SESIÓN DE OTOÑO 2021 PROGRAMA DE APRENDIZAJE VIRTUAL Sábados, 16 de octubre–20 de noviembre 9 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Maestros certificados ofrecen instrucción y enriquecimiento en todos los niveles de matemáticas a una población estudiantil diversa. Los estudiantes participarán en instrucción sincrónica (en vivo) y asincrónica (flexible)

Para más información: www.hcpss.org/schools/bsap/saturday-math-academy/

Matriculación: Sábado, 25 de septiembre de 2021

9 a.m.–12 del mediodía o hasta que se llene el cupo

Matriculación: \$80 (no reembolsable)
MySchoolBucks – 4% costo agregado

Los estudiantes se matricularán para el mismo curso de matemáticas o nivel de instrucción que están tomando en su escuela.

Orientación Familiar: Sábado, 9 de octubre
12 del mediodía a 12:45

Google Meet (Enlace se enviará a los padres por correo electrónico después de la matriculación)

¿Preguntas?

Llamar al: (786)486-7574

Escribir a: bsapsaturdaymath@hcpss.org

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PTA News

The DLES PTA needs you! If you haven't already joined, it's not too late. You can become a member today by visiting our [website](#) or [facebook page](#)

We can't wait to see you at our first meeting of the year on 9/23/21 at 7:00 pm.

Community News

Girls on the Run Registration is Open: Girls on the Run® inspires girls in grades 3-5 to be joyful, healthy, and confident by using running to teach valuable social-emotional and life skills such as managing emotions, resolving conflict, and setting personal goals. Teams of 15-20 girls meet twice weekly after school for 9 weeks. Each season concludes with the girls and their running buddies completing a non-competitive 5k fun run. The Fall season will start the week of September 20, with the season-ending site-based 5k. **DLES GOTR will be held this fall on Mondays and Wednesdays.** Program registration fee is \$165 and includes 5k registration and finisher's medal, water bottle, t-shirt, a cinch sack, journal, grown-up guide, and all program materials. *Generous financial assistance is available and no girl is turned away.* DLES coaches this year are Mrs. Karen Rinehart, Ms. Amanda Gates, and Ms. Ryann Plokin. Please visit www.gotrcentralmd.org to register. Call 443-583-7740 or e-mail info@gotrcentralmd.org.

Okinawan Karate Dojo - School's Out Ninja Day Camps! HCPSS will be closed, Oct 15, Nov 4, and Dec 23. Make sure to reserve your child's spot with our business partner - The Okinawan Karate Dojo! The OKD's "School's Out Ninja Day Camp" has you covered from 9 AM to 4 PM...or...8 AM to 6 PM (with available before/after care)! OKD's year-round camps are action-packed, tons of fun, and will keep your kids happy, entertained, challenged and moving all day! Not only that, they are **licensed as a Child Care Provider by the state of Maryland. The staff is highly trained and certified to give your child a safe, enriching, AWESOME, COVID-safe camp experience! Voted #1 Martial Arts School in HoCo and one of the best ChildCare Providers in 2021, this will be OKD's 22nd annual camp season! Find additional information about the camp, online registration, and OKD's COVID safety policy at: OKDkarate.com. Space is Limited. Questions? Call: 443 574 8999 or Email: info@okinawankaratedojo.com.**

Howard County Recreation and Parks

Fall 2021 After-School Classes at

Ducketts Lane Elementary

Register early, programs fill quickly!



Chess

Chess Club After School with Silver Knights Chess



Learn how to play chess from highly rated professional chess instructors, who have coached many state and national champions! Time is evenly split between lesson and play. Lessons range from learning the rules to advanced tournament strategies. Open to all levels. Play time is structured to pair against opponent of similar skill. All chess supplies provided. Info: Scott Coming, 410-313-4627 or scorning@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 - Classes: 2
RP3322.503 Ducketts Lane ES Oct 8 3:25-4:25pm F \$155



Music

Learn Now Music After School

The mission is to learn how music is "to create a positive, musical experience for all of our students!" Enjoy musical instruction and theory. Enjoy musical games, special extension curriculum-based activities, musical listening excerpts, and more! You may rent an instrument for \$20 throughout each session. Info: William Banks, 410-313-4721 or wbanks@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 - Popping Piano - Classes: 6 - \$139 + \$20 materials fee
RP3361.542 Ducketts Lane ES Oct 13 3:25-4:25pm W
Grades K-5 - Gummy Guitar - Classes: 6 - \$139 + \$20 materials fee
RP3361.541 Ducketts Lane ES Oct 13 3:25-4:25pm W

Crafts & Fine Arts

KidzArt After School

Enjoy a fun, unique, confidence-building art experience. Our drawing-based curriculum delivers engaging and educationally rich, creative classes that amaze and delight. Create a new masterpiece each week while exploring a variety of artist-grade mediums every session (PrismaColor ArtStix, oil pastels, chalk pastels, charcoal, watercolor, air dry clay, metal tooling, textured papers and more)! Info: Scott Coming, 410-313-4627 or scorning@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 - Session 1 - Classes: 6
RP0113.503 Ducketts Lane ES Oct 5 3:35-4:35pm Tu \$120
Grades K-5 - Session 2 - Classes: 10 - Materials included in registration
RP0113.543 Ducketts Lane ES Nov 16 3:35-4:35pm Tu \$200

Science & Technology

The Wonderful World of WeDo with Tech Scientific



LEGO® bricks cultivate creativity and encourage kids to become engineers. In this class, we take it a step further as students bring LEGO®s to life! Using the LEGO® WeDo software, students build things such as animals and modes of transportation, and use basic coding to get them to move. They also learn about and use different sensors to make their "programs" more complex. As students enjoy building, learn the principles of basic programming. Info: William Banks, 410-313-4721 or wbanks@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-3 - Classes: 6
RP3381.504 Ducketts Lane ES Sep 30 3:25-4:25pm Th \$145

No class when schools are closed or have early dismissal.

What To Do When Schools Are Closed

<https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/howardcounty/>

Sep 7, 16 • Oct 15 • Nov 4, 24 • Dec 23, 24, 31

Sports

After-School Basketball

All classes held on outdoor basketball courts except for Meadowbrook Athletic Complex. School's over and it's time for some hoops! Boys and girls, learn and develop fundamental skills of dribbling, passing, shooting and defense and through activities. It is the perfect place to start or complement your league play. Info: Curtis L. Gore, 410-313-4705 or cgore@howardcountymd.gov.

8-10 yrs - Classes: 6
RP6081.512 Ducketts Lanes ES Sep 22 3:30-4:30pm W \$55



Howard County
RECREATION & PARKS



This information is either sponsored or endorsed by HCPSS or the school.

Registration: 410-313-7275, www.howardcountymd.gov/rap or 7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia, MD 21046

Financial Aid: Limited financial assistance available for Howard County residents that qualify. Information: 410-313-7275.

Refund Policy: www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/programs

Food Pantry



MultiService Center Food Pantry

**The Howard County MultiService Center
9900 Washington Blvd., Suite I, Laurel**

OPEN TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY*

Mondays and Wednesdays • Noon to 4:00 p.m.

**Third Saturday of Each Month
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

To protect both clients and staff, food items are pre-packaged in "grab and go" bags. Let us know if you have any food allergies, and we will do our best to accommodate your needs.




MultiService Center
Office of Community Partnerships
Department of Community Resources and Services
410-313-0220 (VOICE/RELAY)
mscinfo@howardcountymd.gov
www.howardcountymd.gov/msc

* If you are in need of food and cannot get to the center during operational hours, call 410-313-0220 (voice/relay) to schedule an appointment.
The MSC Food Pantry service is only available to Howard County residents.

If you need this information in an alternate format, contact the MSC at 410-313-0220 (voice/relay) or mscinfo@howardcountymd.gov. If you need accommodations to participate, call at least one week in advance.



MultiService Center Despensa de Alimentos

**The Howard County MultiService Center
9900 Washington Blvd., Suite I, Laurel**

AHORA ABIERTO PARA SERVIR A LA COMUNIDAD*

Lunes y Miercoles • De 12:00 a 4:00 p.m.

**Tercer sábado de cada mes
9:00 a.m. a 1:00 p.m.**

Para proteger a los clientes y al personal, los alimentos son pre-empacados para "Recoger y llevar" las bolsas. Dejanos saber si tienes alergia a algun alimento para ajustarnos a tus necesidades.




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* Si necesitas alimentos y no puedes venir al Centro durante las horas operacionales llama al 410-313-0220 (voz/relevo) para programar una cita.
El servicio MSC Food Pantry es solo disponible para los residentes del condado de Howard.

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