# Welcome!!! Back-to-School Night Phelps Luck Elementary



#### **50 Years of Excellence**



## **Our Administration Team**

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#### 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.



#### 2022 – 2023 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



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Patricia Parra Zillmer President-in-Training

#### WHAT DOES THE PTA DO?





#### MEMBERSHIP Q&A

#### General Membership Meetings

- September 7
- November 2
- January 4
- March 1
- May 3
- June 7

Members Vote on PTA Matters PTA Meetings are Open to Everyone (not just members)

First Wednesday of every month @7:00pm

> Meetings are NOT Mandatory



#### **Board Meetings:**

- October 12
- December 7
- February l
- April 12

Volunteer On Your Schedule



#### Volunteer With Us!

**Open Committee Positions - Seeking Volunteer Support!** 

- Bingo Night Coordinator
- Movie Night Coordinator
- School Supply Orders Coordinator
- 3rd/4th Grade Dance Coordinator
- Book Fair Coordinator



#### WHERE TO FIND US



#### www.phelpsluckpta.org



**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 <sup>and Leading</sup> social-emotional well-being for each student in an inclusive and nurturing environment that closes opportunity gaps.

More information: www.hcpss.org/scta



#### SCHOOL-BASED WELLNESS CENTERS PROGRAM

Providing in-school health care for students to limit their missed classroom time and parents' time away from other responsibilities.

While in school, students can be treated for:

On-site provider services:

- Minor illnesses and injuries
- Physical exams (if unable to receive from child's medical provider)
- Behavioral health screening
- Immunizations (if eligible)

Telemedicine services (when on-site provider is not available):

- Ear infections
- Asthma flare-ups
- Strep throat
- Pink eye
- Other minor illnesses and injuries

Participating Schools:

Bollman Bridge ES\* Cradlerock ES Deep Run ES Ducketts Lane ES Hanover Hills ES Lake Elkhorn MS Phelps Luck ES Running Brook ES Talbott Springs ES Patuxent Valley MS \* Wilde Lake HS\*

\*Telemedicine services not available

For More Information, please contact the School-Based Wellness Center Program at

HowardSBWC@howardcountymd.gov

hchealth.org



#### SCHOOL-BASED WELLNESS CENTERS PROGRAM

- The School-Based Wellness Centers offer health services for all students regardless of health insurance or family income.
- Program physicians and nurse practitioners provide health services only during the school day and do not replace students' regular health providers.
- School-Based Wellness Centers will bill Medical Assistance only for in-person visits. There are NO copays or bills for uncovered charges.
- Telemedicine visits are not billed unless a student sees their own medical provider via telemedicine. Klebanow & Associates and Columbia Medical Practice use the Program's virtual platform to see their own patients and bill these visits the same as office visits. If your child has a different medical provider, your child will see a Columbia Medical Practice provider but you will NOT be charged any co-pays or fees. If your child has health insurance and the insurer only pays part of the bill, you will NOT be responsible for any unpaid balance.
- For more information on the program, please visit the Howard County Health Department website:

https://www.howardcountymd.gov/health/school-based-wellness-centers

Or contact the program at HowardSBWC@howardcountymd.gov





### Mental Health – School-Based Supports

#### School Counselors: Andrea Stremmel & Christina Salapata





School Psychologist: Amy McMillion



More information: www.hcpss.org/supports/mental-health-wellness

### Mental Health – School-Based Supports

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



#### Pupil Personnel Worker: Ronda Lennon



More information: www.hcpss.org/supports/mental-health-wellness

#### Mental Health Resources

- Student Support Team <u>Network of Care</u>
- Community-based Wrap-around Services
- Foreign-Born Support Services/Bilingual Support Services
- Howard County Health Department Behavioral Health Navigation
- <u>Guide to Community Services in Howard County:</u>
- https://www.acshoco.org/resources/guide-to-community-services/

More information:

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

# School and System News and Information

Email School news, HCPSS News, emergency notices



HCPSS website <u>www.hcpss.org</u> Systemwide news and information resource



ClassDojo



Twitter: @hcpss\_ples

Text Urgent/emergency notices, some reminders opt in by texting yes to 67587 and entering yes again.



School website ples.hcpss.org

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



# Weekly System Emails

- School system news and announcements
- Upcoming events
- Opportunities to share input on HCPSS policies and decisions

# **HCPSS Mobile App**

Free download on App Store:
iPhone
iPad
Android



# School Closings/Delays



www.HCPSS.org









HCPSS Status status.hcpss.org



### Synergy Student Information System

Canvas Learning Management System

Family File

# www.hcpss.org/connect

### HCPSS Connect: How to Get Help

#### **Login Assistance:**

#### Contact the school office



### **Guides and Resources:**

https://hcpss.org/connect



## Password Reset Guide:

https://hcpss.org/f/connect/synergy -parent-access.pdf

## Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

#### **Step 1:** Visit <u>www.hcpss.org/farms/</u>

HCPSS WEBSITE

#### 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.

MY SCHOOL , flpps			APPLICATION					
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**

## Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

### Qualifying families can receive free or reduced-cost:

MAI	N NAVIGATION		
ළ	Students	0	Thank you. You have succesfully submitted the family file inform
Ð	Parents/Guardians	0	
Ą	Emergency Contacts	Ø	Click the below link to download the printed emergency procedure card:
۵	Medical	0	[Download]
Q	Arrival/Departure	Θ	Free and Discounted Benefits
0	Media	0	The FARMs program provides families with significant benefits to help you save mone
a	Data Confidentiality	0	Eligibility is based on family size and income, and enroliment is confidential.
	Student Creative Work	0	
	PTA Directory / School D	irectory	Log out
V	Submit	0	

- School meals
- Health insurance
- HCC tuition
- SAT, ACT and AP exam fees

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- Camps, sports, child care
- Many other benefits

#### 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

## Title I Schools



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

### 2022-2023 Student Meals

#### **REMINDER!** The 2022-2023 school year will return to pre-COVID student meal procedures

The federal government has not extended waivers allowing free meals for all students. **Students** whose families do not qualify for free or reduced lunch will be required to pay full price.

Daily Meal Prices				
Student Lunch				
Elementary School Lunch – \$2.80				
Middle/High School Lunch – \$3.30				
Milk (1/2 pint) – \$0.50				

### **Interactive School Menus on Nutrislice**



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

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

#### 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.
- PLESAbsence@hcpss.org
- 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).

### Canvas: What to Expect



#### Course Homepage:

Calendar dates/events

**Direct Messaging (Inbox)** 

**Announcements** 

Overview Student privacy information Resources

**Assignments and Gradebook** 



Canvas courses for preK-8 students have a more simplified interface than high school. When selecting a child, you will see the same layout as that child sees in Canvas.

Have Canvas Questions? Click the **Canvas Student & Parent Orientation** link under the Help icon on the Canvas homepage



### 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

# **Technology Devices**

Current HCPSS device deployment implementation plan:

- Pre-K: All students will receive an HCPSS-issued device to keep at home
- K-5: Students will share devices that will be kept at school.
- 6-12: All students have or will receive an HCPSS-issued device to bring back-and-forth from home to school each day.

### Assessments at the Elementary Level

- MCAP (Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program) (Grades 3-5)
- MAP (or Measures of Academic Progress) (Grades 1-5)
- CogAT (Cognitive Abilities Test) (Grades 3 & 5)



### **Community News and Programs**

- Find activities and resources for students and families offered by many community non-profits and agencies
- Search by keyword, ages or topic



## community-programs.hcpss.org

#### PLES Welcomes the WATCH D.O.G.S. Program Kick-Off Pizza Party - October 4th at 6:30pm **Program to Encourage Dads or Male Member Volunteers!**







www.dadsofgreatstudents.com

## Thank You for Attending!

Please Go to Your Child's Homeroom Classroom.

Interpreting - Mrs. Eason-Evan's Room

