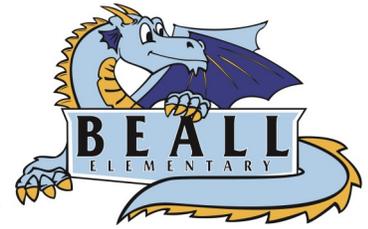


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A high-quality education is the fundamental right of every child at Beall Elementary School. Staff, children, parents and the community will form a multicultural learning environment which provides all students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes that will empower them to be successful, contributing citizens of the world.



SPOTLIGHT: Safety Drill Day

Throughout the year, all schools are expected to teach, review, and practice safety drills. In the event of an emergency situation, it is imperative that staff and students know how to respond to specific situations. Following drills, our procedures are reviewed and discussed, allowing for improvements to be made in our processes. As part of our plan this year, we will be scheduling multiple drills in one day. This will give us the opportunity to speak with students about the need to have different procedures based on the type of situation we are responding to. Our discussions are always in age-appropriate language. Additional information will be shared prior to our scheduled Safety Drill Day. [Visit the MCPS Website for more information about Emergency Preparedness.](#)

Walk To School Day

Wednesday, October 2, is International Walk to School Day! The PTA will be supporting group walks to school, announcing starting points in the coming days. This should be an enjoyable walk. Please feel free to make signs and a lot of noise for the walk. PTA volunteers are requesting that students begin gathering at the designated locations by 8:30 and plan to begin their walk by 8:40 am. We hope parents can join their children for this special day to make it a festive event.

myMCPS Portal for Parents and Students

The new myMCPS Classroom portal is a 21st century digital learning environment designed to meet the needs of staff, students, and parents of MCPS! The myMCPS Parent Portal is the primary home-to-school communication vehicle for schools to share information regarding grades, attendance, scheduling and more. Letters with information on how to create a myMCPS Parent Portal account were previously mailed home to parents. If you have not activated your account, please email Mrs. Gill (Gina_M_Gill@mcpsmd.org) for account information and directions.

Volunteer Reminder

All parents who wish to volunteer in the classrooms or chaperone a field trip must complete the mandatory [Voluntary Training](#) found online. Volunteers must present a photo identification when entering the building. We look forward to working with you throughout the school year.

Preview Nights Set to Explain High School Programming Options

MCPS has developed a long-range strategic plan for high school programming. The plan will be implemented in phases during the next six years, with new programs available to Grade 9 students in fall 2020. MCPS will host preview nights to discuss these options with students and their families on:

- Wednesday, September 25, at Watkins Mill High School
- Thursday, September 26, at John F. Kennedy High School (Parents/guardians and students who attend this preview night will also receive information on the Choice process.)
- Wednesday, October 2, at James Hubert Blake High School (Parents/guardians and students who attend this preview night will also receive information on the Choice process.)

Each preview night is designed for specific high school clusters. All preview nights will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will be live streamed on the MCPS website. More information is available [here](#) or on the Options webpage at

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/career-readiness/options.aspx.

This Week

Mon., September 30
No School for students

Coming Soon

October 1
PTA Meeting

October 4
Early Dismissal

October 9
No School for students

October 14
Open House (9:10-11:00)

October 18
PTA Movie Night

Have you joined the PTA?

It is not too late to join the Parent Teacher Association (PTA). The PTA supports Beall students in a variety of ways, including after-school programs, cultural arts programs, social activities, fundraising and parent workshops. The PTA also supports student learning by funding programs, technology and staff support. See their website for more information or registration forms.

<http://www.beallpta.org/>