Pride Post

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Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Discipline, Excellent

Principal's Message

Dear SOES families,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. As we move through the third marking period, I would like to thank you for your patience and support of in-person learning during a pandemic. Certainly, there have been some small bumps, but overall, I am proud of how we have weathered the storm.

You are all among the many heroes I am celebrating. Thank YOU for all you have done and all you continue to do to partner with us to ensure students are fed physically, emotionally, and cognitively. I hope you are able to take time over the spring break to relax, recharge, and connect with family and friends – those in your homes and those who you bring into your homes virtually or in-person. Please try to find joy and stay well.

Wishing you all the best,

Farah Springer
Principal

April Dates/Events

7 | Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK.
8 | Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. End of third marking period.

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Grade Level News

Pre-K

April Newsletter

Hello Pre-K Families,

This month we will dive deep into the world of science! In math we will be exploring 2D shapes again. We will explore the scientific process. This month we will focus on the letters Uu, Kk, Jj, and Xx and the following sight words: go, on, in, are. We will continue to work on adding labels to our drawings and contributing to shared writing. This month we will also be conducting our Primary Talent Development lessons: It Fits. We will be exploring things that go together and match.

I am excited to continue to learn with your students this month.
Forever learning,
Mrs. Collington

Kindergarten

Hello Kindergarten Families! Happy April!

Thank you SO much to our families and students! We are so proud of our students and their academic growth! We appreciate everything you do and all the support you provide. We ask that students continue to work on iready each week for at least 40 minutes for literacy lessons and 40 minutes on math lessons. The top 3 students who spend the most time on iready each week have earned certificates and prizes. If you are having difficulties accessing this at home, please reach out to your teacher. This is key in helping students strengthen their skills and their learning path challenges them to new levels.

You will begin to receive information about our field trip on May 16th to Downs Park. We will need 4 chaperones and 2 activity leaders per class. If you are interested in being a chaperone or activity leader, please fill out the permission form with this information. Volunteers will need to complete the background check online. We are so excited and appreciate all the support and help we can get to have a successful and fun field trip!

We will continue to work on strategies for decoding and identifying new words to help aid reading skills. At this time, the expectation is that students can identify all letters and sounds and are reading on a C-level. During writing, our goal is that students are using the learned strategies and skills when writing. Congratulations to students completing their “How to Writing” unit! Keep up the great work! We will also continue to practice math skills of solving and explaining our thinking, writing our numbers to 20, subtraction and story word problems, and counting to 81.

As always, thank you for all your continuous support! 🙂
**First Grade**

Hello First Grade Families!

We are excited to learn and grow this spring season!

In Writing, our writers will learn and apply various strategies that will help our first graders write their book review! In Math, our mathematicians will continue to learn how to tell time using the analog and digital clock, and will learn how to organize, represent, and interpret data with up to three categories! For science and social studies, our scientists will design and build devices to communicate and solve problems using sound and light. For reading, we will continue to practice our accuracy, fluency, and comprehension skills!

Thank you for all you're doing to support! Together, we will SPRING into learning!

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**Second Grade**

Hey families! Thank you so much for your continued support and partnership! We are so grateful for all that you do! 😊 We will have a much-deserved break to relax and recharge over spring break.

This month in Math, students will continue to work with place value, using mental math, and practicing strategies for adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers.

In Literacy, students will continue learning skills to help them read and write words, understanding how images clarify a text, and understanding the author's purpose. In Writer's Workshop, students will finish up the opinion writing unit as well as work on expanding sentences, and strengthening their writing by editing and revising.

In Science and Social Studies, students will finish learning about Native American Tribes and then we explore the world and history as Time Travelers!

Remember to reach out to your child's teacher for questions and/or concerns. Thank you again for all your support!

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**Third Grade**

Hello Families,

In this month of April, our 3rd graders will be taking the MCAP assessment for Math and Reading. We have been working hard on providing practice opportunities for our students to get them ready for the test. We are approaching the end of the third quarter, and we solicit your support in ensuring that your students have completed their classwork on Brightspace.

In April, our students will continue to work on comparing stories, analyzing text structures, and determining the central message from the texts in Reading. In writing, our students will be working on expository texts.

In Science, students will be introduced to the engineering process and how it is used to solve real world problems.

In Social Studies, our students will be learning about how people identify and solve problems in the community.

In Math, students will be working on the commutative and distributive property of multiplication to find the area of rectangles.

Please continue to encourage your students to come to school every day and on time with their chrome books and headphones and to reiterate the importance of demonstrating PRIDE to your students.

Thanks, you for all your support.
Fourth Grade

4th grade is looking forward to a great start to the 4th quarter of school and a strong finish to the 3rd. Go through your student's Brightspace account to ensure that all graded work has been submitted.

This month students will participate in MCAP testing. Please ensure that your student comes to school prepared with a charged Chromebook each day and headphones.

During the 4th quarter 4th grade will be looking at the following topics:

Writing- We will continue to look at opinion writing. This quarter we will focus on editing and proofreading as well as overall writing structure.

Reading- We will continue to apply different reading skills to new and exciting stories. Reading Tests will begin at the end of April.

Math- We will cover the following:
- Unit 12: Multi-Step Problem Solving Involving Measurement
- Unit 13: Angle Measurement
- Unit 14: Recognizing & Analyzing Attributes of 2D Shapes
- Unit 15: Problem Solving with Whole Numbers & Hands on Equations

Science- We will look at the different types of fuel that are available. Students will put all of the skills they have learned this year into a design project.

Social Studies- We will continue to examine the American Revolution and beyond. We will specifically focus on Maryland's role in history.

Fifth Grade

Hello Families,

Happy Spring! We are almost at the finish line! Fifth Grade continues to do some awesome things! Last month we took MISA, presented our opinion essays and left the month with a wealth of knowledge from our Science, Social Studies, Literacy, and Math curriculum. The new quarter starts mid-month, we will begin new themes! In Mathematics, we will start our geometry unit. Students will certainly love the Number Rock songs that go with our new unit! Within Science, we will begin our Engineering unit. In Social Studies, students will continue with the “We the People” unit, focusing on creativity. Within Literacy, students will continue to learn some key strategies to continue to boost their fluency and comprehension. For Writing, we will begin our Memoir unit – a very exciting unit!

Happy Spring and beginning of Quarter Four! Please continue to watch your emails for more updates from the 5th grade team!

Media

Hello Families,

April is a busy month of different celebrations:

- National Library Week (April 3-9)
- National Librarian Day (April 16)
- Earth Day (April 22)
- Arbor Day (April 29)
- National Poetry Month

Students will vote for their favorite Maryland Black-Eyed Susan Picture book Nominee this month. The picture book nominees are in MackinVia in our groups section. Students may visit the group to read and enjoy the stories again.
This month we will continue working on our Project Based Learning (PBL) Units.

**Kindergarten Ms. Doner-Unique Me** Student will explore the question, How am I unique?

**Kindergarten Mrs. Bowen-The Art Of Sound** Student will explore the question, How can we apply the art of sound to create a soundscape and become a better listener?

**1st Grade-Storytelling Through Yoga** Students will explore the question, How can we use Yoga to tell a story?

**2nd Grade -Mindfulness Matters** Students will explore the question, How can I use Yoga to calm my strong feelings?

**3rd Grade- I Spy** Students will explore the question, How can we create a visual riddle to help our community strengthen their power of observation?

**4th Grade-The Secret Gift of the Arts** Students will explore the question, How might we share our artistic gifts to bring joy to others?

**5th Grade-Mrs. Bowen** Students will explore the question, How can we, as a design team, create a sailboat to meet the specific needs of a client?

5th Grade -Ms. Doner Students will explore the question, How can I create a mandala whose design and color reflect my personality and a source of inspiration?

Any concerns or questions please email,

Mrs. Bowen bsbowen@aacps.org
Ms. Doner rdoner@aacps.org
Hello Seven Oaks Elementary students, families, and friends! We hope everyone is doing well and is ready for another exciting month in Physical Education class. For the month of April, we will be working on our tumbling skills and being introduced to the game of disc golf. In addition, we will continue to develop our cardiovascular endurance and muscular endurance through a variety of games and activities. Please remember to have physical education appropriate shoes to ensure students safety during class. Like always if you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact us at any time.

Mr. Chandler
Ms. LaTorre

Happy Spring Music Lovers! We are on the way towards the finish line of the 21-22 school year and we are learning so much about what music is and how we make it. We are currently studying form, genres, and melodies. We will continue to learn and grow our minds to understand music and hopefully grow their love for music even more.

Happy April!

SPRING is finally here, and we couldn't be happier. With spring comes new growth both in nature and with our students. Please be sure to continue working on your student's i-Ready pathway for both reading and math. Explore BrainPop and BrainPop jr to learn about a variety of topics and possibly spark a new interest! These amazing apps can be found on Classlink. Enjoy some time off with your student(s) over spring break and come back refreshed and ready to continue with our year.

SOES Special Ed Team

Get ready for more art!
**Instrumental Music**
All ensembles have now begun their Spring Concert music. We look forward to presenting our Spring Concert *in person* on Thursday May 26th. A letter with concert details will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Please ensure your child is practicing consistently at home. With Spring Break and testing occurring during the month of April, concert season will be here before we know it! Students should pay close attention to the April lesson calendar, as lessons will be scheduled around test administration.

**A Message from Guidance**


VIRTUAL SUPPORT FOR ELEMENTARY MATH

AACPS Elementary Math Virtual Family Support is back!

Join us with questions about Pre-K through grade 5 math concepts or in search of help understanding current problem-solving teaching/techniques.

Who? Parents, guardians, or other adults who help students learn

When? On Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
(First session begins Thursday, September 23rd)

Where? Live Google Meets (See links below) with AACPS math teachers

*English and Spanish support is available

Please use the Google Meet links below where a math teacher tutor will provide a visual response with support.

Primary (Pre-K – 2nd Grade)  
Click HERE

Intermediate (3rd – 5th Grade)  
Click HERE
APOYO VIRTUAL PARA MATEMÁTICAS DE PRIMARIA

¡El apoyo Familiar Virtual de AACPS para Primaria en Matemáticas ha regresado!

Únase a nosotros con preguntas sobre los conceptos matemáticos de Pre-kinder hasta 5 grado o en busca de ayuda para comprender la enseñanza / técnicas actuales de resolución de problemas.

¿Quién? Padres, tutores legales u otros adultos que ayudan a los estudiantes a aprender

¿Cuándo? Los MARTES y JUEVES por la noche, 6 p.m. a 8 p.m.  
(Primera sesión comienza el jueves 23 de septiembre)

¿Dónde? En vivo por Google Meet (ver el enlace abajo) con maestras de matemáticas de AACPS

*Apoyo disponible en inglés y español

Por favor, utilice los siguientes enlaces de Google Meet, donde un tutor de matemáticas brindará respuesta visual con apoyo.

Grados Primarios (Pre-K - 2 Grado)  
Haga clic AQUÍ

Grados Intermedios (3 -5 Grado) Haga clic AQUÍ
Are You Familiar with the County’s Magnet Programs and Schools of Choice?

The Fall 2021 Application Period begins 12:00pm

AACPS Division of Advanced Studies and Programs believes strongly in providing innovative educational programs for our students. It is through offering Magnet Programs in International Baccalaureate (IB), Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM), and Performing, Visual, Arts (PVA), as part of our schools of choice, that students get to rigorously explore their interests, talents, and abilities in a highly specialized instructional setting. In the Magnet Programs, students learn about and explore issues that are current and relevant within their field of study. Students take both pride and ownership in being a part of a Magnet program as they prepare themselves to be future leaders.

To apply, current AACPS students should use their lunch ID as their application username and password, which are also used to access the computers at school and Google classes. Non-AACPS students will create a username and password when beginning the online application. The Magnet Office cannot reset passwords. Contact the Help Desk at 410-222-5135 for password resets.

Please click here to see program specific webpages for additional details.

START YOUR APPLICATION HERE
after 12 PM on OCTOBER 11, 2021!
A big thank you everyone as we navigate our way back to school. A few important things to keep in mind as we head into the fall and then winter months:

- Please do not send sick children to school. Covid-19 symptoms are any one of the following:
  - Fever 100.4 or higher
  - Sore throat
  - Cough
  - Difficulty breathing
  - Diarrhea or vomiting
  - New onset of severe headache (especially with a fever)
  - New loss of taste or smell

If your child is exhibiting or reports any of the above Covid-19 symptoms they will be sent home from school. If sent home with a Covid-19 symptom they will need to either have a Covid test, a diagnosis from a health care provider, or quarantine.

Please be sure to review the daily screening student checklist every day before heading out to school.

If there are any changes in your child’s health or anything you’d like us to know please reach out.

We realize this is a challenging and difficult time for everyone. Please know our main priority is to keep all our students safe and healthy, and to do that, it may at times be inconvenient for some.

Stay well!!

Seven Oaks Health Room Team
School Health Services Positions

The Anne Arundel County Department of Health is seeking RNs, LPN’s and Health Assistants to provide health services for students in Anne Arundel County Public Schools for the current and upcoming school year. The positions include:

- Full-time positions
- No nights or weekends
- Summers off – follows the public school calendar
- Health Insurance and leave benefits
- 457 Deferred Compensation Plan

For more information or to obtain an application, please call 410-222-6838/
[SHSRecruiter@aacounty.org](mailto:SHSRecruiter@aacounty.org) or visit our website: [www.aahealth.org](http://www.aahealth.org).

Smoke-Free Workplace. EOE.
**Internet Connectivity**

It is important that all AACPS students can log into the Internet reliably beginning September 9, 2021, the first day of school. Every student, whether learning in person or virtually, needs to be able to engage virtually via the Internet to access course materials, log into Brightspace, access ClassLink, work collaboratively with their peers, and communicate electronically with their teacher.

We are working hard with Comcast, Verizon, Broadstripe and our many community partners to help support all families to get connected to the Internet. Through the generosity of community members and organizations along with government grants we have received, we have funding to support struggling families to get Internet Connectivity so their students can fully engage online, when needed, this fall.

AACPS is ready to help all families who still need to be connected to the Internet in their homes. **Please follow these steps if you still need to get Internet Access in your home:**

Email or call your youngest student’s school or school principal to let them know you still need Internet Connectivity. [A school list with email addresses and phone numbers is available here](https://www.aacps.org/Page/8830). Please give them your name, your address, email address, and phone number where you can be reached.

Please send an additional email to our AACPS Technology Staff at [internet@aacps.org](mailto:internet@aacps.org) to let them know you still need Internet Connectivity. Please give them your name, address, email address and phone number where you can be reached. Tell them the school(s) where your student(s) will attend this fall.

An AACPS staff member will reach out to you soon after your email or call to assist you to get Internet Connectivity.

[https://www.aacps.org/Page/8830](https://www.aacps.org/Page/8830)

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**Chromebook**

All students in grades 3-5 should plan to bring your AACPS Chromebook to and from school daily in the fall. You will be using your Chromebook as a learning tool at times during the school day and will need it at home to complete assignments in the evening. All students in grades preK-2 should keep their AACPS-issued Chromebook at home for use there. When at school, there will be Chromebooks available in primary level classrooms for student use.

[https://www.aacps.org/Page/8819](https://www.aacps.org/Page/8819)

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**Office Hours**

The office is open by appointment only. Please contact the main office at 410-222-0937 between the hours of 7:30am-3:30pm.
Getting your child to school on time, every day can ensure your child has a chance to succeed in school. As a parent or guardian, there are steps you can take to make certain your child is in school every day.

Establish and stick with routines such as bedtime, wake up time, and homework schedule.

Prepare for the next day by laying out clothes the night before and packing the backpack and lunch.

Talk to your child about school. Show your interest in what they are learning.

If your child is reluctant to go to school, reach out to the teacher or school counselor for help.

If your child starts to demonstrate school avoidance behavior, i.e., refuses to get up, complains of vague illnesses, or skips school, get help right away!

Call your school counselor and ask for resources. The school will refer you to your school’s Pupil Personnel Worker. Remember, Maryland has a Compulsory Attendance Law. It states that children between the ages of 5 and 18 shall attend public school regularly during the entire school year unless otherwise enrolled in a private school, approved home instruction, or home teaching through the school. Parents may be charged in District Court for failure to see that their children attend school. Parents can be found guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine not to exceed $50 per day of unlawful absence, or imprisonment not to exceed 5 days or both.

Truancy Intervention for Parents (TIPP)- http://educationforprevention.com/ ($19.95 fee to complete course)

Family Preservation Referral

Responsible Actions Attendance Program

Anne Arundel Community College Parenting classes

Strengthening Families

Brochure
Outside Food

In consideration of wellness issues and student allergies, outside food is discouraged to share with classmates. Packages of foods/beverages (i.e. cupcakes, juices, etc.) from parents to share with the class will be denied.

School supplies

In an effort to significantly reduce the back-to-school supplies and/or activity-type fees that families are typically asked to provide, the school will be funding the purchase of school supplies in order to reduce financial burdens.

Summer 2022 Camp Registration Began

AACPS has planned a wide range of summer programs for elementary, middle and high school students. Programs will be focused on helping students engage in enrichment or unfinished learning, with a focus on mathematics, literacy, and preparing for the next grade level. All programs will support students to have fun while building healthy relationships with peers, practicing skills, and learning new concepts.

More information can be found at https://www.aacps.org/summer
**Free and Reduced Meals**

All students may apply to receive free or reduced-price meals at AACPS. Online applications are now accepted for the 2021-2022 school year. The online process has proven to be fast and accurate, is available in English and Spanish, and can be completed on a computer or smartphone.

Please click on the following link to apply: [http://aacpsschools.org/nutrition/apply-for-free-or-reduced-price-meals/](http://aacpsschools.org/nutrition/apply-for-free-or-reduced-price-meals/)

Families of students who qualified for free or reduced-price meals last year must re-apply and submit a new application for this new school year.

*All students will receive free breakfast and lunch for the 2021-2022 school year.*
Taking Care Of Your Chromebook

Students and parents/guardians are responsible for the general care of the device they have been issued. Anne Arundel County Public Schools has issued Chromebooks in order to support access to virtual learning. When a Chromebook becomes damaged, that learning is interrupted, so please take care of your Chromebook as you would take care of your gaming station or cell phone. For resources and help using your Chromebook, please visit AACPS Virtual Learning Information www.aacps.org/virtuallearning.

Transporting your Chromebook

Always carry and transport your Chromebook with care.
The screen is delicate and can crack easily. Always be sure the lid is completely closed and secured before moving your Chromebook.

Screen Care

Your Chromebook screen can easily be damaged! Excessive pressure can break the screen.

In Case of a Spill

If a liquid spills into the Chromebook, unplug it immediately. Do not plug back in until it is thoroughly dry.

If your Chromebook is not working, contact your school or email ChromebookIssues@aacps.org.
AACPS | Cuidando su Chromebook

Los estudiantes y los padres/tutores son responsables del cuidado general del dispositivo que han sido emitidos. Las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Anne Arundel ha emitido Chromebooks con el fin de apoyar el acceso al aprendizaje virtual. Cuando un Chromebook se daña, ese aprendizaje se interrumpe, así que por favor, cuida su Chromebook, al igual que cuidarías a tu estación de juegos o teléfono celular. Para obtener recursos y ayuda para usar su Chromebook, visite AACPS Información de Aprendizaje Virtual www.aacps.org/virtuallearning.

![Iconos de consejos de cuidado para el Chromebook]

Protege tu contraseña. No compartas tu contraseña o información de cuenta.
Mantengan todos los alimentos y bebidas lejos de su dispositivo.
Tenga cuidado al insertar y quitar el cordón, cables y dispositivos externos.
No le pongas objetos extraños en tu Chromebook.

Transporte de tu Chromebook

Lleve y transporte siempre su Chromebook con cuidado.
La pantalla es delicada y se puede agrietar fácilmente. Asegúrese siempre de que la tapa esté completamente cerrada y asegurada antes de mover tu Chromebook.

![Iconos de consejos de transporte para el Chromebook]

Nunca mueva un dispositivo levantándolo de la pantalla.
Asegúrese de que todos los objetos estén fuera del camino antes de cerrar la pantalla.
Tenga cuidado al llevar el dispositivo en una funda o mochila. Cuadernos, libros, escritura utensilios, auriculares, etc. pueden poner demasiada presión y peso en la pantalla del Chromebook. Los artículos pequeños pueden deslizarse entre la pantalla y el teclado.

Cuidado de la Pantalla

¡La pantalla de tu Chromebook se puede dañar fácilmente! Una presión excesiva puede romper la pantalla.

![Iconos de consejos de cuidado para la pantalla]

No incline ni coloque nada en la parte superior del dispositivo que pueda ejercer presión sobre la pantalla.
No almacene el dispositivo con la pantalla en exposición abierta.

Si tu Chromebook no funciona, ponerse en contacto con su escuela o correo electrónico ChromebookIssues@aacps.org.

En Caso de un Derrame

Si un líquido se derrama en el Chromebook, desconéctalo inmediatamente. No vuelva a enchufarlo hasta que esté completamente seco.

Si tu Chromebook no funciona, ponerse en contacto con su escuela o correo electrónico ChromebookIssues@aacps.org.
Welcoming Students Back: What Families Can Do

AACPS follows the professional and expert recommendations of local and state health officials, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to make informed decisions regarding the health and safety of students, staff, and visitors.

Please note that public health data and information which informs such recommendations are subject to change. AACPS will make modifications in accordance with local, state, and federal requirements.

Health

- Symptoms that should prompt staying at home are any ONE of the following: fever of 100.4° or higher, sore throat, cough, difficulty breathing, diarrhea or vomiting, new onset of severe headache (especially with fever), or new loss of taste or smell. For persons with chronic conditions such as asthma, the symptoms should represent a change from the baseline.
  
  If a student has any of these symptoms, they must not attend school and the school must be immediately notified. A healthy student checklist is available at www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols. If a student develops or presents symptoms while at school, parents/guardians will be asked to promptly pick up their student.

- If a student has been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19, the child must not come to school without advice from the county Department of Health.

- Make sure that your child’s immunizations are up to date.
- Consider flu shots for your family.
- Pack water, hand sanitizer, an extra cloth face covering, and other materials that cannot be shared.
- Remind your child of proper and frequent hand washing.
- Teach your child about appropriate distancing, helping them to understand what maintaining a safe distance of space from others looks like.
- Review AACPS’ suite of safety protocols and facilities adjustments to be familiar with the steps taken by staff to keep students safe.
- Continue healthy habits like eating a balanced diet, exercising, and getting plenty of sleep.

Face Coverings in School

- Unless they have an approved accommodation, all persons in school facilities must wear a cloth face covering in accordance with applicable state and local mandates, except when eating meals. Face coverings are recommended to be worn at the bus stop and are required to be worn on the bus.

- Choose face coverings with breathable material that fit snugly, but comfortably over the nose and mouth.

- Neck gaiter and other similar products are not acceptable as cloth face coverings.

- Label your child’s face covering.

- Help your child understand that wearing a face covering may also help prevent others from getting sick.

- Show your child how to carefully place and remove their face covering with clean hands.

- Indoors, all students and staff – regardless of age or vaccination status – will be masked except in limited circumstances. More information can be found at www.aacps.org/fall2021.

- Face coverings must be worn over the nose and mouth and securely around the face.

- Before putting on the face covering, hands should be clean (soap and water or hand sanitizer)

- Face coverings should not be worn while wet, as doing so could make it more difficult to breathe.
Welcoming Students Back: What Families Can Do

**Be Well – Mental Health**

- **Talk to your child about their feelings around going back to school.** Help them to understand that their classrooms and interactions will be different. School staff will help them adjust by providing lessons and encouragement on new school procedures.

- **Stay connected with your child’s school.** School staff value relationships, especially during times of uncertainty and unfamiliarity.

- **Reach out to your child’s school counselor** or visit [www.aacps.org/crisisresources](http://www.aacps.org/crisisresources) for support.

- **Review the Confirmed Case guidance protocol at [www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols](http://www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols) to fully understand what happens if your child’s school is affected by a laboratory confirmed case of COVID-19.**

- **Remember that you are not alone.** AACPS is made up of many resilient and kind individuals who make a mighty awesome community.
Dando la Bienvenida a los Estudiantes de Regreso a Clases: lo que las familias pueden hacer

AACPS sigue las recomendaciones profesionales y expertas de los funcionarios de salud locales y estatales, y de los Centros para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades (CDC) para tomar decisiones informadas con respecto a la salud y la seguridad de los estudiantes, el personal y los visitantes.

Tenga en cuenta que los datos de salud pública y la información que informa dichas recomendaciones están sujetos a cambios. AACPS hará modificaciones de acuerdo con los requisitos locales, estatales y federales.

Salud

- **Los síntomas que deben provocar quedarse en casa son CUALQUIERA de los siguientes:** fiebre de 100.4°F grados o más, dolor de garganta, tos, dificultad para respirar, diarrea o vómitos, nueva aparición de dolor de cabeza intenso (especialmente con fiebre) o nueva pérdida del gusto o del olfato. Para las personas con enfermedades crónicas como el asma, los síntomas deben representar un cambio con respecto a la enfermedad.

- Si un estudiante tiene alguno de estos síntomas, no debe asistir a la escuela y la escuela debe ser notificada de inmediato. Una lista de verificación para estudiantes saludables está disponible en [www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols](http://www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols). Si un estudiante desarrolla o presenta síntomas mientras está en la escuela, se les pedirá a los padres/tutores que recojan de inmediato a su estudiante.

- **Si un estudiante ha estado en contacto cercano con alguien que tiene COVID-19, el niño no debe venir a la escuela sin el consejo del Departamento de Salud del condado.**

- Asegúrese de que **las vacunas de su estudiante están actualizadas.**

- **Considere las vacunas contra la gripe para su familia.**

- Empaque **agua, desinfectante de manos, un cubrebocas de tela adicional y otros materiales que NO se puedan compartir.**

- Recuerde a su estudiante el lavado de manos adecuado y frecuente.

- Enséñele a su estudiante sobre el distanciamiento apropiado, ayudándolo a comprender cómo es mantener una distancia segura del espacio con los demás.

- Revisar el conjunto de protocolos de seguridad y ajustes de instalaciones de AACPS para estar familiarizado con los pasos tomados por el personal para mantener a los estudiantes seguros.

- **Continue con hábitos saludables** como comer una dieta equilibrada, hacer ejercicio y dormir lo suficiente.

Cubrebocas en la Escuela

- A menos que tengan una autorización aprobada, todas las personas en las Instalaciones escolares deben usar una cubierta facial o cubrebocas de tela de acuerdo con los mandatos estatales y locales aplicables, excepto cuando comen. Se recomienda usar los cubrebocas en la parada de autobús y se requiere que se usen en el autobús.

- Elija cubrebocas o cubiertas faciales **con material transpirable** que se ajusten perfectamente, pero cómodamente sobre la nariz y la boca.

- **Las que son para el cuello y de otros productos similares** no son aceptables como cubiertas faciales de tela.

- **Etiquete la cubierta facial de su estudiante.**

- Ayude a su estudiante a entender que **usar una cubierta facial también puede ayudar a prevenir que otros se enfermen.**

- Muéstrele a su estudiante cómo colocar y quitarse cuidadosamente la cubierta facial con las manos limpias.

- En interiores, todos los estudiantes y el personal, independientemente de su edad o estado de vacunación, estarán enmascarados, excepto en circunstancias limitadas. Se puede encontrar más información en [www.aacps.org/fall2021](http://www.aacps.org/fall2021).

- Los cubrebocas deben **usarse sobre la nariz y la boca y de forma segura alrededor de la cara.**

- **Antes de ponerse el cubrebocas, las manos deben estar limpias** (agua y jabón o desinfectante de manos).

- **No se deben usar cubiertas faciales mientras está mojado,** ya que hacerlo podría dificultar la respiración.
Dando la Bienvenida a los Estudiantes de Regreso a Clases: lo que las familias pueden hacer

El Estar Bien – Su Salud Mental

- **Hable con su estudiante sobre sus sentimientos en torno al regreso a la escuela.** Ayúdelos a entender que sus aulas e interacciones serán diferentes. El personal de la escuela los ayudará a adaptarse a brindarles lecciones y aliento sobre los nuevos procedimientos escolares.

- **Manténgase conectado con la escuela de su estudiante.** El personal de la escuela valora las relaciones, especialmente en tiempos de incertidumbre y falta de familiaridad.

- **Comuníquese con el consejero escolar** o visite [www.aacps.org/crisisresources](http://www.aacps.org/crisisresources) para obtener apoyo.

- Revise el protocolo de orientación de casos confirmados en [www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols](http://www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols) para comprender completamente lo que sucede si la escuela de su estudiante se ve afectada por un caso confirmado por laboratorio de COVID-19.

- **Recuerda que no estás solo.** AACPS está formado por muchas personas resilientes y amables que conforman una comunidad poderosa e increíble.

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Back2Awesome Notes
2021–2022 School Year

Daily Health Screenings
Students and employees must assess their health before coming to school every day. Use the checklists at www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols to make sure that none of the listed symptoms are present.

Masks
Masks must be worn by anyone, regardless of age or vaccination status, inside of any AACPS building. Gaiters are NOT permitted. Details about all practices and protocols for the safety of all can be reviewed at www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols.

Transportation Service
All bus riders must wear a mask at all times, regardless of age or vaccination status. The nationwide bus driver shortage will have an impact on AACPS transportation services. To see an up-to-date listing of impacted bus routes, go to www.aacps.org/buses.

New Learning Management System
Teachers and students will start the school year using Brightspace, the new learning management system that will help integrate various learning platforms to provide a more seamless teaching and learning experience. Families will learn more about Brightspace in the weeks to come. www.aacps.org/brightspaceforfamilies

Forms for your convenience
Families will have the option of completing forms online in the Parent Portal to provide convenience and better bookkeeping. www.aacps.org/parentportal
- Code of Student Conduct Acknowledgement – parents/guardians will be able to electronically acknowledge their review of the Student Handbook
- Absentee Notes – parents/guardians will be able to send absentee notes to notify schools of student absences

Visiting School
Parents/guardians must make appointments for general school business and some meetings may occur in a virtual environment. In instances of emergency or general drop-off of items, please contact the school before arriving.

School Meals
Meals are free for students for the 2021–2022 school year; however, completion of the free/reduced price meal application ensure that AACPS can maintain and meet the needs of students through federal programming. This application also affords families qualification for other programs that could benefit them. https://aacpsschools.org/nutrition/apply-for-free-or-reduced-price-meals/
**Notas Back2Awesome para el Curso escolar 2021–2022**

**Exámenes de Salud Diarios**
Los estudiantes y empleados deben evaluar su salud antes de venir a la escuela todos los días. Use las listas de verificación en [www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols](http://www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols) para asegurarse de que ningún de los síntomas enumerados esté presente.

**Cubrebocas**
Los cubrebocas deben ser usadas por cualquier persona, independientemente de su edad o estado de vacunación, dentro de cualquier edificio de AACPS. Las polainas NO están permitidas. Los detalles sobre todas las prácticas y protocolos para la seguridad de todos se pueden revisar en [www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols](http://www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols).

**Servicio de Transporte**
Todos los pasajeros de autobuses deben usar una máscara en todo momento, independientemente de la edad o el estado de vacunación. La escasez de conductores de autobuses en todo el país tendrá un impacto en los servicios de transporte de AACPS. Para ver una lista actualizada de las rutas de autobuses afectadas, vaya a [www.aacps.org/buses](http://www.aacps.org/buses).

**Nuevo sistema de Gestión del Aprendizaje**
Los maestros y los estudiantes comenzarán el año escolar utilizando Brightspace, el nuevo sistema de gestión del aprendizaje que ayudará a integrar varias plataformas de aprendizaje para proporcionar una experiencia de enseñanza y aprendizaje más fluida. Las familias aprenderán más sobre Brightspace en las próximas semanas. [www.aacps.org/brightspaceforfamilies](http://www.aacps.org/brightspaceforfamilies)

**Formularios para su conveniencia**
Las familias tendrán la opción de completar formularios en línea en el Portal para padres para brindar conveniencia y una mejor contabilidad. [www.aacps.org/parentportal](http://www.aacps.org/parentportal)

- Reconocimiento del Código de Conducta estudiantil: los padres/tutores podrán reconocer electrónicamente su revisión del Manual del estudiante
- Notas de ausencia: los padres/tutores podrán enviar notas de ausencia para notificar a las escuelas de las ausencias de los estudiantes

**Visitaando la escuela**
Los padres/tutores deben hacer citas para negocios generales de la escuela y algunas reuniones pueden ocurrir en un entorno virtual. En casos de emergencia o entrega general de artículos, comuníquese con la escuela antes de llegar.

**Comidas Escolares**
Las comidas son gratuitas para los estudiantes para el año escolar 2021–2022; sin embargo, la finalización de la solicitud de comida gratuita/a precio reducido garantiza que AACPS pueda mantener y satisfacer las necesidades de los estudiantes a través de la programación federal. Esta solicitud también brinda a las familias la calificación para otros programas que podrían beneficiarlos. [https://aacpschools.org/nutrition/apply-for-free-or-reduced-price-meals/](https://aacpschools.org/nutrition/apply-for-free-or-reduced-price-meals/)
Daily Screening Student Checklist

Please use the following checklist to monitor your student’s health every day. If students exhibit any of these symptoms, they must not attend school until symptom free and advised by the county health department.

Review AACPS’ suite of safety protocols at www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols to be familiar with the steps taken by staff to keep students safe.

If your student has any ONE of the following symptoms, please do NOT send them to school. Additionally, please get them tested for COVID-19 or obtain an alternate diagnosis from a medical professional:

- temperature of 100.4°F or higher
- sore throat
- cough
- difficulty breathing
- diarrhea or vomiting
- new onset of severe headache, especially with a fever
- new loss of taste or smell

For persons with chronic conditions such as asthma, the symptoms should represent a change from the baseline.

Has my student been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19?
They must not come to school without advice from the Anne Arundel County Department of Heath.

Are my student’s immunizations up to date?

Did I pack materials that cannot be shared?
water, hand sanitizer, an extra cloth face covering, etc.

Did I remind my student of proper hand washing and physical distancing?

Does my student have a clean cloth face covering made of breathable material that fits snugly?
Unless they have an approved accommodation, students must wear a cloth face covering in accordance with applicable state and local mandates, except in limited circumstances. Face coverings must be worn at the bus stop and traveling on a bus to and from school.
LISTA DE VERIFICACIÓN DÍA DE SALUD DE ESTUDIANTES

Utilice la siguiente lista de verificación para revisar la salud de su estudiante todos los días. Si los estudiantes presentan alguno de estos síntomas, no deben asistir a la escuela hasta que estén libres de síntomas y sean aconsejados por el departamento de salud del condado.

Revise los protocolos de seguridad de AACPS en www.aacps.org/safetyprotocols para estar familiarizado con los pasos tomados por el personal para mantener a los estudiantes saludables y seguros.

Si su estudiante tiene UNO de los siguientes síntomas, POR FAVOR NO lo envíe a la escuela. Además, haga que se hagan la prueba de COVID-19 u obtenga un diagnóstico alternativo de un profesional médico:

☐ temperatura de 100.4°F o superior
☐ Dolor de garganta
☐ Tos
☐ Dificultad para respirar
☐ diarrea o vómitos
☐ nueva aparición de dolor de cabeza intenso, especialmente con fiebre
☐ nueva pérdida del gusto o del olfato

Para las personas con enfermedades crónicas como el asma, los síntomas deben representar un cambio con respecto a la línea de base.

☐ ¿Mi estudiante ha estado en contacto cercano con alguien que tiene COVID-19?
   No deben venir a la escuela sin el asesoramiento del Departamento de Salud del Condado de Anne Arundel.

☐ ¿Están actualizadas las vacunas de mi estudiante?

☐ ¿Empaque materiales y artículos que no se pueden compartir?
   agua, desinfectante de manos, cubrebocas extra, etc.

☐ ¿Le recordé a mi estudiante el lavado de manos adecuado y el distanciamiento físico?

☐ ¿Mi estudiante tiene un cubrebocas hecho de material transpirable que se ajuste perfectamente?
   A menos que tengan una adaptación aprobada, los estudiantes deben usar un cubrebocas de tela de acuerdo con los mandatos estatales y locales aplicables, excepto en circunstancias limitadas. Los cubrebocas deben usarse en la parada de autobús, al viajar en un autobús hacia y desde la escuela. También en todo momento dentro del edificio escolar.

Notifique a la escuela de su estudiante. www.aacps.org/schoollist

El número de teléfono de la escuela de mi estudiante es:
Chaperone/Volunteer Background Investigation Application

Background investigations are required for all overnight chaperones, volunteers, and student teachers who have unsupervised access to students either on or off school property. Unsupervised access is defined as an adult having responsibility for a student or students not in the direct and continuous view of a school staff member. A background check is required regardless of how brief the unsupervised time will be.

Background investigations forms must be submitted online* and a minimum of three weeks prior to the event. Applicants are required to review and acknowledge the AACPS screening criteria for chaperone and volunteer background investigations before applying for a background check.

Please consider submitting your application now so that you will be cleared for any upcoming events.

https://www.aacps.org/Page/1869

Mandatory Volunteer Video

In addition to the background check, volunteers are required to watch a short video prior to volunteering.

You may use the link below to view the Volunteer Video:

https://md02215556.schoolwires.net/Page/2460

Please fill out the form on the next page after viewing the video and return to school.

Thank you for your assistance to keep our students safe!
Anne Arundel County Public Schools
Volunteer Program
Sexual Harassment and Child Abuse Video Viewing

Once you have viewed the Sexual Harassment and Child Abuse video online, complete this form and return it to the Staff Liaison for Volunteers at your school.

I certify that I have viewed the Sexual Harassment and Child Abuse video in its entirety and I understand the information contained in it.

_________________________________
Name (please print)

_________________________________
Signature

_________________________________
Child’s Full Name

_________________________________
Email address/phone number

_________________________________
Date

_________________________________
School
Dear Parents,

Educational technology and funding changes daily. To keep up with these changes and expenses, our school is partnering with Weis Markets in the Weis 4 School program. By participating in this program, we can earn money for our school simply by shopping as we all do every day. When you shop at Weis, scan the barcode below to register your Weis Club Card. Once you register, you’re in the program and you do not need to register again. Please share this barcode with your friends and relatives so they can earn points for our school too.

Thank you for supporting our school with much needed funding!

Our school’s code

SEVEN OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

www.weismarkets.com
Clean Out Your Closet Challenge

Seven Oaks Elementary is participating in the Clothing To Cash Recycling Program

Help our School Raise Money!
We accept New and Used Clothing, Shoes, Sneakers, Towels and Textiles. Every Item Counts!!!

We want items in ALL conditions, unwanted, outgrown and out of style.

Seven Oaks Elementary will be paid for every pound we collect.
Collections will be Reworn, Repurposed or finally Recycled.

Look for the large white collection bin in the school parking lot.
The goal is to FILL our collection bin WEEKLY with as many PLASTIC BAGS of clothing, shoes and other textiles as possible!

Clothing should never be considered garbage. Save our landfills and give your items a second life. This is an easy way for our school to raise money for necessary resources that our children deserve.

Help Support Our School & Save The Environment One Bag At A Time!
Facts about COVID-19 vaccines

Vaccines (shots) are one of the tools we have to fight the COVID-19 pandemic.

To stop this pandemic, we need to use all of our prevention tools. Vaccines are one of the most effective tools to protect your health and prevent disease. Vaccines work with your body’s natural defenses so your body will be ready to fight the virus, if you are exposed (also called immunity). Other steps, like wearing a mask that covers your nose and mouth and staying at least 6 feet away from other people you don’t live with, also help stop the spread of COVID-19.

Studies show that COVID-19 vaccines are very effective at keeping you from getting COVID-19. Experts also think that getting a COVID-19 vaccine may help keep you from getting seriously ill even if you do get COVID-19. These vaccines cannot give you the disease itself.

The vaccines are safe. The U.S. vaccine safety system makes sure that all vaccines are as safe as possible. All the COVID-19 vaccines that are being used have gone through the same safety tests and meet the same standards as any other vaccines produced through the years. A system in place across the entire country that allows CDC to watch for safety issues and make sure the vaccines stay safe.

Different types of COVID-19 vaccines will be available. Most of these vaccines are given in two shots, one at a time and spaced apart. The first shot gets your body ready. The second shot is given at least three weeks later to make sure you have full protection. If you are told you need two shots, make sure that you get both of them. The vaccines may work in slightly different ways, but all types of the vaccines will help protect you.

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/vaccines

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The vaccines may cause side effects in some people, like sore muscles, feeling tired, or mild fever. These reactions mean the vaccine is working to help teach your body how to fight COVID-19 if you are exposed. For most people, these side effects will last no longer than a day or two. Having these types of side effects does NOT mean that you have COVID-19. If you have questions about your health after your shot, call your doctor, nurse, or clinic. As with any medicine, it is rare but possible to have a serious reaction, such as not being able to breathe. It is very unlikely that this will happen, but if it does, call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room.

When you get the vaccine, you and your healthcare worker will both need to wear masks.

CDC recommends that during the pandemic, people wear a mask that covers their nose and mouth when in contact with others outside their household, when in healthcare facilities, and when receiving any vaccine, including a COVID-19 vaccine.

Even after you get your vaccine, you will need to keep wearing a mask that covers your nose and mouth, washing your hands often, and staying at least 6 feet away from other people you do not live with. This gives you and others the best protection from catching the virus. Right now, experts don’t know how long the vaccine will protect you, so it’s a good idea to continue following the guidelines from CDC and your health department. We also know not everyone will be able to get vaccinated right away, so it’s still important to protect yourself and others.
A little birdie told me...

**Seven Oaks Elementary is now on Twitter!**

Follow us @SevenOaksES

Get news and updates from our school and AACPS

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**Video Camera System**

Seven Oaks Elementary School is equipped with a video camera system. It covers selected interior and exterior public portions of the building and grounds. It is not monitored constantly but is monitored during emergency situations. During certain events, when the safety or security of students may be in question, authorized personnel from local, state, or federal police or fire emergency units may be given access to view images projected on the camera system. If you have any questions about the system, you may call the office of School Security, at (410) 222-5083.
Save a Tree!!

The Seven Oaks administrative staff strives to be environmentally conscious. One measure we started was an electronic version of the Pride Post monthly newsletter. Instead of sending home a paper copy of the multipage newsletter to all 700+ students, it is now available online. You may access the newsletter, and other information regarding Seven Oaks, by visiting the AACPS website, clicking on ‘Elementary Schools’ and scrolling to find Seven Oaks.

If you would still like to receive a paper copy of the Pride Post, please complete the form below and send it back to school with your child. This is the only paper newsletter of the year that will be distributed to everyone.

Sincerely,
The SOE Office Staff

____ Yes, I need a paper copy of the monthly newsletter sent home.  
(Please only return one form per family.)

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(Student Name)              (Teacher’s Name)