

WILDCAT PRESS

January 3rd

WORTHINGTON CALENDAR

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[Worthington Fridge Sheet-A quick glance at the 24/25 SY](#)

January

- 6: ELA Map Testing 5th grade (morning)
- 7: PTA Restaurant Night at Chipotle *Use code CEBCCHT for online orders*
- 8-9: Math Map Testing 5th grade (afternoon)
- 10: PTA Bingo Night
- 16: Group Photos for Yearbook
- 20: Schools & Offices Closed ~ MLK Jr Day
- 21: In School Band/Strings Concert
- 22: Rising 6th grade Parent Orientation at Ellicott Mills MS
- 23: End of 2nd Marking Period
 - 3 hr Early Dismissal ~ *WoES will dismiss at 12:55 pm*
 - Band & Strings Concert 7 pm at Howard High School
- 24: Spelling Bee
- 27-28: Grade 3 Math MAP Testing (afternoon)
- 29: Schools Closed ~ *Professional Work Day*
- 30-31: Grade 4 Math MAP Testing (*morning*)
 - Grade 2 Math MAP Testing (*afternoon*)

FROM THE PTA

Restaurant Night: Tuesday, January 7th from 5-9 pm @ Chipotle

Join us at Chipotle in Ellicott City on Tuesday, January 7th between 5:00 and 9:00 pm. The Worthington PTA earns 25% of sales from all qualifying orders. Show the flyer (paper copy coming home with your child(ren) soon!) or use the code **CEBCCHT** when ordering online. Thank you for your support!

DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE

CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR
WORTHINGTON ELEMENTARY PTA
25% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7TH | 5-9PM
1920 BALTIMORE NATIONAL PIKE LOT A-1, ELLICOTT CITY, MD, 21042

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **CEBCCHT**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT

CHIPOTLE

For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

ONLINE FUNDRAISERS **CHIPOTLE** MEXICAN GRILL

Congratulations on your upcoming Chipotle fundraiser! Below are details on how to participate in your fundraiser online through the Chipotle App or Chipotle.com.

Please note all online orders for your fundraiser must be within your scheduled hours and only at the restaurant hosting your event.

- 1 Access the **Chipotle app** or order on our website.
- 2 Choose **"Pickup"** and select the location of the restaurant which is hosting your fundraiser.
Delivery orders or orders placed through other apps will not be counted towards your fundraiser.
- 3 Build your order with all your faves.
- 4 Once you're ready to place your order, input your unique online fundraiser code in the **"Enter a Promo Code"** section. Don't forget to click **"Apply."**
- 5 Provide payment information and submit your order for pickup (not delivery).
Reminder, pickup must be within the hours of your scheduled fundraiser.

If you or your supporters forget to input and apply the code at checkout, please email us your order information at fundraisers@chipotle.com.

HELPFUL TIP
Once you apply your fundraiser code, your cart will show **"Fundraiser"** and an amount of **-\$0.01**. Don't panic - this is totally normal and how we track the code in our system.

PTA Family Bingo Night - NEXT FRIDAY, January 10 *Volunteers needed!*

Join us for an exciting and fun night next Friday, January 10th at Howard High School! We will have 10 games of Bingo, a 50/50 raffle, a basket raffle, and food!

- Get your daubers and drinks early! There will be a limited supply on the night of the event as we don't want to over-purchase.
- We have around 20 baskets to raffle off. Make sure to pick up your raffle tickets early, as they cost more the night of the event.
- **PIZZA SALES CLOSE ON MONDAY, JAN 6 AT NOON!**

Bingo Night info: <https://worthingtonespta.givebacks.com/w/bingo>

Volunteers needed! Pulling off an event this large is not possible without volunteers. Helping us even for half an hour will help. Please consider volunteering and sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A49A5AB2AA1FA7-54083157-worthington#/>

Winter Wonderland Dance - Friday, January 31

Volunteers needed! We can't commit to holding this event without some help. We will decide by January 15th, if we have enough help. Please consider volunteering for this fun event!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A49ABAE2AA5F49-53916803-worthington#/>

National Blue Ribbon Wildcat Blankets for Sale

Cuddle up on these cold days with a Worthington Wildcats/National Blue Ribbon School blanket! Our PTA gets a portion of the sales and you will get to show off your Worthington pride - it's a win-win! <https://worthingtonespta.givebacks.com/store>

INSIDER INFORMATION

BSAP Saturday Math Academy Spring Program Registration, Jan. 4

The HCPSS Black Student Achievement Program (BSAP) Saturday Math Academy will offer an [in-person enrichment program this spring for any students in grades 3-12](#) in all levels of math, based on course availability. Registration will take place online Saturday, Jan. 4, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. until capacity is reached. Class space is limited

HCPSS NEWS

Road to Kindergarten Workshops Begin Jan. 21, 2025

Save the date! HCPSS' [Road to Kindergarten workshops](#) begin Jan. 21, with additional sessions available through the end of the month. Each workshop will provide information on expectations for school readiness, the HCPSS kindergarten program, and more. Childcare will be available for children ages 2 and older. No registration is required, but attendees are encouraged to allow ample time for parking, childcare drop off, and check in.

HCPSS Emergency Notifications

As we head into the winter months, [families are reminded](#) that in emergency situations (including inclement weather), information will be shared with the community only through the HCPSS website, email and text, Twitter/X and the HCPSS weather hotline. [Be sure your Family File is up to date](#) and that you have [opted into texts](#) to receive emergency messages.

*Parents/guardians are automatically enrolled for email notification; however all users must opt in one time to receive text messages. **To opt in or confirm that you are signed up to receive text messages, text the word "yes" to 67587** from the mobile

number listed in your Family File. If you are not receiving HCPSS or school emails/texts, please contact the front office.

All parent/guardian contact information comes directly from the Family File. Additional family and community members, and students may [subscribe manually](#).

Decisions regarding closings due to inclement weather will be made no later than 5:30 a.m. Two-hour delays will be called by 5:30 a.m. and reevaluated for closure no later than 7:30 a.m. Follow-up messaging will only be issued if there is a change in operating status. If inclement weather conditions develop during the school day, a decision to close schools early is generally made no later than 10:30 a.m.

[Schedules for pre-K/RECC](#) planned and emergency late arrivals are available online.

Complete information on [HCPSS emergency/weather closings](#) can be found online.

COMMUNITY

Winter 2025 Howard County Recreation & Parks Before & After school classes for students at Worthington ES can be found here: [Winter Rec & Park Classes](#) These classes provide fun, structured, educational, and enriching activities for students, benefiting both the child(ren) and parents! Registration: [HCRP Registration](#)