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PGCPS Express: Fall Learning Plans Announced

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Get the Scoop

CEO Announces Full-Time In-Person Learning for Fall



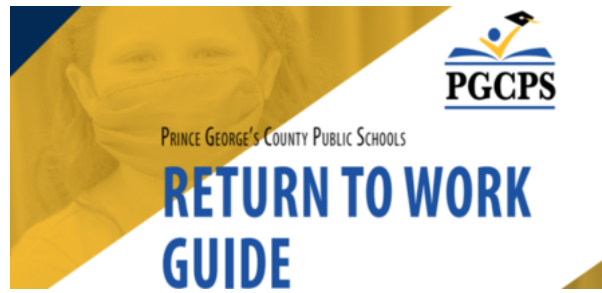
CEO Dr. Monica Goldson has [announced](#) plans to welcome most students back to classrooms for full-time, in-person learning this fall. A limited virtual learning program and new Online Campus will also be options for families. Learn more at [Reconnect PGCPS](#).

Year-End Technology Closeout Tips



The last day of school for teachers is Wednesday, June 16. To assist staff in closing out the school year, the Technology Training Team (T3) has compiled guidance on summer procedures for student devices and how to secure and export data from digital tools. [View](#)

Return to Work Guidance for Staff



Given continued easing of social distancing guidelines throughout Prince George's County, all employees must return to their work location daily, effective **Monday, June 21**. Please review the updated *Return to Work Guide* in the Staff Portal. Questions should be directed to your supervisor and division chief.

Join the CEO's Summer Book Study!



Join CEO Dr. Monica Goldson for the [2nd Annual Summer Book Study](#), Tiffany Jewell's *This Book is Anti-Racist: 20 Lessons on how to Wake Up, Take Action, and Do the Work!*

Discussions will be held on June 30, July 7 and July 14 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Each session will include activities to deepen your understanding of allyship and strategies on dismantling systems of oppression. Watch this [video](#) and [register today!](#)

Make the Most of Summer Break

The excitement of summer will soon begin and teachers can take some time for themselves. Whether planning a safe trip away to visit relatives or just staying home and spending time with your family, remember to embrace relaxation and self-care.

This past year has been challenging and an uphill journey. Summer is a perfect time to slow down and dial it back. Engage in activities like yoga, cooking or walking to restore a sense of well-being. Try to enjoy the moment and not worry about the day ahead.



Reminder: The [last day of school](#) for students is Tuesday, June 15, with a two-hour early dismissal. There is also an early dismissal Monday, June 14. The last day for teachers will be Wednesday, June 16.

In the Spotlight

A Winning Lesson in Science and Language Arts!



Red eyes staring at me. I blink. You disappear for seventeen years.

William Wirt Middle School teachers Rachel Post and Mark Tetrick entered their class haiku poem on cicadas into a national competition where they emerged as one of 17 winners of nearly 500 entries! Students won prizes from the Audubon Naturalist Society and their winning poem will be published on the Friend to Cicadas website.

#PGCPS Proud: Excellence in CTE



Congratulations to Amy Rock of our Career and Technical Education program who was named Educator of the Year in the annual Maryland Center for Construction Education & Innovation Pathway Awards!

Nominate a colleague who makes you #PGCPS Proud by sending their name, office/school, photo and a brief description (100 words or less) to communications@pgcps.org. Submissions may be edited for length, clarity or grammar.

Benefits Services: Our Focus Is You

New Online Fitness & Wellness Services Available



Wellness 360 has partnered with [BurnAlong](#) to offer an unforgettable employee wellness experience. BurnAlong features thousands of online classes for all ages, interests, and levels plus the social motivation needed to achieve your health and wellness goals. Classes range from five to more than 60 minutes, are taught by local instructors across 45+ wellness categories.



How does it help me?

PGCPS is partnering with BurnAlong to help make it easier for you to stay healthy. BurnAlong gives you an easy and motivating way to exercise, no matter where you are.

How does it work?

Once your BurnAlong account is created, you get access to our entire library of video health and wellness classes. You can exercise on your own, or with a coworker or friend (who you can see and hear on the screen as well).

How much does it cost?

It's Free! PGCPS is taking care of the full cost of BurnAlong and giving you unlimited access. Create your account today to take advantage of this benefit.

Can my family join?

Absolutely! You can add up to four users at no cost, included with your BurnAlong account.

- Simply log in to your BurnAlong account.
- Go to "My Profile."
- Scroll down to "Add Free User."

Can I get BurnAlong on my TV?

Yes! BurnAlong is not an app on your television but you can cast from the BurnAlong app.

For questions, contact wellness.benefits@pgcps.org or CustomerCare@BurnAlong.com.

Announcements and Professional Development

Drop-In Vaccination Clinics at Schools

FREE

VACCINATION CLINICS

for students



June 7-15 at select high schools



Students ages 12 and over may receive a free COVID-19 vaccine at mobile clinics run by the Prince George's County Health Department. Vaccines will be administered in their mobile unit at the school sites below. Parents or guardians are welcome to accompany their child, but are not required to do so. All students must bring completed [consent forms](#) to be vaccinated.

Monday, June 14: Potomac High School

Tuesday, June 15: Friendly High School

8th Annual Excellence in Education Foundation Golf Tournament



The Excellence in Education Foundation for PGCPS, Inc. will host the 8th Annual Golfing for Education Tournament on June 16, at the Oak Creek Golf Course to raise funds for academic programming and scholarship opportunities for students. The Foundation has raised more than \$1 million dollars to support more than 300 students since its inception in 2012. This year, 58 graduating seniors will be awarded a total of \$175,000 in scholarships to pursue higher education. Thank you to this year's Tournament sponsors!

ICYMI: In Case You Missed It

New Opportunity to Support Homeownership



PGCPS has partnered with [Landed](#), an organization designed to assist employees in managing one of the biggest challenges they face outside of work—finding affordable housing within a reasonable commuting distance to our campus and offices.

Learn how to receive up to \$80,000 in down payment funds to buy a home. You do not need to be a first-time buyer, there is no income restriction and the program is open to all employees.

Learn more at an [information session](#) on **Wednesday, June 16 from noon to 1 p.m.**

Aspiring Leaders Program Registration Now Open

Registration is now open for the [2021-2022 Aspiring Leaders Program](#). The Aspiring Leaders Program is an integral component of the school system's comprehensive leadership development pathway and provides leadership development opportunities for

qualified teacher leaders who are actively seeking their first assignment as assistant principal. [Applications](#) will be accepted through Friday, June 18.

Advance Your Education with ACE

American College of Education (ACE) has partnered with PGCPSS to offer employees opportunities to further your education by selecting course offerings to meet your needs. If you are interested in furthering your education, contact [ACE](#) today!

Reminder: Masks Mandatory Inside PGCPSS Facilities



In line with [Prince George's County's phased reopening plans](#), masks/face coverings continue to be mandatory inside of schools and office buildings. Please note the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) recommends schools continue current COVID-19 prevention strategies, including mask-wearing indoors, for the remainder of the academic year. These guidelines apply to all employees and visitors.

#TeachWithUs: Spread the Word About PGCPSS Careers!

#TeamPGCPSS: It's time to get social! Here are three ways you can get involved as a #PGCPSPride ambassador to help us spread the word about careers with PGCPSS:

1. **DOWNLOAD & DISPLAY** a social media banner and Zoom background to [show](#) your #PGCPSPride!
2. **SHARE** our [#TeachWithUs message](#) with your social media networks.
3. **REFER** a [teacher interested](#) in learning more about PGCPSS careers for a chance to win!

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