



# Sargent Shriver Elementary School

## The Terrapin Tracker - Parent Newsletter

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### Please Join Sargent Shriver PTA

Please join our PTA. The number one reason is to support your child. Another reason is to support your school. Here are a few other reasons:

- ☺ Get Connected: There is no better way to know what's happening in your child's school.
- ☺ Tap into a Network: PTA functions are opportunities to meet other parents and teachers and build relationships.
- ☺ Be a Role Model: By becoming a PTA member, you will be able to demonstrate to your child the importance of education.



Respectfully,  
Mrs. Brown & Mrs. Williams

### Calendar of Events

- ☺ February 14—Valentine's Day Festivities
- ☺ February 18—No School
- ☺ February 27—Career Day

### Complete Important Forms



- ☺ This is important!
- ☺ You can do it!
- ☺ I won't give up on you!

### Parent Engagement Committee at 3:45 pm

- ☺ February 13
- ☺ March 13
- ☺ April 24
- ☺ May 15

## Together we Make a Difference!

### Parent Tips

- ☺ Show your child how to break down a job into small steps, and then do the job one step at a time
  - ☺ This works for everything; getting dressed, cleaning a room, doing a big homework assignment, or preparing for a test.

Effective effort leads to success!



## Whatever it Takes!

# 2018–2019 School Year Extended to June 14

Recent inclement weather forced MCPS to close schools on three days. The 2018–2019 MCPS school calendar includes 182 instruction days, two more than the minimum required in the state of Maryland. As a result of these closures, MCPS will need to use one designated make-up day to ensure that it meets the state-required number of school days. The school year will now be extended to June 14, 2019. The last day will be an early release day for all students. Any additional school closures for emergency weather will result in the need to use additional make-up days. If we have a fourth school closure due to emergency weather conditions, then the next emergency weather make-up day will be Wednesday, June 5, 2019. MCPS will continue to closely monitor for severe weather and provide updates on any impact it may have to the school calendar. For more information on the MCPS school calendar, visit [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org).



## School Leadership Team at 3:45 pm

The School Leadership Team makes decisions that are in the best interest of our students. Being part of this team is a great way you can support our school. The following are dates when we meet:

- ☺ February 25
- ☺ March 18
- ☺ April 15
- ☺ May 20

## Sargent Shriver Spotlight on Staff

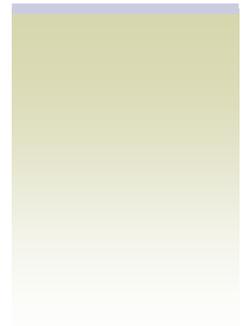
Ms. Nicole Wilson is our fourth-grade ESOL teacher and Team Leader.

☺ What do you like about our school?

I really love the kids and the strength of our teams as well as our dedication.

☺ What is your favorite childhood book?

My favorite childhood book is “Charlotte’s Web” by E.B. White.



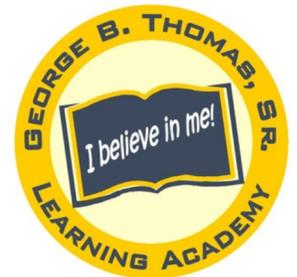
## The George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy

### Saturday School:

It is not too late to register your child for Saturday School! This program offers low cost small group instruction by MCPS teachers using the school curriculum. It is a great way to build your child’s academic skills. For more information, go to the link below:

<http://www.saturdayschool.org>

A registration fee of \$40 for students who receive Free and Reduced Meal Services (FARMS) and \$85 for students who do not receive FARMS is required to register. A payment plan is available at all Saturday School sites and can be completed at registration.



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