

Welcome!!!

Back-to-School Night

Phelps Luck Elementary

Please type your first and last name and your child's first and last name in the chat box.
Please mute and turn off your camera.



Our Administration Team

- Mrs. Michelle Leader / Michelle_Leader@hcpss.org
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VISION: Every student and staff member embraces diversity and possesses the skills, knowledge and confidence to positively influence the larger community.

MISSION: HCPSS ensures academic success and social-emotional well-being for each student in an inclusive and nurturing environment that closes opportunity gaps.



More information: www.hcpss.org/scta

PLES PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

WHO ARE WE?

We are a group of parents/guardians, teachers, and administrators who volunteer our time to provide academic, social, and cultural enrichment to each student at PLES throughout the school year.

Through advocacy, events and fundraising, we strive to provide the support our students, families and staff need to make our PLES community the best it can be for our children to learn and grow.



2021 – 2022 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Shandi Bradfield
President



Cara Martin
Treasurer



Cherie Helfrich
Secretary



Amanda Goeke
VP1 Membership



Ann Wacha
VP2 Fundraising



Allison Cotilla
VP3 Teacher Liaison

WHAT DOES THE PTA DO?



Membership
\$10 per year

MEMBERSHIP Q&A

PTA Meetings are
Open to Everyone
(not just members)

Volunteering is
Open to Everyone
(not just members)

General Membership Meetings

- September 8
- November 4
- January 5
- March 2
- May 4

Board Meetings:

- October 6
- December 1
- February 2
- April 6
- June 1

First Wednesday of every month
@7:00pm

Members
Vote on PTA
Matters

Meetings are
NOT
Mandatory

Volunteer
On Your
Schedule

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On Your
Schedule

Volunteer With Us!

You do not have to
be a member to
volunteer!

Open Committee Positions - Seeking Volunteer Support!

- Bingo Night Coordinator
- Movie Night Coordinator
- Multicultural Festival
- Paint Night Coordinator
- Communications / Social Media
Coordination
- School Supply Orders
- Science Fair
- Secret Shop
- 3rd/4th Grade Dance
- Yearbook

WHERE TO FIND US



www.phelpsluckpta.org

Howard County Library



**HOWARD COUNTY
LIBRARY SYSTEM**
Public Education for All

- Passport Processing
- Bi-lingual Spanish/English classes, as well as preschool, elementary, teen and adult classes in person and virtually
- Please see Miss. Adriana in the hallway to receive a library card and she can share information regarding other resources and materials.

School and System News and Information



Email

School news, HCPSS News,
emergency notices



Text

urgent/emergency notices
only - opt in by texting yes
to 67587 and entering yes
again.



HCPSS website

www.hcpss.org

Systemwide news and
information resource



ClassDojo



Twitter: @hcpss_ples



School website

ples.hcpss.org

School news, calendar, sports
and clubs, staff directory; more

Mental Health – School-Based Supports

School Counselor: **Andrea Stremmel & Christina Salapata**



School Psychologist: **Amy McMillion**

Hispanic Achievement Liaison: **Ana Garcia-Hedges**

Pupil Personnel Worker: **Ronda Lennon**



More information:

www.hcpss.org/supports/mental-health-wellness

Mental Health Resources

Network of Care

Howard County Resources

Community-based Wrap-around Services

Foreign-Born Support Services/Bilingual Support Services

Howard County Health Department

[Guide to Community Services in Howard County:](https://www.acshoco.org/resources/guide-to-community-services/)

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Telehealth at Phelps Luck



- Keep kids in school, healthy and ready to learn.
- Services Include treatment for illnesses such as:
 - Sore throat
 - Ear infections
 - Asthma
 - Rashes
 - Conjunctivitis
 - Colds & upper respiratory symptoms
- Our staff will work with you & your child's healthcare provider to coordinate care so your child receives the care he or she needs while in school.

Stop by our Health Room to enroll or visit our PLES website...

<https://ples.hcpss.org/news/2019/07/school-based-telemedicine-centers-19-20>

Update Student Information



- Parent contact information
 - Medical data and contacts
 - After-school transportation
 - Data privacy preferences
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- Athletic participation forms

www.hcpss.org/connect

Canvas: What to Expect



Course Homepage:



Overview



Student privacy information



Resources



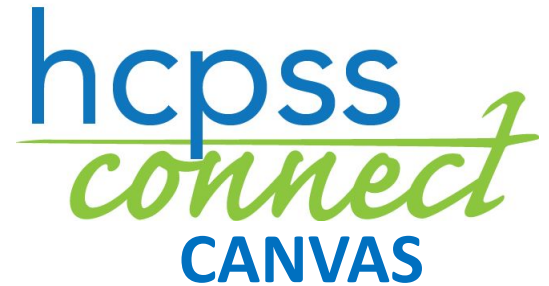
Calendar dates/events



Assignments & Gradebook

Announcements

Student skill building (grade appropriate)



New! Updated Interface

Have Canvas Questions? Click the **Orientation** box
on the Canvas homepage to access Parent Guides



Orientation

Title I Schools



- Schoolwide enhanced programs, services and enrichment
- Available to all students in our school
- Family involvement for all families

Interactive School Menus on Nutrislice



- Food descriptions
- Nutrition and allergens
- Carb counts
- FARMS application link
- Breakfast and lunch menus

- <http://hcpss.nutrislice.com>
- Free iPhone or iOS app
- HCPSS Mobile App

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMS)

How does filling out your FARMS form impact Title I eligibility?

- Complete the form by **October 31**
- Determines Title I status

Meals are provided free during the 2021-22 school year, but FARMS registration is still *very important* for eligible families

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

Qualifying families can receive free or reduced-cost:



HCPSS - FAMILY FILE (EMERGENCY FORM)

MAIN NAVIGATION

- Students
- Parents/Guardians
- Emergency Contacts
- Medical
- Arrival/Departure
- Media
- Data Confidentiality
- Student Creative Work
- PTA Directory / School Directory
- Submit

Thank you. You have successfully submitted the family file information.



Click the below link to download the printed emergency procedure card:

[\[Download \]](#)

Free and Discounted Benefits

The FARMs program provides families with significant benefits to help you save money. Eligibility is based on family size and income, and enrollment is confidential.

[Log out](#)

- School meals
- Health insurance
- HCC tuition
- SAT, ACT and AP exam fees
- Camps, sports, child care
- Many other benefits

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

Step 1: Visit www.hcpss.org/farms/

Step 2: Click “Apply Online” to **begin** the online application process

How to Apply

Please submit only one application per household. Families that need computer or language assistance to apply online, please contact your child’s school.

View the [federal income eligibility guidelines](#).

Online

APPLY ONLINE

(ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES AVAILABLE)

- After the online application has been submitted and reviewed, eligibility notifications will be sent via email/mail.

HCPSS WEBSITE



Howard County Public School System

Getting Started

Household Information

Students

Children (Non-Student)

Signer's Information

Getting Started

What you will need to provide during the application process:

- The name and **current** income of every member of your household
- The school and grade of every student in your household
- Your electronic signature
- (Optional) A valid email address or phone number for district communication about the status of the application.

If you are ready to get started, click the button below to begin the online application process.

BEGIN ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

APPLICATION

Student Technology Use in Elementary School

Students may use their personal technology:

- When permitted by a teacher or administrator
- Before and after school

Devices must remain off and in backpack at all other times

Personal devices are *not* required for school

HCPSS-Issued Laptops

- **Pre-K – Grade 1:** Devices will not be assigned to students at the start of the school year. Students will have access to Chromebooks in school when needed for instruction.
- **Grades 2-5:** All students are issued a school system laptop.

HCPSS Policy 8080: “Responsible Use of Technology, Digital Tools, and Social Media” <https://policy.hcpss.org/8000/8080/>

Attendance



- First bell is 8:40am – students in class by 8:55am.
- Children should only be absent for illnesses.
- Notes are required for absences: child's full name, date of absence, reason and parent signature.
- Provide notes within 2 days of returning to school.
- 3 discretionary days a year – fill out pre-approval form 2 weeks in advance (office has the form).

What Your Child Will Learn Guides



On Canvas via
HCPSS Connect

www.hcpss.org/connect

Curriculum content
overview for each

- Grade (PreK – 5)
- Subject area

Masking Requirements

Masks MUST be worn by all students, staff and visitors:

- In school buildings
- On buses



Masks are NOT required:

- Outdoors on school grounds
- While eating/drinking indoors

Learn more at
help.hcpss.org
under “Health &
Safety”

PLES Welcomes the WATCH D.O.G.S. Program
Kick-Off Pizza Party - October 14th at 6:30pm
Program to Encourage Dads or Male Member Volunteers!

Phelps Luck Elementary



www.dadsofgreatstudents.com

Questions & Answers

