



K-12 Education News

From the School Liaison

March 2026

Hello Families,

Below are some wonderful resources available to you:

Military ONESOURCE: Military ONESOURCE is a military community that provides military personnel and their families with valuable resources. The resources provided help families cope while the service member accomplishes the mission. The quality of life policies and programs offered to military members and their dependents world-wide (Military ONESOURCE, 2026).

Explore the website and the new podcast episode about the **Military Youth of the Year-**

<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/resources/podcasts/military-onesource/2025-26-military-youth-of-the-year/>



Support for Military Personnel & Their Families

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! **The Deadline is quickly approaching- March 13, 2026!** Visit the below website for more information.



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/summer-rise-hostsite/promotion-materials>

(Summer Rise, n.d.)

Postsecondary Opportunities Continued:



Apply for the 2026-27 National Youth Advisory Council. Online application opens March 2! Have your teens visit the following website:

<https://www.bgca.org/empowering-kids/national-youth-advisory-council/>

To learn about the Council's work, eligibility requirements, and to sign up to receive an alert when the application opens visit the above website today! (NYAC, n.d.)

Timeline for Selection Process

March 2	NYAC application opens
March 20	Deadline for YAC application submissions
April 3	Candidates selected for next phase
April 6	Next-phase candidates' staff advisor recommendations open
April 6	Next-phase candidates' video submission portal opens
April 10	Deadline for staff advisor recommendations
April 15	Deadline for next-phase candidates' video submissions
Week of April 27	Notifications sent to selected Council members
Week of June 22	Council members' virtual orientation meeting
Week of June 22	Staff advisors' virtual safety briefing meeting
July 8-9	In-person kick-off event in Atlanta, Georgia
August 20	First monthly virtual NYAC meeting

Upcoming Events:

Please come to the MWR Events where the School Liaison will have an Outreach Table!

Next
Opportunity-



**JELLYBEAN
JAMBOREE
BRUNCH**

**SATURDAY,
MARCH 28**

10 AM-NOON
WARRIOR FOOD COURT, BLDG. 62
OPEN TO ALL WITH BASE ACCESS

MWR COMMUNITY RECREATION
YH YOUTH PROGRAMS

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

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

Resource Opportunities:

(No Navy endorsement is implied)

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

Special Ed
Connection

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

e-Connections | February 26, 2026



What to document when you're short of speech therapists

CHART: Take a page from speech therapy lessons and encourage clear communication about how your school district is resolving staffing issues.

Implement quiet time with fidelity: UDL first, IEP or 504 plan when needed

Don't overlook the power of quiet time. Learn how to implement it in a universal design for learning while recognizing when IEP or Section 504 teams must take it a step further to formally include it in a student's IEP or 504 plan.

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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