

# Magnolia Matters

## "Extraordinary Begins With You"

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### Important Dates

- \* Thurs. August 29:  
Pre-Kindergarten Orientation  
(9:00 am–11:00 am)  
Kindergarten Orientation  
(1:00 pm–3:00 pm)
- \* Friday, August 30:  
Sixth Grade Orientation:  
Students and Parents Must Attend  
(9:00 am–11:00 am)  
Open House: Grades 1-5  
(1:00 pm–3:00 pm)
- \* Tuesday, September 3:  
First Day of School for All Students
- \* **Thursday, September 12:**  
**Back to School Night**  
**(6:30 pm–8:30 pm)**

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## Principal's Message: Dr. Phyllis L. Gillens

As summer vacation comes to an end, now would be the perfect opportunity to take a few minutes to focus on the 2019-2020 school year. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential. We know that a strong partnership will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. We want our students to believe all goals they set for themselves are achievable.

Magnolia will continue to build upon our framework for building a school program and culture cultivating positive and successful teaching, along with, motivating student success and parent involvement. We will continue to build upon existing programs, improving as we go by implementing new incentives to extend and refine the knowledge of our students.

In order to make a smooth transition from the summer vacation, you are being provided information regarding student orientations, Open House, school supply list, transportation, school calendar, and lunch prices. Please note

this information is posted on the school's website.

Parents are encouraged to volunteer at least one hour a week or participate in at least three of their child's activities during the year. Your children need you. Parents are welcomed to become active members of the Parent Teacher Advisory Council (PTAC). The focus of PTAC is to ensure parent/community engagement through the spirit of volunteering.

Please support Magnolia by getting involved in your child's education at every level. Your children are #Extraordinary and deserve the best!

## Stay Connected



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## **School Uniforms**

Magnolia Elementary School will follow the mandatory uniform policy established by the Prince George's County Public Schools for the current school year. Students are to be dressed appropriately in the school uniform each day and must adhere to this policy with no exceptions/substitutions. Students have several options in each category to make selections. Remember, shoes are included in the dress code

### **Girls: Pre-Kindergarten through Grade Five**

- Navy skirts w/yellow peter pan collared blouse (long or short sleeve) or yellow Polo style shirt (long or short sleeve)
- Navy Blue skort w/yellow Polo style shirts (long or short sleeve) or peter pan collared blouse (long or short sleeve)
- Navy blue uniform pants w/yellow Polo/golf style shirts (long or short sleeve)
- Navy blue or white tights, knee or ankle socks (no slouch socks)
- Navy blue cardigan sweaters (navy sweatshirts)

### **Girls: Grade Six Only**

- Khaki (tan) skort with yellow Polo style shirts (long or short sleeve) or Peter Pan-collared blouse (long or short sleeve) or peter pan-collared blouse.
- Solid khaki (tan) skirts or pants with yellow polo style shirts (long or short sleeve) or Peter Pan-collared blouse.
- White or nude tights, knee or ankle socks (no slouch socks)
- Navy blue cardigan sweaters (sweatshirts)

### **Boys: Pre-Kindergarten through Grade Five**

- Yellow Polo/golf style shirts (long or short sleeve). Shirts must not be oversized. White T-shirts or undershirts underneath (no logos, tucked in at all times, and not visible beyond the sleeve length of the shirt)
- Navy blue uniform pants
- Navy blue uniform shorts
- Navy blue cardigan or v-neck sweater (navy sweatshirts)
- Navy, black or white socks (no slouch socks)
- Plain belts – black, brown, or navy blue. Belts must be buckled at the waist at all times

### **Boys: Grade Six Only**

- Yellow Polo/golf style shirts (long or short sleeve). Shirts must not be oversized. White T-shirts or undershirts underneath (no logos, tucked in at all times, and not visible beyond the sleeve length of the shirt)
- Khaki (tan) uniform pants
- Khaki (tan) uniform shorts
- Navy blue cardigan or v-neck sweater (sweatshirts)

### **Shoes: All Grade Levels**

All students should wear solid black or brown soft-soled shoes or solid black sneakers. During the winter or cold weather students may wear solid black or brown soft-soled boots. Students must not wear colored shoes or shoes with stripes that are not within the uniform guidelines.

## **Bus Information**

Bus route schedules are being forwarded to households by the Department of Transportation. If you have any questions, please call (301) 952-6572 or visit their website at [www.pgcps.org](http://www.pgcps.org).



### **Pre-Kindergarten Orientation**

- Thursday, Aug. 29th @ 9:00 am

### **Kindergarten Orientation**

- Thursday, Aug. 29th @ 1:00 pm

### **Sixth Grade Orientation**

- Friday, Aug. 30th @ 9:00 am—11:30 am

### **Open House (Grades 1-5)**

- Friday, Aug. 31st @ 1:00 pm—3:00 pm

## **Student Arrival**

Students should arrive to school no earlier than 9:00 am. Students are tardy at 9:16 am. All students eat breakfast. Breakfast is 9:15 am—9:30 am. Due to safety concerns and morning arrival procedures, parents are only permitted to escort students to the front door of the main lobby entrance. Students are directed and/or escorted to their designated classrooms by staff and/or student safety patrols.

## **School Hours**

Start Time: 9:15 am

End Time: 3:25 pm

## **Meal Prices**

Breakfast: Free for all Students

Lunch (Full Price): \$2.75

Lunch (Reduced Price):  
No Cost for Students



## **Student Dismissal**

Student dismissal begins @ 3:25 pm. Students are dismissed in accordance to mode of transportation (e.g. van, bus, car, walkers). Early dismissal of students ends at 3:00 pm. During dismissal, parents/guardians must wait outside. If there is a change in the mode of transportation, a written letter of notification must be sent to school with the student. Only in the case of an extreme emergency will a request be granted via telephone. All requests must be made to the principal. Excessive late student pick-ups of car riders will result in the student taking their assigned mode of transportation home as a walker or bus rider.

## **Class Assignments**

Due to safety and privacy concerns for all students, class assignments are no longer posted on the front doors. Parents may access the Parent Portal to determine their child's class assignment. The first day of school, students will be directed to report to specific locations throughout the school and on school grounds according to grade level. Staff members will be available to assist students.

## **Emergency Forms-Student Registration Contact Information**

Student emergency forms are critical. The forms are utilized to contact parents and/or parent designees in the case of an emergency. Information provided on student emergency forms is used to verify persons approved by the parent/guardian to pick-up a student. Student emergency forms do not give parent designees authorization to visit classrooms or pick-up students without the parents consent. Please complete the student emergency form immediately upon receipt and return to the school.

Parent/guardian telephone numbers and addresses on the emergency form must be the same information submitted on the student registration form. Student registration form information is the official documentation for students. If addresses and telephone numbers have changed, parents are required to complete a new registration form to provide updated information.

# Magnolia Elementary School Supply List

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<u>Pre-Kindergarten</u>	<u>Kindergarten</u>	<u>First Grade</u>	<u>Second Grade</u>
1 backpack (Large enough for journals and folders) 1 box of tissues 1 box of gallon zip lock bags- (girls) 1 box of sandwich zip lock bags- (boys) 1 box of regular pencils – sharpened 3 primary (fat) pencils 1 box crayons (24 count) 2 erasers 6 glue sticks 1 bottle of white Elmer's Glue 1 pair of blunt scissors 1 bottle of liquid hand sanitizer 4 composition books 2 pocket folders 1 extra set of clothes to be kept in your child's book-bag Clorox or Lysol Wipes	1 backpack 2 boxes of tissues 1 box of Gallon Size Ziploc Bags (Girls) 1 box of Sandwich Size Ziploc Bags (Boys) 1 box of regular pencils 2 primary (fat) pencils 2 Pink Pearl Erasers 10 Glue Sticks 1 Bottle of Liquid Elmer's Glue 1 pair of Blunt Scissors 2 bottles of hand sanitizer 4 Composition Books 2 Pocket Folders 1 set of extra clothes (will be kept in classroom) Clorox or Lysol Wipes 4 packs of 24 count crayons	1 Backpack- no wheels 4 folders with brads 5 composition journals 1 pair of headphones in a zip-lock bag with name on it 8 Elmer's glue sticks 2 Elmer's liquid glue 4 boxes of 24 pack of Crayola crayons 12 Ticonderoga #2 pencils 1 standard size plastic school box 8 Dry Erase Expo markers (low odor) black 1 pair of scissors (Fiskar or Westcott) 1 large pink Pearl-eraser 1 box of Kleenex 1 bottle of hand 1 Box of one-gallon zip-lock bags- (girls only) 1 Box of one-quart ziplock bags- (boys only) **We recommend purchasing scissors, glue sticks, pencils, and crayons to keep at home. Your child will need them to complete homework and take-home projects.**	Backpack 1 Elmer's Glue 14 oz. 8 glue sticks 2 pencils (daily) 1 box of crayons (24 count) 3 pocket folders 1 Pencil Box or Pouch 1 pair of blunt scissors 1 box of tissues 1 box Ziploc bags (sandwich size) 4 marbled composition books Clorox or Lysol Wipes
<u>Third Grade</u>	<u>Fourth Grade</u>	<u>Fifth Grade</u>	<u>Sixth Grade</u>
Backpack 6 Composition Books (no spiral notebooks, please) 5 plastic pocket folders (Solid colors please) 2 packs of loose-leaf paper (wide-ruled) 1 inch three ring binder with pockets 3 pencils daily (#2) 1 pink pearl eraser 1 ruler 1 pack of black dry erase markers 1 pack of colored pencils 1 Elmer's liquid glue 1 pair of blunt scissors 2 florescent yellow highlighters 1 zipper supply pouch (no plastic supply boxes please) 2 boxes of tissue 2 bottles of hand sanitizer dry erase markers 1 box of Clorox or Lysol Wipes	Backpack 7 composition notebooks 5-7 individual folders 1 pack (12) of #2 pencils Erasers (individual or for pencils) 1 box of colored pencils 1 box of crayons Scissors Glue Sticks (3-5) Pencil case 1-3 packs of lined paper 1 empty shoe box Package highlighters (4-6 pack) Classroom Necessities: (resupplied each quarter as needed) Kleenex Wipes Hand Sanitizer <u>No binders needed.</u>	Backpack Notebook paper 2 pencils (daily) 2 ink pens daily (black or blue ink only) 1 3 ring binder 1 box of crayons (no more than 24 count) 1 school box or pouch 1 glue stick 1 highlighter 1 pair of blunt scissors 1 ruler cm/in 1 protractor 1 compass 1 bottle of hand sanitizer 1 box of tissues 1 Webster Dictionary and Thesaurus 1 Calculator 1 flash drive (4GB or 8GB) Clorox or Lysol Wipes	Backpack 3 ring binders/ Trapper Keeper Notebook paper Pack of dividers 3 spiral notebooks (70 sheets) 4 different colored pocket folders 1 pair of blunt scissors No. 2 pencils colored pencils crayons 4 composition notebooks 1 pocket dictionary (Webster, Random House, etc.) 1 pocket thesaurus 1 protractor 1 ruler (inches and centimeters) 1 compass 2 blue or black ink pens Reinforcers for loose leaf paper 1 bottle of hand sanitizer 1 box of tissues 1 Calculator 1 flash drive (4GB or 8GB) Clorox or Lysol Wipes



**FRIDAY, AUGUST 30TH**

**1:00 PM—3:00 PM**

# Open House

## Meet and Greet Teachers

Parents and students are welcome to come and meet their teacher(s), bring school supplies, and receive additional information to get a jumpstart on the First Day of School. All students must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult 18 years or older.

**Bring in items to donate to our school supply and backpack drive!!!**

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## Activities

- Classroom Visits
- Register for the Parent Portal
- Sign-Up to be a PTAC Volunteer
- Register for the Loads of Love Laundry Program
- Drawings and Giveaways for School Supplies
- School Uniform Sale (Gently Used)
- Spirit Gear Sale  
T-Shirts (\$15)  
Sweatshirt (\$20)

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