



Olney Elementary Principal's Newsletter

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Mission Statement

The parents, staff and students of Olney Elementary School will work as a team to become life –long learners, partners and productive citizens. By putting forth our best effort we will strive to create an environment of mutual respect and academic rigor.

A Message from Mrs. Glawe

Special Dates Of Interest:

October 5: PTA Meeting, 7pm

October 8: Early Release Day,
12:55pm Dismissal

October 11, 12 & 13: Student
Picture Day

Dear Parents and Guardians,

A quick reminder: Please follow the directions from the adult on duty during arrival and dismissal. We have specific safety procedures in place to keep your students and our staff safe.

All dismissal changes and pick ups should be done no later than 3:00pm . It is a disruption to dismissal procedures after that time.

Make sure to look for this online newsletter monthly, as it contains important information about OES policies, procedures, system-wide information, important events, and reminders. This newsletter will be posted on our school website. I hope that you find it to be a useful tool.

Volunteer Vaccination Information

Montgomery County Public Schools requires school volunteers and partnership agencies to complete certain compliance measures in order to volunteer within our school district.

- Online Recognizing Child Abuse and Neglect Training via their *myMCPS Classroom/Canvas* account

Background check (dependent upon the type of volunteer service, per the Volunteers [regulation](#) and [FAQ](#))

- **COVID-19 Vaccination Attestation - NEW!**

Beginning September 20, 2021, volunteers will be required to upload their *Certificate of COVID-19 Vaccination* to remain on the volunteer roster.

Please review the [Volunteer/Contractor Vaccination Attestation Update](#) for details on this process.

Curriculum

Eureka Math: Homework Helpers in the Succeed book

Every homework assignment in Eureka Math gives students the opportunity to further practice what they learned in class and more deeply understand the "why" behind the math. Now parents can more easily support their child at homework time by using the Homework Helpers, authored by the teacher-writers who wrote Eureka Math. Homework Helpers provide step-by-step explanations of how (and why!) to work problems similar to those found in Eureka Math homework assignments. Homework Helpers also provide examples of language that parents may hear their child use as they explain their thinking while completing homework problems.

You can also find additional resources and videos under the math tab on the [Great Minds website](#).

George B. Thomas Sr. Learning Academy, Inc.—Saturday School

Classes will be offered in reading (Benchmarks) and math (Eureka) for grades Pre-K through 5 from 8:30am - 11:00am through May of 2022. There will also be a special center for our ELL students and families. Our dynamic programming will include weekly Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) lessons, recreational activities and academic acceleration with opportunities for enrichment. In addition, CODING sessions are offered throughout the school year for an additional fee. Students in grades 6-8 will receive tutoring in math and reading that is aligned with what they are learning in their Monday-Friday classes from 8:30am-11:00am through May of 2022. Middle school students will be experiencing personalized lessons through APEX Learning and will receive insight into their progress and performance aligned with MCPS standards. Students in grades 9-12 will be receiving subject based tutoring on the work that they are being assigned in their Monday-Friday schools.

Outside of the traditional programs, Saturday School also offers coding for elementary and middle school students. There are robotics classes for middle school students, SAT prep courses and a crash course to college course as well.

The program fees are \$40 for FARMS students and \$85 for all other students. These fees cover the ENTIRE year of tutoring. Coding is an additional fee at \$150 for five classes. Weekly attendance is strongly encouraged as students that attend regularly outperform students that do not.

Registration can be found at www.saturdayschool.org.

