

BULLDOG NEWS

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A Caring Learning Community

Mission Statement

At Meade Middle School, we:

- ⇒ Develop lifelong learners
- ⇒ Provide both a rigorous and a relevant curriculum
- ⇒ Are committed to excellence



Vision Statement

Meade Middle School's Quest is to:

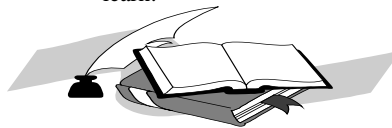
- ⇒ Provide an environment where learning and behavior lead to student success.
- ⇒ Equip students with twenty-first century learning competencies in order to be well rounded and competitive in a global society.
- ⇒ Foster a culture of meaningful adult and student relationships which leads to students feeling safe and supported.
- ⇒ Engage parents, businesses and the global community in building student success.



Value Statements

At Meade Middle we believe in:

- ⇒ The dignity of every human being;
- ⇒ Advocating for all of our students;
- ⇒ Affirming all cultures;
- ⇒ The power of high expectations for ourselves and our students;
- ⇒ The capacity of all students to learn.



MESSAGE FROM MR. SCOTT

Dear Parents,

On April 1, I wrote to you to make you aware of my appointment as principal of Annapolis Middle School for the 2009-2010 school year as part of the school's restructuring process. At that time, I shared with you that once the incoming principal of Meade Middle School for 2009-2010

school year had been appointed I would convey this information to you.

To this regard, I am writing to let you know that Anne Arundel County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Kevin M. Maxwell has appointed Bill Goodman to become principal of Meade Middle School for the upcoming school year. Mr. Goodman is currently the principal at Old Mill Middle School South, a position he has held for the last four years.

There is no question in my mind that Mr. Goodman will be a terrific principal for this school community. As my colleague, I've witnessed firsthand Mr. Goodman's exceptional leadership abilities, which include sincere and firm efforts in building relationships with teachers, students and parents. He truly has the skills and the wherewithal to continue to move Meade Middle School from good to great.

I know that you will give Mr. Goodman as much support as you have given me during my tenure

here. As I said before, while our paths will separate after this year, I want you to know that a piece of my heart will forever belong to Meade Middle School. This is truly a special place.

As we move through the fourth marking period towards the close of this school year, I ask for your continual spirit of teamwork on behalf of our students. I am confident great things are on the horizon and equally confident you will find a great teammate to accomplish those things in Mr. Goodman. ----Eddie Scott

ATTENTION PARENTS: SCHOOL SYSTEM OFFICES SHIFTING TO FOUR-DAY WORK WEEK FOR FIVE WEEKS THIS SUMMER

Schools Superintendent Dr. Kevin M. Maxwell announced on March 24 that county schools and school system offices will operate on a four-day work week for five weeks this summer, saving approximately \$154,000 in operating and transportation costs without any decrease in productivity.

Employees will work extended days from Monday through Thursday, and all AACPS schools and offices except the Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center will be closed on Fridays during the modified schedule period, which runs from Wednesday, July 8, 2009, through Tuesday, August 11, 2009. Employees will continue

to be responsible for working the mandatory number of weekly hours as stipulated by their job group and/or negotiated agreement.

Unless rare exceptions are granted, school buildings and central offices will be closed on the following Fridays: July 10, 17, 24, and 31, and August 7. This means that during these weeks, programs that use schools such as summer school and Department of Recreation and Parks programs, will operate on four-day schedules. If your child is enrolled in a program that is scheduled to use our school during this period, please check with the sponsoring agency to make sure you know the correct schedule.

Meade Middle School will continue to operate on a normal schedule throughout the summer so that it can host the Italian Leonardo Project and the Gifted and Talented Summer Center for Global Languages.

During this five-week period, our school's office hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. During the other weeks of the summer, our school's office hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

If you have any questions about hours of operation, please call the school office.

Congratulations Ms. Hwang!!!!

We would like to congratulate Ms. Hwang, our Technology Support Technician, for winning \$300.00 for Meade Middle School!!! Ms. Hwang provided the most detailed, accurate, and easy-to-follow instructions, documents, maps of the school, and signs for DALY Computers Ins. who came to our school last summer to replace 134 refresh computers. The PTSA will receive the check on behalf of Ms. Hwang. The funds will be used for technology at Meade Middle School.

Thank you Ms. Hwang!!!!

**REPORT CARDS WILL BE
MAILED HOME ON
WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 24, 2009.**

**HAVE A
WONDERFUL AND
SAFE SUMMER!**



**Meade Middle School
Mandatory Uniform Policy**

August 2009- June 2010

(Revised April 21, 2009)

Things listed below are in **COMPLIANCE** with the mandatory uniform policy. Adhering to this policy will help make your time at Meade Middle School pleasant and enjoyable. The policy is for boys and girls.

- **TOPS:** Tops must be light blue, or black long or short-sleeved polo style with two or three clear, black or appropriate colored buttons at the neck. Tops must be tucked in securely.
- **OTHER TOPS:** Other tops may include a v-neck sweater style vest, front button cardigan, **zippered cardigan**, sweatshirt with a banded collar or a Meade Middle School sweatshirt. Tops must be light blue, or black.
- **BELTS:** A solid, plain black or dark brown, leather or leather-like belt must go through the loops and be buckled securely around your waist. Belt buckles should be plain.
- **SHOES:** Shoes must be safe and enclose the foot. Shoes may not expose students to safety hazards nor should they impede a student from moving quickly during an evacuation of the building. Athletic shoes are permitted.
- **SOCKS/TIGHTS:** **Solid black or white only.**
- **PANTS:** Black, **blue** or Khaki full-length standard issue pants are to be worn securely around your waist with a belt.
- **SKIRTS/SHORTS/SKORTS:** Black, **blue** or khaki; must be longer than fingertips when standing at attention. (Shorts may be worn between April 1 until Oct. 31.)
- **JEWELRY AND ACCESSORIES:** **Single necklace no longer in length than 18", must be silver or gold (no colored beads), bracelet – one per wrist. earrings – no longer than 2" from ear lobe and rings are permitted. Purses no larger than 8.5" x 11" are permitted to be carried during the school day.**

Things listed below are **VIOLATIONS** of the uniform policy. The policy is for girls and boys.

- **TOPS:** Tops may not have any designs, logos, characters, names or numbers of any size. Sleeveless tops, crop tops, v-necks, halters, are not allowed. Tops may not be un-tucked. **No colored t-shirts, tank tops unless black or light blue.**
- **OTHER TOPS:** Tops may not have a hood, designs, logos, characters, names or numbers of any size. Jackets and coats may not be worn in class and must be kept in your locker. **Vests not permitted unless sweater-like material.**
- **BELTS:** Belts may not have anything dangling. They may not contain chain loops, symbols, large designer insignia, characters, names or numbers of any size.
- **SHOES:** FLIP-FLOPS OR SANDALS MAY NOT BE WORN TO SCHOOL.
- **PANTS:** Pants may not contain large designer insignia, characters, names or numbers. Rubber bands and bandanas are not allowed on any part of your pants. Pants may not be rolled up or tucked into shoes or boots.
- **SKIRTS/SHORTS/SKORTS:** Mini and/or tight skirts/shorts/skort are not allowed.
- **JEWELRY AND ACCESSORIES:** Jewelry should not pose safety hazards or be a distraction. Necklaces should not be longer than 18 inches. Charms may not be replicas of weapons or contraband. No more than one.

COST OF THE UNIFORM

Items listed above may be purchased at a store of the parent's choice or through a vendor approved by the school.

Vendor's Prices-2008 approximate costs:

- French Toast - www.frenchtoast.com or Telephone -1-800-636-3104 Source Code:QS4T8B
- Jus' 4 Kidz L.L.C. - www.jus4kidz.com or 410-799-7700

Top-ranges from \$7.99-\$15.99 Sweaters-ranges from \$12.99-\$15.99 Sweatshirts-\$19.00 -\$24.99
Pants-ranges from \$9.99-\$19.99 Skorts-ranges from \$9.99-\$10.99 Belts-approx. \$5.99 -9.99

Grade Six Supply List 2009-2010

One 3-inch 3-ring binder
 Two 3-holed spiral notebooks
 3 or 4 packs of dividers
 Highlighters
 Markers
 Colored pencils
 2 boxes of tissues
 1 package of 4 AAA batteries
 #2 pencils (**continuous supply**)
 Blue or black ink pens (**continuous supply**)
 Notebook paper (**continuous supply**)
 Safety goggles (Science)
 Liquid hand soap (Science)
 Post it notes (Language Arts)
 Crayons (Language Arts)
 Graph paper (Math)
 Sheet protectors (Math)
 Index card 5x7 (Math)
 Ruler, Compass and Protractor (Math)

Tech Ed - one inch 3-ring binder
 Art – a wooden pencil, 1 large eraser
 Family & Consumer Science -
 1 pocket folder with clips, 2 dividers
 Foreign Language – one inch 3-ring binder
 Music (Vocal/Choral) – 1 folder with 2 pockets, 1 box of tissues
 Band & Orchestra – Instrument and a folder

Meade Middle School PE Uniform - \$20.00
 Tennis shoes, a combination lock, and personal items
 (deodorant, comb/brush, other hygiene products).
 No aerosol spray perfumes, colognes or glass bottles

Note: NO "white-out"

Grade Seven Supply List 2009-2010

One 3-inch 3-ring binder
 Two 3-holed spiral notebooks
 3 or 4 packs of dividers
 Highlighters
 Markers
 Colored pencils

2 boxes of tissues
 1 package of 4 AAA batteries
 #2 pencils (**continuous supply**)
 Blue or black ink pens (**continuous supply**)
 Notebook paper (**continuous supply**)
 Safety goggles (Science)
 Liquid hand soap (Science)
 1 pack of thin tip markers (Science)
 Graph paper (Math)
 Sheet protectors (Math)
 Index card 5x7 (Math)
 Ruler, Compass and Protractor (Math)
 1 pocket prong folders (Language Arts)
 Post it notes (Language Arts)
 Crayons (Language Arts)
 1 pack of red pens

Pre-Algebra 7 and 8, Algebra and Geometry Students only
 TI 83, TI 83 Plus, TI 84 or above calculator
 4 pack of AAA batteries

Tech Ed – one inch 3-ring binder
 Art – a wooden pencil, 1 large eraser
 Family & Consumer Science –
 1 pocket folder with clips, 2 dividers
 Foreign Language – one inch 3-ring binder,
 3 x 5 index cards (100 count)
 Music (Vocal/Choral) – 1 folder with 2 pockets,
 1 box of tissues
 Band & Orchestra – Instrument and folder

Meade Middle School PE Uniform - \$20.00
 Tennis shoes, a combination lock, and personal items
 (deodorant, comb/brush, other hygiene products).
 No aerosol spray perfumes, colognes or glass bottles

Note: NO “white-out”

Grade Eight Supply List 2009-2010

One 3-inch 3-ring binder
 Two 3-holed spiral notebooks
 3 or 4 packs of dividers
 Highlighters
 Markers
 Colored pencils

2 boxes of tissues
1 package of 4 AAA batteries
#2 pencils (**continuous supply**)
Blue or black ink pens (**continuous supply**)
Notebook paper (**continuous supply**)
Safety goggles (Science)
Liquid hand soap (Science)
Post it notes (Language Arts)
Crayons (Language Arts)
Graph paper (Math)
Sheet protectors (Math)
Index card 5x7 (Math)
Ruler, Compass and Protractor (Math)

Pre-Algebra 7 and 8, Algebra and Geometry Students only
TI 83, TI 83 Plus, TI 84 or above calculator
4 pack of AAA batteries

Tech Ed – one inch 3-ring binder
Art – a wooden pencil, 1 large eraser
Family & Consumer Science –
 1 pocket folder with clips, 2 dividers
Foreign Language – one inch 3-ring binder,
 3 x 5 index cards (100 count)
Music (Vocal/Choral) - 1 folder with 2 pockets,
 1 box of tissues
Band & Orchestra - Instrument and folder

Meade Middle School PE Uniform - \$20.00
Tennis shoes, a combination lock, and personal items
(deodorant, comb/brush, other hygiene products).
No aerosol spray perfumes, colognes or glass bottles

Note: NO “white-out”

\$6.00 is needed on the first day of school to purchase an agenda.

NO ROLLING BOOKBAGS. They DO NOT fit in the lockers. Bookbags must be collapsible to fit in the lockers.



OFFICE OF SCHOOL & FAMILY PARTNERSHIPS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Located at Oakwood Elementary School - *Portable 2088*

410-222-6429 Fax: 410-222-3806

WEBSITE: www.aacps.org/familyresourcecenter

Donna Catterton, Resource Center Liaison: dcatterton@aacps.org

Abby Miller, Parent Liaison: amiller1@aacps.org

SUMMER, 2009 CALENDAR OF PARENTING EVENTS

**THE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER WILL BE CLOSED
JUNE 16th AND WILL REOPEN AUGUST 12th**

The mission of the Family Resource Center is to promote strong & healthy families through partnerships with school counselors, educators and the community agencies that work with & support families

MEADE FEEDER SYSTEM

Fantastic First-Graders

Tuesday morning, 8/11/09 9:00 – 11:00 &

Tuesday Afternoon 8/11/09 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Thursday afternoon, 8/13/09 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Location: Maryland City Elementary School,
3359 Crumpton South, Laurel

Presenter: Sharon Atkinson, school counselor

This workshop is for students ONLY. We will sing, play, eat, practice sitting at desks, follow directions off of an overhead, listen to stories, & watch a video about staying safe. For more information & to register call Ms. Atkinson

@ **301-725-4256.**

The Parenting Center @ Anne Arundel Community College

KIDS IN COLLEGE Summer Camp

@ Anne Arundel Community College

Location: 101 College Parkway, Arnold

To view the KIDS IN COLLEGE summer camps brochure you can go www.aacc.edu/kic. If you have children who have been identified as gifted & talented they may go to www.aacc.edu/kic/gifted and view the EXPLORE brochure.

Guiding Kids on the Internet**6/17/09 – 8/7/09****Anne Arundel Community College - Online class**

Understand both the risks & benefits of allowing children to explore the internet. Discover fun, informative activities that can be done with your child. There is a fee for this class. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Enhancing Language Development in Children**Anne Arundel Community College – Online class****6/17/09 – 8/7/09****7/15/09 – 9/4/09**

Discover how children process language. Learn fun, natural & age-appropriate ways to stimulate speech, brain & language development. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Understanding Adolescents**Anne Arundel Community College – Online class****6/17/09 – 8/7/09**

Learn the three stages of adolescent development. Compare the physical, emotional & social changes during teen years. Understand the importance of adolescent identity formation for adult mental health. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Managing Your Child's Behavior: 1-2-3 Magic**1 session Saturday 8/1/09 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.****Location: Anne Arundel Community College**

101 College Parkway, Arnold

Discover how to manage your child's behavior without yelling or spanking. Explore concepts from the bestselling book, "1-2-3 Magic": Effective Discipline for Children." Learn interactive techniques that can be applied with immediate results. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Balancing Work & Family Life**1 session Saturday 6/20/09 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.****Location: Anne Arundel Community College at Arundel Mills****7009 Arundel Mills Circle, Hanover**

Discuss the competing demands of work & family life. Learn the importance of personal time, family time & managing stress. Explore time management strategies & how to establish family routines. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

The Explosive Child

1 session Saturday 6/27/09 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m

**Location: Anne Arundel Community College,
101 College Parkway, Arnold**

Examine the psychological profile of the noncompliant child. Learn how to direct children away from explosive episodes. Identify common parenting mistakes when dealing with explosive children. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Parenting Children with ADHD

2 sessions Wednesday & Thursday

7/8/09 & 7/9/09 8:00 – 10:30 a.m.

**Location: Anne Arundel Community College,
101 College Parkway, Arnold**

Identify the symptoms of attention disorders in children. Develop a parenting plan for managing the unpredictable behaviors of children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. Evaluate the impact of the impulsive child on family life. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Managing Sibling Rivalry

1 session Saturday 7/18/09 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Location: Anne Arundel Community College,
101 College Parkway, Arnold**

Learn why children squabble with their siblings & how to restore peace. Acquire the knowledge & skills needed to help siblings resolve conflicts & develop better relationships. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP)

4 sessions Thursdays 7/23/09 – 8/13/09 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

**Location: Anne Arundel Community College,
101 College Parkway, Arnold**

This nationally acclaimed program focuses on essential child-rearing issues. Gain valuable training to improve cooperation among family members & lessen parent-child conflicts. Master effective parent-child communication & discipline methods. Encourage children to develop to their full potential. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Letting Go: Parenting College Bound Youth

2 sessions Tuesday & Wednesday

8/11/09 & 8/12/09 4:00 – 6:30 p.m.

**Location: Anne Arundel Community College at Arundel Mills
7009 Arundel Mills Circle, Hanover**

Explore the process of launching your adolescent into the next stage of life. Discuss the parallel struggles of parents & young adults. Examine boundaries, responsibilities & supportive communication strategies. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Parenting the Middle School Child

**5 sessions Monday thru Friday
8/3/09 – 8/7/09 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

**Location: Anne Arundel Community College at Arundel Mills
7009 Arundel Mills Circle, Hanover**

Learn practical parenting strategies to help your children through the turbulent teen years. Gain critical communication skills. Learn about teen developmental changes, substance abuse, sexuality & popular teen culture. Discuss ways to encourage positive, responsible adolescent development. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

Helping Disorganized Kids Succeed in School

1 session Friday 8/21/09 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

**Location: Anne Arundel Community College,
101 College Parkway, Arnold**

Struggles over organization create frequent parent-child conflicts. Discover how brain development may be a reason for disorganization in children. Learn practical techniques to help children get organized & succeed in school. There is a fee for this workshop. For more information call **410-777-2159**.

English Basic Skills

See Locations & Times listed below

A grant from the State of Maryland allows Anne Arundel Community College to offer English Basic Skills Courses at no cost to students who are U.S. Citizens or permanent U.S. immigrants & reside in Anne Arundel County. Participants must be at least 16 years of age.

Classes start the week of 7/6/09.

Locations of these classes are listed below.

Call **410-777-2901** for dates and hours for each location.

AACC at Arundel Mills, 7009 Arundel Mills circle, Hanover

Aris T. Allen Community Learning Center, 80 West Street, Annapolis

Brooklyn Park Senior Center, 202 Hammonds Lane, Brooklyn Park

El Centro de Ayuda, 3 Gardner Center, 1906 Forest Drive, Annapolis

Glen Burnie Town Center, Arundel Center North,

101 N. Crain Highway, Glen Burnie

Lula H. Scott Center, 6243 Shadyside Road, Shadyside

Maryland City/ Russett Branch Library,

3501 Russett Commons, Laurel

Meade Middle School, Annapolis Road & 26th Street, Fort Meade

Opportunities Industrialization Center, 1908 Forest Drive, Annapolis

COMMUNITY SPONSORED WORKSHOPS**LEARNING Rx****Train the brain unlock the potential****Learning Rx will be holding 3 workshops this summer****“PREVENTING THE SUMMER SLIDE”****Wednesday, 6/10/09 7:00 p.m.****Location: 479 Jumpers Hole Road, Suite 306, Severna Park****Presenter: Dr. Lori Perez, Nationally Certified School Psychologist**

The “summer slide” may sound like fun, but it’s definitely something you’ll want to keep your kids far away from this summer! It’s a phenomenon teachers know all too well – the loss of knowledge & ability that typically occurs when formal education stops during the summer. There is fee for the workshop. For more information & to register call 410-544-6850 or email us at severnaparkseminar@learningrx.net

“HOW TO HAVE A SMARTER SUMMER”**Wednesday, 7/15/09 7:00 p.m.****Location: 479 Jumpers Hole Road, Suite 306, Severna Park**

This seminar is recommended for parents & educators seeking knowledge & understanding of the effects cognitive skills—visual & auditory processing, working & long-term memory, & attention skills, among others—have on learning. Participants will gain knowledge & understanding on how to encourage cognitive growth in their children & provide ideas for games & activities that can build cognitive skills at home & while on vacation. There is fee for the workshop. For more information & to register call 410-544-6850 or email us at severnaparkseminar@learningrx.net

“7 KEYS TO A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL YEAR”**Wednesday, 8/12/09 7:00 p.m.****Location: 479 Jumpers Hole Road, Suite 306, Severna Park**

This seminar is recommended for parents & educators seeking knowledge & understanding of the effects cognitive skills—visual & auditory processing, working & long-term memory, & attention skills, among others—have on learning. Participants will gain knowledge & understanding on how to encourage cognitive growth in their children & prepare them for a successful school year. The course also provides methods for detecting students with weak cognitive skills & tools to strengthen those skills. There is fee for the workshop. For more information & to register call 410-544-6850 or email us at severnaparkseminar@learningrx.net



CAMP NABI

Camp Nabi, an annual weekend bereavement camp for children ages 6-14 and Phoenix Rising the companion program for high school students grieving the death of a loved one will be held at Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center over the weekend of August 14-16, 2009. Information about these programs can be found at www.hospicechesapeake.org

Strengthening Families Program

This program will be held in various locations in the County throughout the year. The summer session will be held at the Behavioral Health Building in Glen Burnie on Tuesdays and Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. July 7- August 21. This free 14-session program for parents in substance abuse treatment and their children ages 6-17 provides training in parenting; children's social and life skills; and family relationship skills. Meals, babysitting, transportation, and incentives provided by a State grant. For information contact Carolyn Douglas, Anne Arundel County Department of Health, Strengthening Families Coordinator at 410-222-6724 or hddoug22@aacounty.org.

Strengthening Families Program
Tuesday, 8/25/09 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Location: Behavioral Health Building,
122 N. Langley Road, Glen Burnie
Trainers: Heather Eshleman & Carolyn Douglas

This free two-day training for prevention service & youth/parent program workers focuses on the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) approved model program Strengthening Families (SFP). Designed for parents & their youth ages 6-17, SFP encourages family bonding, parental monitoring, & family communication. For more information & to register call Prevention Services @ 410-222-6724 or email us at hddoug22@aacounty.org.

A GOOD BOOK AT THE AAPCS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
To Grandma's House We....Stay, When You Have to Stop Spoiling Your
Grandchildren &
Start Raising Them

by: Sally Houtman, M.S.

This book is a timely road map that guides grandparents through the uncharted territories of parenting a second generation of children. It offers practical solutions to real-life problems that families face when traditional roles and relationships are redefined.

Parent involvement...

is crucial to the health and well-being of a child. As a parent, you are the most important influence in your child's success in school and in life. In this role, you have a fresh opportunity every day to get involved with your child. Parent involvement in children's education allows kids to perform better in school, and navigate more easily some of the challenges of growing up

.....**NATIONAL PTA**

If you would like to receive this calendar by email
please email me at dcatterton@aacps.org

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