



Sargent Shriver Elementary School

The Terrapin Tracker - Parent Newsletter

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How Can Parents Help During Test Time?

This month will be busy giving reading and math assessments so the teachers can monitor the students' understanding of content that has been taught since the beginning of the school year. The following list ways you can support your child.

- ☺ Meet with your child's teacher in advance to understand the specific areas where your child may need additional instruction, practice, encouragement, or time to master core skills in his or her grade.
- ☺ Do practice tests with your child. Many practice tests for PARCC, and other state tests, are available online.
- ☺ Remember that testing is just one way to evaluate your child's progress, and should be considered along with other factors, such as behavior and attendance.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JANUARY 2019						
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

www.freshcalendars.com

Calendar of Events

- ☺ January 21—No School
- ☺ January 25—Early Release Day
- ☺ January 28—No School

Respectfully,

Mrs. Brown & Mrs. Williams

Parent Engagement Committee at 3:45 pm

- ☺ January 23
- ☺ February 13
- ☺ March 13
- ☺ April 24
- ☺ May 15

Complete Important Forms



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

Together we Make a Difference!

Effective effort leads to success!

Parent Tips

Reading Concerns

- ☺ Know what is expected for reading at your child's grade level
- ☺ Ask your child's teacher about their progress in reading
- ☺ Provide time after the school day for your child to read
- ☺ Have a variety of books available for your children to read at home



Whatever it Takes!

Comment Sought on Four Board of Education Policies

The Montgomery County Board of Education is seeking comment from parents and members of the community on four policies—Policy BBB, *Ethics*; Policy BFA, *Policysetting*; Policy IGK, *Career and Technology Education*; and Policy KEA, *Political Campaigns and Political Materials*. Visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/policy-for-public-comment.aspx to read the draft policies and to offer comment.



Public comments on Policy KEA, *Civic Engagement, Political Campaigns, and Political Materials* are due by Sunday, December 16. Comments on Policy BBB, *Ethics*; Policy BFA, *Policy setting*; and Policy IGK, *Career and Technology Education* must be submitted by January 13, 2019.

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:

- ☺ January 28
- ☺ February 25
- ☺ March 18
- ☺ April 15
- ☺ May 20

Sargent Shriver Spotlight on Staff

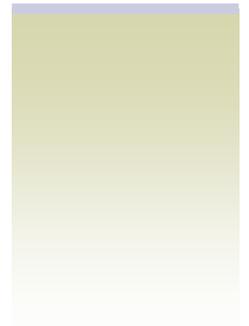
Ms. Nancy Tran-Phan is our kindergarten teacher.

☺ What do you like about our school?

I love the staff at our school and how supportive we are of each other. It is amazing to see everyone working together and doing “whatever it takes” to help all our students learn and grow.

☺—What is your favorite childhood book?

My favorite childhood book is Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss.



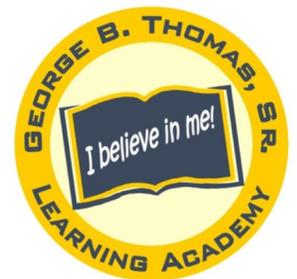
The George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy

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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