

MEMORANDUM

February 3, 2022

Action Required - ANNUAL



Office of Finance and Operations
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

TO: All Principals
FROM: Eugenia S. Dawson, Chief of Finance and Operations
SUBJECT: *Distribution of Letters for Piano Loaner Program*

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Summary

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has a business partnership with Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., where they provide 15 grand, upright, and digital loaner pianos to MCPS at no cost. MCPS provides maintenance for the instruments and informs our students, parents, and guardians of the partnership.

Background

Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., has a public sale of instruments twice a year—the second sale is scheduled for February 19–26, 2022. During this time, the public can purchase pianos at reduced prices. Our partnership with Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., commits MCPS to provide the notice of this sale to each student.

Important Dates

- Between Friday, February 11, 2022 through Friday, February 18, 2022, please develop and transmit a Connect-ED message to your school community and attach the pdf of the Piano Sale Letter provided with this memo.

Action Required

- Please post the attached Piano Sale Letter on your school webpage, and transmit the Connect-ED message with a pdf attachment of the Piano Sale Letter to your school community by **Friday, February 18, 2022**.

Additional Information

Please contact Rachel C. DuBois, director, Department of Materials Management, at 301-279-3348 or via email [Rachel C DuBois@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Rachel.C.DuBois@mcpsmd.org).

Attachment (Piano Sale Letter Feb 2022.pdf)

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Expanding Opportunity and Unleashing Potential

OFFICE OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

February 11, 2022

Dear Staff, Parents, and Guardians:

We are pleased to inform you of an opportunity to purchase a piano for your family. Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has an agreement with Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., to provide MCPS with new grand, upright, and digital pianos to be used in schools. Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., located in Rockville, Maryland, is the area's oldest piano store. This agreement also provides MCPS families and staff an opportunity to purchase these and other pianos for considerably reduced prices at an annual piano sales event.

This year's liquidation sales event will take place the week of February 19–26, 2022, at 105 North Stonestreet Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20850. In order to provide a safe and healthy environment and to ensure that proper distancing can be maintained, this year's sale will be by appointment only with a limited number of appointment times available. All pianos will carry a 15-year transferable warranty. Each piano will come with a bench and one free in-house tuning.

For additional information, you may visit the Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., website at www.schaefferspiano.com. To make an appointment for February 19–26, please call the Schaeffer's Piano Company appointment desk at 301-424-1147.

We are grateful to be working with Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., to support our school music programs and help MCPS keep new and well-maintained instruments in our schools each year. If you have any questions, please contact Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., at 301-424-1144.

Sincerely,



Eugenia S. Dawson, Ed.D.
Chief of Finance and Operations