

KNIGHTLY NEWS

6/5/2023

- 6/5: Band Concert @ Mt Hebron HS 7pm
- 6/6: Rising 9th Graders visit Mt Hebron HS
- 6/7: **3 hr Early Dismissal**
Locker clean out
- 6/8: General Music Showcase 7pm at Patapsco
- 6/9: 8th Grade Promotion @ Mt Hebron HS at 12pm
- 6/9: 8th Grade Dance PTA Sponsored 7 pm
- 6/12: **3 Hr Early Dismissal**
- 6/13: **3 Hr Early Dismissal (activity day- dress to go outside and bring water)**
- 6/14: **Last day of School and 3 Hr Early dismissal**

Important Phone Numbers

School Office: 410-313-2848

Student Services: 410-313-2850

Health Room: 410-313-2574

*Patapsco- a place where **everyone** is valued and important!*

Refer to the [Patapsco Calendar](#) to stay up to date with all the events at Patapsco Middle School.

Locker Clean-out

Students will clean out their lockers on Wednesday, June 7. While they will still be able to utilize their lockers for the bare necessities, we ask that students remove all items they do not need for class. Please have your students bring home items each day so that they will not have a large amount to carry all at once.

Patapsco Middle School Spring Concerts

Please join us for the Music Department's upcoming Spring Concerts. These performances will be a wonderful way to finish out the school year! Performing students should check their class Canvas pages for details.

Patapsco Band - Monday, June 5th, 7pm, MHHS

Patapsco General Music Showcase - Thursday, June 8th, 7pm, at Patapsco

June 5th-9th is HCPSS Pride Week

Patapsco Middle School began our Pride Celebrations on Thursday June 1st, with morning announcements highlighting facts and information about Pride and the LGBTQ+ community. Today, June 5th we kicked-off Pride Week with a spirit day. Patapsco students and staff were encouraged to Wear the Rainbow and wear their favorite color and show their pride! Rainbow

flag pins and #OnePatapsco Rainbow wristbands were also available for students and staff who chose to wear one in support of the LGBTQ+ community. Please visit the [HCPSS Pride site](#) for information about community events throughout the week.

Activity Day next Tuesday

Next Tuesday will be an Activity Day for our students. They will be outside for part of the day so we ask that they wear comfortable clothes that are appropriate for the weather and bring a water bottle.

8th Grade Promotion Ceremony

The 8th grade promotion ceremony will be held on June 9th at noon at Mt. Hebron High School followed by a PTA sponsored evening dance. Click [here](#) for more information about the ceremony and please consider volunteering/chaperoning for the dance.

We need Lawn Games for this Friday. [Please sign-up!](#)

PARKING

All parents who are attending the 8th grade promotion on June 9 must park in the parking lot that is the far lot (student parking). There will be plenty of space since the seniors have graduated Mount Hebron. Please DO NOT park in the bus loop as the High School has ARL students coming and going during our promotion ceremony time.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

View, download, print or subscribe to the [HCPSS 2023-2024 calendar](#) online. The calendar is subject to change; the online calendar reflects the most recent version. There will be no printed 2023-2024 calendars.

Media Center News:

The end of the school year is upon us!
Here are a few reminders:

- All library books are due back by **Friday, June 2nd**. Please place them in the book return bin in the media center.
- Any students who do not return their book(s) will be charged a lost book fee. Students returning damaged book(s) will be charged a replacement fee.

- Summer reading checkout news will be coming out next week.

The Howard County Public Library will be visiting Patapsco Middle School to promote the Summer Reading Program on the following dates during ELA classes:

Friday, June 2nd - 6th Grade

Monday, June 5th - 7th Grade

Wednesday, June 7th - Interested 8th graders

Chromebook Book Reminders:

Please bring fully charged chromebooks and chargers to school daily.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Snyder or Mrs. Murach

HCPSS PreK Program

The HCPSS Pre-K program is accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year with expanded eligibility criteria! Families of children aged four or five by September 1, 2023, may apply. The HCPSS Pre-K program is free to families; some locations are full-day. Families can submit a completed application to hcpss_pk@hcpss.org or their local elementary school. For an application, information about the program, and eligibility guidelines, please visit the HCPSS website or contact Early Childhood Programs at 410-313-6836.

End of Year Withdrawal

If your child is not attending Patapsco Middle School or Mount Hebron High School next year, please see the information below:

I need to transfer my child to another HCPSS school:

If your child attended Patapsco Middle School for the 2022-2023 school year but will be moving to **another HCPSS school** district, please send a copy of your new lease or deed, a current utility bill (if available), and the completed [Change of Address form](#) to Lindsey_Miles@hcpss.org

I will work with your child's new school to complete the transfer process and you will receive a confirmation from the new school once the transfer process is complete.

I need to withdraw my child from HCPSS:

If you need to withdraw your student because you have moved out of Howard County or your child will be attending a private school next year, please fill out the [Withdraw Request Form](#) and email it to Lindsey_Miles@hcpss.org . **Students must return their HCPSS issued chromebook and charger to Patapsco on their last day of attendance.**

Free Summer Meal Program Begins June 21

HCPSS will run a free summer meal program weekdays June 21-Aug. 4. Meals will be served only on days schools are open; there will be no meal service Tuesday, July 4. There are no applications, enrollment or fees to participate in this program, but children must be present to receive free meals. [Additional information](#), including a list of meal sites, is available online.

Mt. Hebron HS Incoming 9th Grade Sports Orientation for Parents

Mt. Hebron will be hosting a parent information session on Monday, June 12th at 6:30 PM for any incoming 9th grade parents who have a student who is interested in participating in high school athletics. Please click [here](#) for more information.

ATTENTION 6th Grade Parents:

Tdap and MCV4 immunizations are due for all current 6th grade students before school starts again on 8/28/23! Please turn in an updated copy of your immunizations to the Health Room asap. These immunizations are needed before students can enter 7th grade. Any questions, please call the Health Room 410-313-2574. Thank you.

PTA News

School Supplies 2023-2024

I am so excited that for the next school year we've partnered with 1st Day School Supplies. They are going to save us up to 30% over shopping at big box stores like Target, Walmart and Amazon. Better yet, they are the undisputed leader in custom kitting school supplies. Providing us with only brand names you trust and respect like Ticonderoga, Crayola, Elmer's and Clorox. So, what are you waiting for? Buy early and save!

Highlights:

- Order Deadline is **July 1**
- PTA earns \$4 per kit ordered
- Kits ship directly to student's home and they guarantee the kits will arrive at least 2 weeks before the start of the school year.
- You can also donate a kit option in the store for those who want to "pay it forward" for our Patapsco students in need. These donated kits will be shipped to the address of the purchaser and you may bring them to school to drop off.

[Flier](#) attached!

Here's the website to start your order: <https://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/>

8th Grade Celebration Help Needed

Please sign up here to help with the 8th Grade celebration.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4ea4a92aa7fa7-8thgrade1#/>

Virtual Parent Information Sessions on Substance Abuse

HCPSS will host [two virtual parent/guardian information sessions](#) on youth mental wellness and substance use on June 8:

- 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. for upper elementary and middle school parents/guardians
- 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. for high school parents/guardians

[Click here](#) for more information.

“Our Time to Thrive”

Howard County Pride is proud to present our first ever T-Shirt Art Competition! This competition is designed to provide an excellent opportunity to local Maryland artists in grades K through 12. Please see the attached [flier](#).

Community Notices

HCPSS’ [Community News and Programs](#) website makes it easy for families to find educational and recreational resources, events and after-school programs beyond the school day by non-profit organizations.”

Community organizations requesting their announcements be shared in school newsletters should visit community-programs.hcpss.org for more information. Questions should be directed to the Public Information Office at publicinfo@hcpss

Knighly Newsletters

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