



CCES Sunday Night Call – January 7, 2024



Early Dismissal:

Students will be dismissed at 12:30 this Friday January 12th to allow teachers to participate in much needed teacher professional development. As a reminder, there is no 1/2 day prekindergarten on early dismissal days.

January 15th Closure:

Schools and offices will be closed tomorrow, Monday January 15th in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr's birthday.



Report Card Distribution

The Second-quarter marking period ends this Friday January 12th and report cards will be available to parents Friday January 26th through Home Access Center. A copy of the report card will be sent home with your child on Friday January 26th. Parents are encouraged to review the Home Access Center to review your child's academic progress, celebrate successes and set goals for improvement where necessary.

8:45 On Time By 9!

Thank you to families for your intentional effort in arriving to school by 8:45 daily! As we have returned from Winter Break, we are seeing an increase in the number of students arriving after 9am. As a reminder, arriving by 8:45 allows students to be ready for instruction which begins promptly at 9am. As a reminder, students who arrive after 8:45 often struggle to be ready for instruction at 9am.

Celebrating and Encouraging POSITIVE Student Behavior:

CCES celebrates our mission to make an intentional effort to recognize and celebrate students when they demonstrate positive behavior. This mindset allows every adult within CCES to regularly find opportunities to celebrate and reinforce positive student behaviors. Parents are asked to join us in reinforcing this positive message by helping your child identify practical ways that they can demonstrate positive behavior throughout the school day.



Student Attendance:

There is significant evidence that students who attend school regularly benefit in many ways. Church Creek Elementary School has a goal for students to attend school 95% of the school year. This means that students should not miss more than 9 school days. Students who miss greater than 9 days are considered chronically absent. Knowing if your child is too sick for school is important, please see the 'When is my child too sick for school' flier below.



In the month of December, our school wide attendance was **88.24%**. Illness sure hit our community hard in December and we hope to start this new year healthy and ready for school. The class with highest attendance on each grade level is below. Thank you for your support in reaching this goal!

- Pre K- Mrs. Greig's Afternoon Class (89.8%)
- Kindergarten- Mrs. Olin (92.5%)
- 1st- Mrs. Mori (91.89%)
- 2nd- Ms. Oxendine (92.76%)
- 3rd- Mrs. Tracy (94.01%- who also has the best attendance in the school!)
- 4th- Mrs. Still (92.52%)
- 5th- Ms. Gentry (91.89%)
- CSP- Mrs. Pink (84.38%)

CHURCH CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OUR MISSION

- Collaborating
- Celebrating
- Empowering
- Serving our community



OUR VISION

- To thrive.
- Always learning.
- Always growing.



Upcoming Calendar Events:

January:

- 12th- 3-hour Early Dismissal, Teacher Professional Development
- 12th- End of 2nd Quarter
- 15th- School Closure- Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday
- 16th- First day of 3rd Quarter
- 26th- 3-hour Early Dismissal, Teacher Professional Development
- 26th- Report Cards available to parents through HAC

February:

- 16th- 3-hour Early Dismissal, Teacher Professional Development
- 19th- School Closure- Presidents' Day

March:

- 1st-Kindergarten Registration Opens

January 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	X WINTER BREAK SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED New Year's Day	X Schools Open Winter Break	X	X	X	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Board of Education Public Meeting A.A. Roberts Bldg. at 6:00 p.m.				2 nd Quarter/ 1 st Semester Ends 3-hour Early Dismissal for All Students *Half-day prekindergarten will not meet. Grades Posted to HAC	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	X HOLIDAY SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday Observance	3 rd Quarter/ 2 nd Semester Begins				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Board of Education Public Meeting A.A. Roberts Bldg. at 6:00 p.m.				3-hour Early Dismissal for All Students *Half-day prekindergarten will not meet. Grades Posted to HAC Report Cards Distributed	
28	29	30	31	IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT TESTING TO TAKE PLACE IN JANUARY The Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) includes state required assessments that include, but are not limited to, English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA/L), and Mathematics Assessments, Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA), Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA), Social Studies Grade 8, and High School Assessment (HSA) in American Government. Please visit www.hcps.org for the comprehensive list of assessments as well as the countywide testing windows. For school specific testing dates, please contact your child's school.		

February 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT TESTING TO TAKE PLACE IN FEBRUARY The Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) includes state required assessments that include, but are not limited to, English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA/L) and Mathematics Assessments, Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA), Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA), Social Studies Grade 8, and High School Assessment (HSA) in American Government. Please visit www.hcps.org for the comprehensive list of assessments as well as the countywide testing windows. For school specific testing dates, please contact your child's school.						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		National School Counseling Week (5-9)			Grades Posted to HAC	Administration of the ACT
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
				Board of Education Public Meeting A.A. Roberts Bldg. at 6:00 p.m.	3-hour Early Dismissal for All Students *Half-day prekindergarten will not meet.	National PTA Founders Day
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	X HOLIDAY SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED Presidents' Day		St. Valentine's Day			
25	26	27	28	29		
	Board of Education Public Meeting A.A. Roberts Bldg. at 6:00 p.m.				Grades Posted to HAC	



WHEN IS SICK TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?



Send me to school if...

I have a runny nose or just a little cough, but no other symptoms.

I haven't taken any fever reducing medicine for 24 hours, and I haven't had a fever during that time.

I haven't thrown up or had any diarrhea for 24 hours.



Adapted with permission from Baltimore City Public Schools.



Keep me at home if...

I have a temperature higher than 100 degrees even after taking medicine.

I'm throwing up or have diarrhea.

My eyes are pink and crusty.



Call the doctor if...

I have a temperature higher than 100 degrees for more than two days.

I've been throwing up or have diarrhea for more than two days.

I've had the sniffles for more than a week, and they aren't getting better.

I still have asthma symptoms after using my asthma medicine (and call 911 if I'm having trouble breathing after using an inhaler).

WELLNESS WEDNESDAY LUNCH & LEARN SERIES

In response to parent concerns about student health and well-being, Harford County Public Schools is partnering with ParentGuidance.org to deliver presentations developed by licensed therapists. This series will be virtual, interactive, and is designed to help parents and caregivers support students. Registration, attendance and interactions are kept totally anonymous from other viewers.



TIME: 12:00–1:00 pm via Zoom

To Register Early... scan the QR code or click the link



WED. SEPT. 20
"Supporting Your Child's Mental Health"
<http://cookcenter.info/Sep20Harford>



WED. FEB 21
"Effects of Screen Time"
<http://cookcenter.info/Feb21Harford>



WED. OCT. 18
"Building Your Child's Confidence"
<http://cookcenter.info/Oct18Harford>



WED. MARCH 20
"Your Child's Anxiety"
<http://cookcenter.info/Mar20Harford>



WED. NOV. 15
"Bullying - Stop the Cycle"
<http://cookcenter.info/Nov15Harford>



WED. APRIL 10
"Establishing Healthy Boundaries"
<http://cookcenter.info/Apr10Harford>



WED. DEC. 13
"Social Media - Protecting Your Child"
<http://cookcenter.info/Dec13Harford>



WED. MAY 15
"Suicide Prevention"
<http://cookcenter.info/May15Harford>



WED. JAN. 17
"Depression - You're Not Alone"
<http://cookcenter.info/Jan17Harford>



WED. JUNE 5
"Substance Use & Vaping"
<http://cookcenter.info/Jun5Harford>



For more information please contact Mary Beth Stapleton at Mary.Stapleton@hcps.org



PARENT ACADEMY



MATT GOLCZEWSKI MEMORIAL FUND, INC.



INTRODUCING FREE ONLINE TUTORING!



tutor



Harford County Public Schools is pleased to partner with FEV Tutor to provide your students with live, one on one, virtual tutoring! Students can get help with their homework in Math, English, Social Studies, & Science.

OPTION 1: BOOK AN APPOINTMENT

Email md@fevtutor.com to set a schedule.

Include:



- Student's full name
- Your school district
- Subject for tutoring
- Schedule request
 - (Ex: Math on Monday/Wednesdays at 5 pm)

OPTION 2: GET ON-DEMAND HELP



- Students access FEV through their Clever account*
- Click "Request an On-Demand Session"
- Select the subject and course for support
- Our team will find an available tutor to help your student with their homework or question



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2023-2024 CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

AUGUST

17Th - 18F New Teachers on Duty
 21M - 25F All Teachers on Duty - Professional Development
 28M Opening of Schools for Students K-12
 30W Opening of Schools for PreK Students

SEPTEMBER

4M Holiday - Schools & Offices Closed
 15F Holiday - Schools & Offices Closed
 22F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students
 25M Holiday - Schools & Offices Closed

OCTOBER

19Th** 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students
 20F Professional Development - Schools Closed for Students

NOVEMBER

2Th 1st Quarter Ends
 3F Professional Development - Schools Closed for Students
 6M 2nd Quarter Begins
 10F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for Schools & Offices
 22W** 3-hour Early Dismissal for Schools & Offices
 23Th - 24F Thanksgiving Break - Schools & Offices Closed

DECEMBER

8F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students
 22F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for Schools & Offices
 25M - 26T Winter Break - Schools & Offices Closed
 27W - 29F Winter Break - Schools Closed for Students

JANUARY

1M Winter Break - Schools & Offices Closed
 12F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students
 2nd Quarter/1st Semester Ends
 15M Holiday - Schools & Offices Closed
 16T 3rd Quarter/2nd Semester Begins
 26F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students

FEBRUARY

16F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students
 19M Holiday - Schools & Offices Closed

MARCH

22F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students
 3rd Quarter Ends
 25M -26T Professional Development - Schools Closed for Students
 27W-29F Spring Break - Schools & Offices Closed

APRIL

1M Spring Break - Schools & Offices Closed
 2T 4th Quarter Begins

MAY

14T Primary Election Day - Schools & Offices Closed
 24F** 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students
 27M Holiday - Schools & Offices Closed

JUNE

3M Scheduled Last Day of School for PreK Students
(If NO inclement weather make-up days are used)
 5W 4th Quarter/2nd Semester Ends
 3-hour Early Dismissal for all Students
 Scheduled Last Day of School for K-11 Students
(If NO inclement weather make-up days are used)
 6Th* Professional Development
 Scheduled Last Day for Teachers
(If NO inclement weather make-up days are used)
 Inclement Weather Make-up Date 1
 7F* Inclement Weather Make-up Date 2
 10M* Inclement Weather Make-up Date 3
 11T* Inclement Weather Make-up Date 4
 Scheduled Last Day of School for PreK Students
(If ALL scheduled inclement weather make-up days are used)
 12W* Inclement Weather Make-up Date 5
 13Th* Inclement Weather Make-up Date 6
 Scheduled Last Day of School for K-11 Students
(If ALL scheduled inclement weather make-up days are used)
 14F* Professional Development Make-up Date
 Scheduled Last Day for Teachers
(If ALL scheduled inclement weather make-up days are used)
 19W Holiday - Offices Closed

*Reminder: Potential inclement weather make-up dates are marked with numbered snowflakes in June. These dates will be used in numerical order, beginning with Thursday, June 6, 2024. Inclement weather days/emergency systemwide closings cannot be predicted. It is recommended that vacations not be scheduled until after June 13, 2024, to avoid scheduling conflicts.

June 6	June 7	June 10	June 11	June 12	June 13
1	2	3	4	5	6

**Half-day prekindergarten will not meet on scheduled early dismissal dates.