THE WEEKLY REDLAND MS BULLDOG BLAST 2021-2022

Below are important reminders to help you stay involved and engaged with your student's upcoming events at Redland Middle School. The main office is open from 7:45am – 3:45pm (4:30pm on after school activity days).

Parents may come to the main entrance to sign out their students for early dismissal or call into the main office and wait outside. We will continuously update our families regarding access to our building.

As a reminder, we require the scanning of all IDs when a parent visits Redland MS. All visitors with an appointment who are attending meetings are required to check in at the main office with an ID. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Bookmark our website: https://www2.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/redlandms/

Our weekly email has five sections:

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MCPS Community News and Information

REDLAND INFORMATION and CALENDAR

Monday, April 4

No After School Activities

Tuesday, April 5

SGA Meeting - 3:20 pm

Pom/Cheer Club - 3:20 pm

Gentlemen of Tomorrow - 3:20 pm

Green Team - 3:20 pm

Anime Club - 3:20 pm

GSA Club - 3:20 pm

HW Club 6 - 3:20 pm

Boys Soccer Practice - 3:20 pm

Girls Soccer Practice - 3:20 pm

VIRTUAL PTA Meeting - 7:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/81703917437?pwd=a21ZdVptMC9FY2FWQTArV2V5dWZIZz09

Meeting ID: 817 0391 7437

Passcode: 556361

Wednesday, April 6

Band Field Trip - Bulldog Band to Concert Festival Assessment

Yearbook Club - 3:20 pm

Peer Tutoring - 3:20 pm

Fitness Club - 3:20 pm

6th Grade HW Club - 3:20 pm

Volleyball Club - 3:20 pm

Soccer Games:

Redland's soccer games on Wednesday, April 6th, versus Forest Oak MS

Redland Ladies are Home (Game starts at 3:30)

Redland Gentlemen are away at Forest Oak Middle School (Game starts at 3:30)

If your child is on the team, please ensure you have a way to pick them up from the game, as the games tend to end after the activity buses have left.

Thursday, April 7

7th and 8th Grade HW Club- 3:20pm
Jazz Band Rehearsal
Boys Soccer Practice - 3:20pm
Girls Soccer Practice - 3:20pm
Friday, April 8
No After School Activities
6th grade Field Trip - Science Center
Saturday, April 9 - Monday, April 18
MCPS Spring Break - No School Students and Staff
Redland MS will be closed April 13, 14, 15 and 18 for the Holiday.
Students return to school on April 19, 2022

April Dates/Events:
MCPS Spring Break - Saturday, April 9 - Monday, April 18, 2022

2. Reminders:
Dress Code Reminder:
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Because the building is a learning-focused environment, students should express themselves through their wardrobe within these guidelines:

- No hoods, hats, or headwear inside the building (Religious headwear is welcomed)
- Clothing should be comfortable for learning and appropriate for the school environment:
 - Tops and bottom must cover all undergarments

Gentlemen of Tomorrow - 3:20pm

Explicit content cannot be displayed on garments

This is also a reminder that students should dress in layers as the temperatures do vary from room to room and from morning to afternoon. Jackets and heavy clothing should be placed in lockers.

NJHS Applications:

Attention 6th grade scholars!! The National Junior Honor Society is looking for 6th grade students who are interested in joining our NJHS family. Currently, we are only accepting 6th grade students. All details about application requirements may be found at the application link below. Please visit Ms. Haque (Rm 150) or Ms. Grossman (Rm 115) if you have any questions. Applications are due Friday, April 22nd.

CLICK HERE to apply to NJHS!

8th Grade Send-Off - Dance:

Hello, Parents/Caregivers and Students: For the week of June 6th, we will be celebrating our 8th graders. Our culminating event will be a semi-formal dance on June 10th, from 7:00pm - 9:00pm. To ensure this event is a success, we are asking for the help of parents/caregivers.

Please consider volunteering and/or donating by using the link provided - https://forms.gle/yu4hAoV4ZxmvwTeK7.

8th Grade Promotion:

Promotion will be held on the morning of June 16th at Magruder High School. There will be more information coming, once we get closer to the date.

If you have any questions regarding the 8th-grade dance and/or promotion, please contact Diana Grimsley at Diana_M_Grimsley@mcpsmd.org

DON'T MISS OUT! YEARBOOK ON SALE:

Our yearbook sale is on! Order your yearbook at https://yearbookforever.com/schools/redland_middle_school_buy_yearbook_308799 If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to our yearbook advisor, Ms. Diana Pham at Diana_Pham@mcpsmd.org. You may also upload photos to the snap, using Passcode: Redland

Calling all 8th graders! Upload your baby photo to the snap to be added to our yearbook. Make sure you get a parent's permission before uploading. If you are able to select an album, please select Baby Photos. Baby photos Due by April 8th.

Summer School (Current 8th Grade Students):

High School Summer School information is now available for current 8th grade (rising 9th grade) students who would like to retake a high school credited course for a better grade. For example, if a student would like to

improve one or more of their high school transcript semester grades for Algebra, Geometry, Spanish or French, they have the option to retake those courses through summer school.

The link below contains detailed information of all the courses available and important deadlines. Registration for Session 1 opens March 24th and ends May 27th, it will be available through ParentVUE accounts. Please contact Mr. Megary, 8th grade counselor, if you have any additional questions after reviewing the summer school website.

https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/extendedhours/summerschool/courses.aspx

3. Counseling Corner Updates:

School-Wide Signs of Suicide (SOS) Lesson

All MCPS students in Grades 6 through 12 will participate in a class lesson, including video clips and discussion, on the topic of suicide prevention. After the lesson, students will fill out a form to let the school's student well-being team know if they would like to talk to someone to get help for themselves or a friend.

At Redland Middle School, the SOS lessons will be implemented through social studies classes between March 31st and April 8th. Students also will receive handouts that include a student newsletter and a list of school, local, and national resources that are available to support mental health needs.

If you have any questions or concerns about this program, please do not hesitate to contact your child's counselor or Jay Megary, counseling department chair, at 240-740-0910.

Counselor Contact Information- Office phone (240)740-0910

Mrs. Finch- 6th grade

Melissa S Finch@mcpsmd.org

Mx. Klotz- 7th grade

Sarah Klotz@mcpsmd.org

Mr. Megary- 8th grade and Department Head

Jay Megary@mcpsmd.org

4. PTA Notes:

The PTA would like to do our best to show our support and bring some happiness to families in Ukraine.

A donation drive has started at:

St. Andrew Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral - 15100 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring, MD 20905

Here are some of the items that the church is collecting:

First aid kits: Medical Supply (band aids, Neosporin, ibuprofen, vitamins etc.) Nonperishable foods Meat cans, dry soups, coffee, energy bars candy/chocolate, Personal Hygiene. soaps (bars only) toothpaste, toothbrushes

Virtual Donations - Below are some links which will allow you to contribute:

Here is a link to their Amazon wish list if someone would like to purchase and have it mailed to the church.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2ADMR0OG6MBVX?ref_=wl_share&fbclid=lwAR2Al237PHmJvG2PMBgTdGkhxUm40NvAtgThD7WHH6D8UPJaLfyWFGAQupE

Here is a link to their site if someone wants to make a monetary donation

https://www.standrewuoc.org/

PTA Membership: Become a Member: https://redland.memberhub.com/store Did you know PTA memberships provide discounts and free perks?

Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers to assist us for upcoming events. Spring Fling (May 7), 8th Grade Send-Off and Teacher Appreciation. Please access this <u>Google Form</u> to sign up.

Restaurant Night:

Fry Guy "Southern Homestyle Cuisine" – Thursday 4/28 2:00pm - 8:00pm

April 5th PTA Meeting - 7:00pm

Guest Speakers: Anjeanette Blunt & Ashley Williams, both therapists,

Topic: "Managing Anxiety, Panic, Fear, and Burnout: Signs, Symptoms, and Effective Coping Strategies"

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Stay in the know with the PTA:

- 1) Look for the PTA link at the top of the RMS website
- 2) Find and like us on Facebook! @RedlandPTA

5. MCPS Communication and Information:

NEW***Summer Camp:

Students currently in 6th or 7th grade will have two potential opportunities to engage in STEM enrichment in summer 2022 through our STEMming from Space or Agricultural Experience Camps. These camps are entirely free of charge including snack, lunch, all activities, and field trips due a very generous grant from Howard Hughes Medical Institute. Details for both camps are displayed below.

STEMming from Space

Location: Frost Middle School in Rockville, MD

Program Description: Students explore the physics behind rocketry, hydraulic motion, potential and kinetic energy, and human flight during an action packed week full of STEM challenges and competitions to support student learning and develop their scientific and engineering skills. The camp also includes a field trip to the Glenn Martin Aviation Museum where students learn about the history of flight and get to see the inner workings of a real airplane.

Target Audience: Rising 7th and 8th Grade Students

Dates: Session 1 - July 18-22 Session 2 – July 25-29

Time: 8:45-3:15

Field Trip: Glenn Martin Aviation Museum on the Thursday of each session.

Interest Form Survey: Space Interest Form (Click link to complete the form)

Agricultural Experiences

Location: Montgomery Village Middle School in Gaithersburg, MD

Program Description: Students explore the various segments of agriculture including horticulture, agritourism, animal science, food science, commodities, and careers. The Agricultural Experiences camp engages students through an interactive program aimed to provide students with hands-on opportunities through laboratory activities and field experiences at three local farms during the week.

Target Audience: Rising 7th and 8th Grade Students

Dates: August 1-5

Time: 8:45-3:15

Field Trips: Three local farms on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of the week

Interest Form Survey: Ag Ex Interest Form (Click link to complete the form)

If you are interested in participating in either session of the STEMming from Space camp or the Agricultural Experiences camp, please take a moment to complete the interest survey(s) linked above by Monday, April 11th. Enrollment decisions will be made by Monday, April 25th, 2022. Please note that transportation cannot be provided at this time.

Any questions should be sent to the camp lead (Jim Brameyer) at James_Brameyer@mcpsmd.org. Please do not contact Frost or Montgomery Village Middle School or your home school as all program details, enrollment decisions, and logistics are managed by the PreK-12 Science Team.

Reporting COVID-19 Cases to Redland MS:

We want to remind you to continue to report positive cases of COVID-19 to Redland MS. Please use the Parent Positive COVID-19 Reporting Form: English/Spanish

Students who test positive for COVID-19 may return to school following a 5-day quarantine. Upon a student's return, they must wear a mask for 5 days.

How are you feeling?

We want to remind all our families to **PLEASE** keep students home if they are not feeling well or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. You can report daily absences two ways:

- 1. Call the main office attendance line at 240-740-0905
- 2. Email our attendance secretary: Ms. Neidy P. Juarez

Neidy_P_Juarez@mcpsmd.org

NEW***Vaccine Clinic:

There is a Vaccine Clinic scheduled for Thursday, April 7, at the Park Lane Apartments (8200 Spiceberry Circle). The clinic will include a Spanish speaking doctor to discuss the vaccines and answer questions, food and hygiene product distribution.

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