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WORTHINGTON CALENDAR

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES HCPSS Approved Calendar 23/24

- March 22: Last Day to Buy Orioles Tickets Online Ticket Ordering
- March 25-April I: Spring Break-Schools Closed for Students
- April 7: PTA Restaurant Fundraiser @ Manor Hill Tavern
- April 8, 9, 11 & 12: 5th Grade MCAP Reading Testing
- April 9: End of 3rd Marking Period & WoES Spirit Wear Day
 PTA Meeting: <u>Join virtually at 7 pm</u>
- April 10: Schools Closed for Students Professional Work Day for Staff
- April 15–17, 19: 5th Grade MCAP Reading Testing
- April 17: Report Cards Issued
- April 27: Yearbook Ordering Deadline

NOTES FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

Dear Worthington Community,

Please join us in congratulating Ria T, a WoES fourth grader who finished among the **final eleven students** in the Howard County Spelling Bee. The competition started with 55 participants and Ria persevered until the 4th round. A Clarksville Middle School student took home the top honor. I thank Ria and her family for representing the Worthington community with class and grace.

Have a great spring break,

Robert C. Bruce

FROM THE PTA

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WoES Orioles Game Night Ticket Sales close TONIGHT – March 22!

Wow! Over 150 WoES community members are joining us on April 26th at Camden Yards to enjoy a night out watching the O's! If you haven't picked up your tickets yet, make sure you do so today as we will be closing sales to meet our order deadline. We hope you can make it!

https://worthingtonespta.memberhub.com/w/oriolesgamenight

Save the Date: Sunday 4/7 from 10 am to 10 pm @ Manor Hill Tavern

Join us at Manor Hill Tavern in Old Ellicott City on Sunday, April 7th between 10:00 am and 10:00 pm. Give the flier (paper copy coming home with your child(ren) after Spring Break!) to your server or while picking up your to-go order for Worthington PTA to earn 15% of sales. Thank you for your support!

Sunday, April 7 th 10:00 am to 10:00 pm Manor Hill Tavern 3733 Old Columbia Pike	Tra Our Counter File Tra Our Counter
Ellicott City, MD 21043	server/bartenoer warne:
15% of proceeds will be donated to the Worthington Elementary PTA!	

Spirit Wear Day: 4/9 to mark the end of the 3rd Marking Period

Let's celebrate the end of the 3rd Marking Period by wearing our Worthington Spirit Wear or colors! 🐾

PTA Monthly Meeting: 4/9 at 7pm over Zoom

We'd love to see more families attend our monthly meetings. You can join us from the comfort of your home as we meet over Zoom.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82928857134?pwd=emkzdjFiSHhCNIFUZzZHQIIJSIBnQT 09 Meeting ID: 829 2885 7134

Passcode: 765631

Multicultural Spring Fair – May 31, 5:30pm – 7:30pm

We are excited to combine two great Worthington Events, the Multicultural Fair and the End of the Year Spring Party to hold a Multicultural Spring Fair on Friday, May 31 from 5:30pm – 7:30pm!

If you would like to represent your culture by having a display, providing food samples, doing a performance, teaching an activity, etc., please sign up! We encourage all cultures and regions, from both the United States (New England, Creole, etc.) and internationally, to join us.

Sign up here: https://forms.gle/cGfJjTCZKet9oSAi9

We would love more volunteers to help us sign up and make this last event of the school year grand! If you can help, we would very much appreciate it, please sign up here to volunteer:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E44A9AB22AAF85-48533117-multicultural #/

WoES PTA Needs New Board Members for the 24'-25' School Year

We are still looking for interested people to be PTA board members for next school year! The current board has put the PTA in great shape for the new board to take over. We hope to keep supporting the students and staff next year, and we can only do that with a PTA. Please reach out to Kristie to learn more! WorthingtonPTAPresident@gmail.com

INSIDER INFORMATION

Yearbooks Are on Sale!

Yearbooks for the 23/24 school year are available online for ordering. Orders will be accepted through April 27th. Log on: <u>ybpay.com</u> and Use the code: 15114224.

Kindergarten Registration Now Open

<u>Registration for the 2024–2025 school year</u> is now open. Parents/guardians of children who will be five on or before September I, 2024, must enroll their children in kindergarten for the 2024–2025 school year.

**Current HCPSS prekindergarten students do not need to register for kindergarten.

Howard County Rec & Parks Spring Afterschool Programs

Please see the Spring 2024 Before/After School Classes flier for Worthington ES. These classes provide fun, structured, educational, and enriching activities for students, benefitting both the child(ren) and parents!

- 1. Worthington ES flier posted on our HCRP website here: <u>Worthington ES Spring</u> 2024 Before & After School Classes Flier).
- 2. The Hyperlink to where families can register for classes: <u>Worthington ES</u> <u>Registration Page</u>

HCPSS NEWS

BSAP and G/T Summer Institute Enrollment Requests Open April 2

During its March 7 meeting, the Board of Education voted to fund 50 percent enrollment for the 2024 Black Student Achievement Program Summer Institute and G/T Summer Institutes for Talent Development. <u>Online enrollment requests for these</u> <u>programs</u> will open in HCPSS Connect Synergy Tuesday, April 2 at 6 p.m. and remain open through Monday, April 15 at 6 p.m. Enrollment requests do not guarantee placement in summer programs.

Community Building-Dinner & Community Building Circles

The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (ODEI) and the Howard County Library System cordially invite you to join us in a community building circle. Dinner will be provided from 5:00-5:30 PM followed by community building circles from 5:30-7:30PM.

ODEI is proud to partner with the Howard County Library System as we work together to provide more community building opportunities in our mission to put relationships first and center. Restorative Justice is an Indigenous philosophy that emphasizes building relationships. As the most comprehensive restorative justice practice, circles bring people together to promote connection, collaboration, and mutual understanding.



Please complete the registration form using the QR code by **Monday, April 22, 2024**.

Contact Brooke McCauley if you have questions, Equity Diversity and Inclusion Manager, HCLS at 410-313-7764.

https://shorturl.at/eEX23