



K-12 Education News

From the School Liaison

January 2026

Hello Families,

Below are some wonderful resources available to you:

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Parents Place of Maryland:

<https://www.ppmd.org/>



Sign up for the up-coming classes:

Calendar

Coffee and Conversations: Middle & High School

January 5, 2026 @ 12:00 pm - January 5, 2026 @ 1:00 pm

Coffee and Conversations: Birth - Kindergarten

January 6, 2026 @ 1:00 pm - January 6, 2026 @ 2:00 pm

Coffee and Conversations: Elementary School

January 8, 2026 @ 12:00 pm - January 8, 2026 @ 1:00 pm



Youth Sponsorship Corner- Youth Sponsorship is available for your student. Youth Sponsorship is designed to assist students as they transition through various stages. Whether it's preparing to move, deployment, or grief etc. We have support for you through our A4L resiliency kits. Please reach out to your School Liaison at 240-814-7729 today if you would like one.

Postsecondary Opportunities:

MCPS is hosting its annual Summer RISE program. This is a wonderful opportunity for students and employers.

Help rising Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) high school juniors and seniors learn about your workplace and career field as part of the Summer RISE 2026 program.

Summer RISE is an MCPS initiative to help students learn about career opportunities. If you are interested in offering a student(s) an in-person, virtual, or a hybrid experience between June 22- July 24, 2026, sign up to become a host today! Visit the below website for more information.



Summer RISE
Connecting Students to Careers

Become a Summer RISE 2026 Host!

Host Registration: Now open until Friday, March 13, 2026

Program Dates: June 22-July 24

<https://sites.google.com/mcpsmd.net/summerriehostsite/promotion-materials>

Postsecondary Opportunities Continued:

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Attention: High-School Seniors Scholarship Opportunity

2026 Navy Family Scholarships by NOSCDC

Application deadline is March 1, 2026

Each year NOSCDC awards merit-based scholarships to those high-school seniors living in the National Capital Region that are:

- dependent high school graduating seniors of an active duty, activated reservists, retired from active duty or deceased USN service member

Application & Requirements- <https://noscdc.org/philanthropy>
To learn more about NOSCDC Scholarships (Email below)-
scholarships@noscdc.com

Upcoming Events:

GETTING READY FOR KINDERGARTEN 2026

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GETTING READY FOR KINDERGARTEN

Workshop for families with Pre-K children who will be going to Kindergarten in Fall 2026.

2 dates to choose from: Tuesday, January 13 and February 10

12-1 PM Virtual(TEAMS)

Join this informative workshop to learn:

- . What your child needs to know before starting kindergarten
- . Enrollment process
- . Pre-Kindergarten and available options

Sign up no later than 1 day prior. Open to families with Pre-K children who will be going to Kindergarten in Fall 2026.

<https://www.navymwrbethesda.com/>

Go to the above website & click on the calendar date you want!

Resource Opportunities:

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Do you need resources for your child with special needs?
Contact the School Liaison to get you access to Special Ed Connection-



Log in to Special Ed ConnectionSM
to experience everything this
online resource has to offer!

e-Connections | December 19, 2025

In honor of the holidays, there will be no e-Connections from December 22 to January 2. Our next edition of e-Connections will resume on Monday, January 5.



SAY THE RIGHT THING: Family input

Have your staff review a sample script for the portion of an IEP meeting that addresses family input.

Do you have a question about back- to- school resources, before & after care, magnet programs, homeschool opportunities or an additional school related question? If this is true- chat with your School Liaison!



**Feel free to give your School Liaison a
call
today at
301-295-7849**

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