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PGCPS Express: Graduation Season Begins!

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Get the Scoop

Future Ready: Hats Off to the Class of 2021

This week, Academy of Health Sciences at Prince George's Community College kicked off graduation season in Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS). The school boasts the first grads from the Allied Health Teaching program. In partnership with PGCC, we are also celebrating the first class of <u>P-</u> <u>TECH</u> graduates.



Graduation ceremonies will continue through

June 2. Visit the Future Ready webpage for a closer look at what's in store for the Class of 2021.



New School Construction Underway



Groundbreakings for the new Glenridge Area Middle School in Landover and a replacement building for William Wirt Middle School in Riverdale are the first in what will be nine schools under construction by summer!

Get The Facts About COVID-19



It can be difficult to sort through all the information about COVID-19 vaccines.

Earvin "Magic" Johnson, Chairman and CEO of SODEXMagic, <u>encourages communities</u> to talk to their doctors and get the facts. With <u>#GetTheFacts</u>, Johsnon and his team share educational and science-based information to support employees in making personal decisions about COVID-19 vaccines.

Top photo: State Superintendent Dr. Karen Salmon (2nd from right) visited Oxon Hill Middle and High Schools earlier this week. Also pictured are Oxon Hill Middle School Acting Principal Tiwana Cook, State Board of Education (SBOE) Parent Member Lori Morrow, CEO Dr. Monica Goldson and SBOE President Clarence Crawford.

In the Spotlight

PGCPS Welcomes New Chief of Staff

Mychael Dickerson joined PGCPS this week as Chief of Staff.

Mychael most recently served as Chief of Staff for Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS). He was previously BCPS Chief Communications Officer and Executive Director of Communications, Community Outreach and Public Policy for Henrico County Public Schools in Richmond, Virginia. Welcome to #TeamPGCPS, Mychael!



#PGCPS Proud



Kenmore Middle School teacher Carol Carter has been named the Maryland History Day District Teacher of the Year.

Maryland Humanities selected a District Teacher of the Year for each county with participating schools in the annual Maryland History Day competition.

Maryland History Day promotes an appreciation for historical research among middle and high school students through multiple annual programs, including the National History Day Contest.

Rosa Parks Elementary Teachers Praised for Going 'Above and Beyond'

Rosa Parks Elementary School parent Cindy Gonzalez gives high marks to her children's teachers.

Math teacher **Denise Hector** was instrumental in improving her son's skills and confidence. "Ms. Hector has made herself available after class time to help my son and she has made this an awesome experience for him," Gonzalez said.

She appreciates her daughter's second-grade teacher, **Lanee Sheffield**, for being personable, professional and always positive: "She has made this distance learning experience so hands-on while keeping students' attention with a lot of love and a smile on her face."

PG13: "Rebuilding the Team"



In <u>Episode 12</u> of high school sports series *PG13*, the Charles Herbert Flowers High School community comes together to coordinate athletic opportunities for students as Coach Dameon Powell looks forward to a return to normalcy.

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

Benefits Services: Our Focus Is You

#HealthyPGCPS: "Sweet" Holiday Recipe

Memorial Day weekend is just around the corner and here is a dish to satisfy any sweet tooth. This no-bake <u>American flag cake is</u> decorated with fresh berries for a patriotic treat that comes together in 20 minutes.



Announcements and Professional Development

Paid Professional Learning Opportunities Available for School Staff

Schools play a significant role in supporting the health and well-being of children and youth, including those affected by traumatic experiences. These sessions are specially designed to educate school staff about trauma and trauma-sensitive practices.

Educators will have the option of attending one or both workshops.

- Understanding Trauma and Its Impact includes information about the prevalence of trauma, its impact on children and youth, and implications for schools.
- Building Trauma-Sensitive Schools introduces all school staff to the concept of trauma- sensitive schools, why it is important to adopt a trauma-sensitive approach and trauma-sensitive practices for use in the classroom and school wide.

Participants will have access to an online module, downloadable handouts, and participate in a facilitated group session. Please take this brief <u>survey</u> to help you decide which workshop is the best fit for you. Registration is open in MyPPS using the course titles.

Feedback Wanted: PGCPS Equity Strategic Plan

Share your thoughts on the <u>Emerging Strategic Framework (ESF)</u> that will guide development of the PGCPS Equity Strategic Plan! After viewing our short <u>introductory</u> <u>video</u>, submit feedback via a <u>short questionnaire</u>.



ICYMI: In Case You Missed It

New "Teacher Talk" Webinar Series



English Teacher International High School @Langley Park

Dr. Carletta Marrow Associate Superintendent for High Schools PGCPS Earl Todd Building Supervisor S C.H. Flowers High School Dr

Sunta Dawson-Harris Social Studies Teacher Dr. Henry A. Wise Jr. High School

RSVP at www.lifechangeroftheyear.com/teachertalk/pgcps



On Wednesday, May 26, <u>hear from teachers and staff</u> on how we keep students and staff safe as schools reopen in the first session of LifeChanger of the Year's TeacherTalk series for educators in the DC area!

On-Demand Wellness Sessions

For Teacher Appreciation Week, we encouraged educators to take a daily dose of self-care. If you missed the virtual sessions provided by Kaiser Permanente, please check out the links below.

- Stress Management Click here to watch the program.
- Transformational Thinking/Mindful Meditation Click <u>here</u> to watch the program.
- Reflective Journaling Click here to watch the program.

#TeachWithUs: Spread the Word About PGCPS Careers!

#TeamPGCPS: 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 PGCPS:

1. **DOWNLOAD & DISPLAY** a social media banner and Zoom background to <u>show</u> your #PGCPSPride!

2. SHARE our <u>#TeachWithUs message</u> with your social media networks.

3. **REFER** a <u>teacher interested</u> in learning more about PGCPS careers for a chance to win!

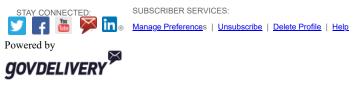
Reminder: SafeSchools Trainings

Employees are encouraged to complete any outstanding <u>SafeSchools</u> training modules.

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