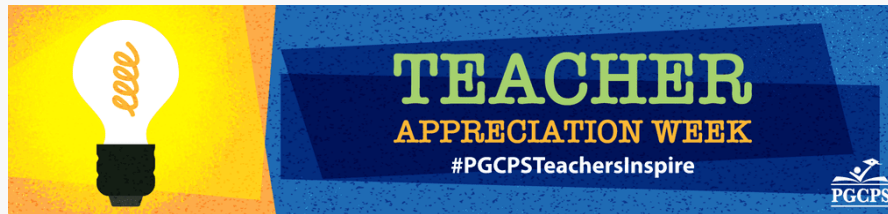


#ThankPGCPSTeachers: Teacher Appreciation Week!



We are excited to recognize our educators for Teacher Appreciation Week, starting today!

Last week, we held a contest to nominate a teacher who shines bright in your school community. Self-nomination was also allowed. Winners will be announced next week along with special offers for all educators!



Teacher Appreciation Week

College & Career Decision Day Recap

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS COLLEGE AND CAREER DECISION DAY 2023



PGCPS kicked off the 2023 [graduation season](#) last week with the first-ever systemwide [College and Career Decision Day](#)! Hosted by the Departments of Student Services and Career and Technical Education, Decision Day brought together about 3,000 seniors from across 20 high schools as they announced their future plans.

[Decision Day Photo Gallery](#)

[Photo Gallery: Student Submissions](#)

PGCPS Continues to Lead in Green Schools



PGCPS continues to lead the state in green schools!

[Read More](#)

PGCPS and UMD Renew Partnership



Last week, we renewed our partnership with the University of Maryland College of Education and the Center for Educational Innovation and Improvement for a shared institutional commitment to preparing high-quality teachers and leveraging research for school improvement.

Spotlight

Washington Post Teacher, Principal of the Year Finalists



Fort Foote Elementary Principal Dr. Ryan Daniel and Robert Goddard Montessori teacher Karuna Skariah are finalists for *The Washington Post* Principal of the Year and Teacher of the Year awards, respectively!

[Read More](#)

In The News

College & Career Decision Day



See highlights from Decision Day via [NBC 4](#), [ABC7](#) and [WTOP](#).

Untold Story of Muhammad Ali and Parkdale HS Prom

Did you know that Muhammad Ali made a special guest appearance at the 1976 Parkdale High School Prom? [Check it out!](#)

Announcements & Professional Development

Wellness Resources

Your wellness is a priority! Learn about wellness resources offered through the Department of Benefits Services. Principals can also offer school-level wellness events for staff. Explore individual and group wellness resources through [Wellness 360](#), [WellSet](#), and [more](#).

For questions about wellness resources or to schedule school-level activities, email wellness.benefits@pgcps.org.

Mental Health Awareness Month



May is Mental Health Awareness Month! Check out our recent [Wellness Wednesday session](#) on the connection between social media and student mental health.

Win a Mindfulness Zone for Your School!



For Teacher Appreciation Week, Walden University is giving away a mindfulness meditation zone for a classroom or school. [Enter to win](#) through May 31.

Update: Maryland Strategic Planning Survey

The final phase of the Strategic Plan will launch in June. Share your input with the State Board of Education and Maryland State Department of Education.

[Survey](#)

Board of Education Seeks Public Comment on AED Proposal

On April 27, the Prince George's County Board of Education approved the revised policy 5168 on Automated External Defibrillators for public comment before adoption. In addition to the online form, comments may be submitted to testimony@pgcps.org by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 12.

ICYMI: In Case You Missed It

Empowering Your Learning — Summer Edition



Save the date: The Technology Training Team's popular Empowering Your Learning Conference will be held **Wednesday, June 21 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

[Learn More](#)

Retirement Celebration & Benefit



The Excellence in Education Foundation for PGCPES will host a retirement celebration and benefit in honor of CEO Dr. Monica Goldson on Friday, June 23. All proceeds from this event will support students through the foundation!

[Tickets](#)

Help Students Experiencing Homelessness



Receive training to become a trusted point of contact for students experiencing homelessness through the McKinney-Vento Ally Partners Program. Some staff may be eligible for workshop pay. The last training is on Wednesday, May 24 at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom.

[Register](#)

PGCPS Paparazzi

PGCPS hosted a “Homecoming” teacher recruitment event over the weekend for former educators!



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