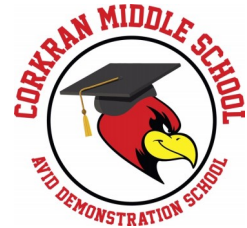




# CORKRAN MIDDLE

October/November 2019



Corkran Middle School in **collaboration** with families and the community, promotes a **positive** academic environment where all students are celebrated and **supported** as they meet and exceed high academic standards to prepare them to become **re-sponsible** citizens in a constantly transforming society.

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### Cardinal P.R.I.D.E. Pledge

I am a Proud Cardinal because I am:

**Professional  
Profesional**

**Respectful  
Respetuoso**

**Independent  
Independiente**

**Determined  
Determinado**

**Engaged  
Comprometido**

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

### October

- 7 Interims sent home
- 8 2 Hour Early Dismissal
- 9 Yom Kippur Schools & Central Offices Closed
- 15/16 Schools Closed for Students - Parent Teacher Conferences
- 25 Picture Make-up Day/Trunk or Treat-6:30-8 (Corkran)

### November

- 7/8 End of first MP—Two hour Early Dismissal
- 11—15 American Education Week
- 20 Report Card Distribution
- 27—29 Thanksgiving Holiday Schools & Central Offices Closed

### December

- 5 2 Hour Early Dismissal
- 13 Interims sent home
- 23 Beginning of Christmas/ Winter Break

### January

- 2 Schools open for students

## MESSAGE FROM THE



Corkran Middle School Families,

I wanted to take a moment and celebrate the perseverance and flexibility that you have all shown as we have started this school year. I appreciate that everyone has worked together to support what is best for our students here at Corkran. If you haven't had a chance, it is critical that you sign up for Parent Connect. This is an important way for you to check on your child's grades and progress. Please take time to talk with your student so that he/she reflects with you, plans for assistance with teachers, and prepares for the second part of the 1st MP. We want students to begin to plan and prioritize their resources and time. However, they will need us to spur them along. As always, we have Tuesday after school help sessions for every teacher and twice per week, we help students during advisory time.

Please remember that the 7th and 8th of November signify the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> MP. I know that students have been working hard, and their teachers have been giving them grade sheets and some time for reflection. Parents, please know that students do get grade sheets every week on Monday morning. They are asked to reflect, and to think about what teachers they need to see in order to improve their grades. So, please make sure to check on Parent Connect and ask for your child's grade sheet and what their plan is for the week. Please also remember that we post our weekly homework to our website under the student tab on the left side of our webpage. The beginning of the second MP is November 11<sup>th</sup>. Report cards from the 1<sup>st</sup> MP will be sent home on November 20<sup>th</sup>. Our Thanksgiving Holiday break this school year is the 27th, 28th, and 29th of November. Please talk with your child about staying focused and ready to learn as we see concentration dip a little bit in the months of November and December. If we work together, we can make sure that students are ready to learn and maximize their opportunities. Thank you for your continued support!!

*Adam Zetwick, Principal*

## Students of the Month—September

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Encore :

6th Grade: Aiden Hill; Bolu Ayeni;

7th Grade: Dylan Cunningham; Jennifer Thompson

8th Grade: Cameron Healey; Ciera Bailey

Core Classes:

6th Grade: Malia Gonzalez; Aiden Churchill

7th Grade: Henry Pickard; Matthew Brown

8th Grade: Camryn Guinta; Jessica Mejia-Moran

Congratulations to these students for their hard work during the first month of school!

### 6th Grade—Team Navy

Team Navy is off to a wonderful start. We are greatly enjoying teaching this group of 6th graders. They have been working very hard in all their classes. Keep up the great work! 😊

### 6th Grade—Team UMBC Retrievers

This is a reminder to parents that students should continue to carry and maintain their 3 inch AVID binder. In addition, students have Math, LA, and SS HW nightly, and Science HW occasionally. This week, they are completing an extended writing assignment in LA. Our first incentive will be on November 11<sup>th</sup> during 1<sup>st</sup> period – students pay 25 Cardinal Cash (and must not have referrals) to be eligible for this incentive. **Prize donations are appreciated.** □ Information regarding our first field trip will be sent out at the beginning of the new year.

### 7th Grade—Team Florida Gators & Towson Tigers

Both 7th grade teams will be going on a field trip on October 25th to the Science Center and the Hard Rock Café. All students are scheduled to go on the field trip. Please make sure permission slips are turned in by Monday, October 14th. Students are not allowed to attend without a signed permission slip. If you wish to volunteer as a chaperone, you must have gone through the background check through Anne Arundel County and been approved.

Students are looking forward to this field trip and we hope to have a wonderful day!

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### FACS News

7<sup>th</sup> Grade FACS students took home their egg babies last weekend. They are to bring it in to school each day and take it home each day!

8<sup>th</sup> Grade FACS students have their mock job interviews on 10/17, they should be wearing interview attire.

ALL FACS Students should have their safety contracts turned in by now if they would like to move on to the cooking unit.

### Lifetouch Photography by Segall Majestic

Make-up Pictures will be taken on Friday, October 25th. These pictures will be the ones used in the yearbook. Please make sure your child dresses appropriately for his/her school picture. ID cards will also be issued from these pictures. Information will be sent home sometime around the beginning of September. If your child does not have a school picture taken, their photo will not be in the yearbook. If you have any questions, please call the main office.



## PTSA News

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The PTSA is looking for members! Please consider joining the PTSA to support Corkran and all the activities they help to provide. Forms will be sent home with your student during the first week of school and will also be available on the Corkran PTSA website at [CorkranPTSA@gmail.com](mailto:CorkranPTSA@gmail.com).

Officers for the 2019-2020 school year are Teri Cunningham will be the President; Rachel Black, Vice-President; Heather Morrison, Secretary and Allison Stauffer, Treasurer.

**Dues for Parents and teachers will be \$10 and students will be \$5.**

## Harvest for the Hungry

Harvest for the Hungry is collecting non perishable food items and money donations until 10/31 for the Anne Arundel County Food Bank. The homeroom with the most donations wins a donut prize. This is a very important part of our school and we try our best to help keep the food bank kitchen stocked. All AACPS collect for this worthwhile cause. Please send in your food items and help those who are less fortunate.

## Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat will be held again this year on Friday, October 25th from 6:30—8 p.m. Current RHLee, Corkran, Quarterfield, Oakwood, and Woodside students and the children of teachers and staff are invited to dress in costumes and trunk-or-treat! (Weapons of any kind are not permitted) Food and drink is available for purchase. All students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times. Staff of the participating schools and volunteers with a current background check can sign up to decorate a car. For more information, or if you have questions, please email Teri Cunningham at [tericunningham1975@yahoo.com](mailto:tericunningham1975@yahoo.com) Please come out and join the fun!

## Community Event!

Our Second Quarter Community Event. A Night of Excellence Lights! Camera! Literacy! will be on November 15th. This is a combination of two awesome events from last year; Literacy Night and Showcase. Details about the event will come out as we get closer to the date. Our two School Improvement Committees, Literacy and Community Involvement are working together to make this an exceptional event for our Corkran Community!

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