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BOE Approves FY2018 Negotiated Agreements with Two More Employee Bargaining Units

On the heels of an agreement with the Teachers Association of Anne Arundel County (TAAAC), the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County today [approved](#) a two-year agreement with the Association of Educational Leaders (AEL) and a one-year deal with the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 1693, leaving only one employee bargaining unit without a negotiated agreement heading into the start of the new fiscal year.

BOE Accepting Applications for Citizens Advisory Committee

The Board of Education is now [accepting applications](#) for openings on the Executive Committee of its countywide Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC), a 30-member panel that provides input and advice on specific issues surrounding education throughout the county.

Employee Discount Program Offers Expanding List of Options

Businesses and organizations offer significant discounts and special offers to all AACPS employees. If you have not visited the Employee Discount Page recently, make sure that you check the listings before making your next purchase. Whether you are buying a new home or a new outfit, planning a night out or a trip, considering gym membership or a new cell phone contract - always check out your special discounts first. [Click here for your discounts!](#)

Miscellaneous Items

The next edition of **AXIS** will be published after Labor Day.

[Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Arts Integration Information Meeting](#)

[Family Game Night at Crate & Barrel in Annapolis Mall](#)

[Books for Bill Summer Reading Program](#)

Tweet of the Week:

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It was a beautiful day for Field Day on Friday! [#AACPSAwesome](#)



Professional Development Opportunities

Information, Registration for Maryland Virtual Learning Now Online

The Early Talent Development online MSDE course (3.0 MSDE CPD credits) is now open for enrollment through June 9. This course is recommended for pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and

elementary-school staff. Information and registration for this course and other **Maryland Virtual Learning Professional Development Opportunities** can be found in the [Summer Course Catalog](#). To register for a summer online professional learning course, go to <https://msde.gosignmeup.com>. *Please note that MSDE will not offer online PD courses in the fall due to a transitional period for the learning management system.*

Summer Edcamp AACPS

Edcamp AACPS will host a summer Edcamp opportunity for educators on August 1, 2017. Register now and order your Edcamp T-shirt! SRN: 3002118001

Take the lead and join your colleagues for the unconference experience.

<http://www.aacpsschools.org/edcamp/>

Target Field Trip Grants

Deadline: August 1 - October 1, 2017

Funds: Up to \$700 grant

Eligibility: Schools

Description: It has become increasingly difficult for schools to fund learning opportunities outside the classroom. To help them out, Target launched Target Field Trip™ grants in 2007. Since then, they have made it possible for millions of students to go on a field trip.

Web: <https://corporate.target.com/corporate-responsibility/grants/field-trip-grants>

Summer 2017 Professional Development Opportunities

Registration for [Summer 2017 Professional Development Workshops](#) is open in ERO. Many workshops begin as early as Monday, June 12, 2017. Please register at least three days prior to the workshop start date.

These and other professional development opportunities, as well as college course information, can be accessed through the [Professional Growth and Development Intranet page](#) under Professional Development Opportunities.

Several colleges offer individual courses, many of which count towards certification. Prior to enrolling in a course, it is encouraged that you contact your certification specialist to ensure that the course meets with your certification needs.

Information Session for TESOL Program on June 6

In partnership with Anne Arundel County Public Schools, the University of Maryland-College Park will be offering a 12-credit (four-course) [Post-Baccalaureate Certificate Program](#) in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) for teachers in all disciplines interested in learning to address English learners' academic, linguistic, and cultural needs across the curriculum. The program is anticipated to begin Fall 2017.

An Information Session will be held on **Tuesday, June 6, from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** in the Carver Center Auditorium. Program content, dates, costs, and the application process will be discussed. Please RSVP for the Interest Session to Dr. Drew Fagan, UMD TESOL Program Outreach Coordinator, at dfagan@umd.edu with "AACPS Information Session" in the subject.

Join Us for the Summer Institute for Arts Integrated Learning:

Registration is OPEN!

Learn how to infuse the arts with content lessons & motivate and engage your students to soar!

July 24 to July 28, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Brooklyn Park Middle School, Brooklyn Park, MD

- Participate in our newest five-day workshop where you will learn how Dance, Music, Theater, and Visual Arts are used as a means to access any content area through arts integration. Train with Master Teaching Artists who will provide three hours of instruction where you will explore and experience a variety of strategies for integrating the art form into your lessons. This year's sessions will provide options for incorporating the arts into STEM with **STEAM** strategies.
 - Days 1 – 4: daily sessions in the four art forms as well as media (technology) arts with certified teaching artists at Brooklyn Park Middle School (200 Hammonds Lane, Baltimore, MD 21225), plus other interactive and collaborative sessions relating to arts integration practices as well as an Arts Integration vendor fair.
 - Day 5: Interactive field trips to local Baltimore arts studios and museums to experience fun, engaging, and educational hands-on art (transportation included).
- Collaborate, network, and experience arts integration in grade level-differentiated teams consisting of teaching artists, Anne Arundel County teachers, other Maryland school system teachers, and international teachers.
- Receive support and resources from trained facilitators to discuss and determine how the art forms connect to the Common Core standards and your content.
- **Receive 3 MSDE credits** or 3 University of MD credits (tuition payment to UMD required) upon completion of the program and submittal of 2 lessons for an arts integrated unit.
- **Attending a second time? You can receive 3 more MSDE credits!**
- Enjoy delicious Continental Breakfasts and Lunches (included)!
- **Have fun!**
- **Free for AACPS (PRE-K – 12) AACPS Teachers: Register on ERO**
- Non AACPS participants: \$400. Make checks payable to "AACPS."

REGISTER NOW ON ERO to reserve your spot: [8002718001](tel:8002718001) (*Integrate, Innovate, Collaborate: Building 21st Century Schools in AACPS*) Questions? Contact Pat Klos: pklos@aacps.org

SUBMISSIONS TO AXIS:

News items for the newsletter can now be submitted to [SUBMISSION TO AXIS](#).