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**WE LOOK AHEAD**

**May 2021**

28 4th Quarter Progress Reports Released (On-line only)

31 Memorial Day Holiday – **Schools Closed**

**June 2021**

10 5th Grade Promotion – Virtual 12:30 p.m./Drive-by 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

14 **2 Hour Early Dismissal**

15 Last Day for Students – **2 Hour Early Dismissal**

**September 2021**

3 Student Orientation/Mock Virtual Class Day (all students)

8 First Day of School for Students

**PRINCIPAL’S CORNER**

**Stephen I. Green, Jr.**

**2021 Summer Learning Programs**

Dear Prince George’s County Public Schools Community,

As we approach the finish line for this school year and look ahead to the fall, I am pleased to announce Summer Learning Spark, our 2021 summer learning programs which will offer prekindergarten through 12th-grade students opportunities for acceleration, enrichment, intervention, credit recovery and original credit.

This year’s programs are available to all students at no cost and offer flexible scheduling including in-person, virtual or hybrid. Additionally, students will be permitted to keep their school-issued devices over summer break to support continued learning.

A full list of options is available [online](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA1MjUuNDEwNzQ3NDEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwOi8vd3d3LnBnY3BzLm9yZy9vZmZpY2VzL3N1bW1lci1wcm9ncmFtcyJ9.yQ1kbGlfaSdI5_U6oOpQRnDQ95yM4X6x6f02gyct8xU/s/68718308/br/106946422547-l). Please note that in addition to our systemic summer programs, several schools are offering programs to enrolled students.

I encourage your family to consider taking advantage of these summer offerings to prepare for a strong start to the 2021-22 school year.

Our team is looking forward to sharing more information and answering your questions during an upcoming virtual town hall. In the meantime, thank you for your continued partnership and support.

Sincerely,

Monica Goldson, Ed.D.
Chief Executive Officer

**Updated Information for Summer Literacy Initiative - PGCPS Reads (K-5)**

This initiative, called “PGCPS Reads,” which was initially opened to identified students who were combating learning loss, is now being extended to all K-5 students who wish to benefit from additional reading support this summer.  **Registration will only remain open until all seats are filled.** [**https://drive.google.com/file/d/16KbEsJJ8fkLfBxCegeBNDuCBJCwNFwsw/view?usp=sharing**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/16KbEsJJ8fkLfBxCegeBNDuCBJCwNFwsw/view?usp=sharing)For any questions or additional information, schools and parents should contact BookNook directly at tutoring@booknooklearning.com.

**Current 5th Grade Students – Registration for Middle School**

#  Dear Parents/Guardians,

Administrative Procedure 5111, Registration and Withdrawal of Students, requires updated proof of residence when your child enters a different school for any reason. The residency requirement is established by State law (COMAR) and further clarified by local Board of Education policy and administrative procedures.

An updated Student Registration and proof of residence is required to be completed online. Please visit [https://pgcpsmdc.scriborder.com/](https://pgcpsmdc.scriborder.com/%20) select Transitional Enrollment and upload updated proof of residence no later than **June 15, 2021.**

Proof of residence may be established by any of the following documents: settlement papers, lease/rental agreement, deed of property, mortgage statement, or a current property tax bill.  These documents must be originals. Settlement papers, lease agreement, and rental agreements must be signed and dated by all parties. Additional items, including 2 recent pieces of mail, may be required if there are concerns regarding the proof of residence, if the original term of the lease has expired, or if the ownership information is more than one year old. The documents provided must be originals, not copies. These documents must be delivered by US Postal mail (within 30 days) and may include the following: non-cell phone bill, utility bill, credit card statement, bank statement, mail from government agencies (excluding PGCPS) for official correspondence, hospital bill, W2 forms or auto, home, or health insurance policy. Copies of on-line documents are not acceptable as proof of residence with the exception of an electronic commercial lease accompanied by an original letter from the property manager. Private party leases must be notarized by the landlord or a notarized letter from the landlord must be provided with the original lease.

If a family is living with a relative or friend, a new updated notarized Prince George’s County Public Schools Shared Housing Affidavit, signed by both parties, may be used as proof of residence with the following conditions: (1) All parties must sign the notarized statement; (2) The relative or friend, with whom the parent(s)/guardian(s) reside, must show their proof of residence as indicated above; (3) Additional proof of residence (more than one item) is required of the parent/guardian. Items required to establish proof of residence include, non-cell phone bill, utility bill, credit card statement, bank statement, mail from government agencies (excluding PGCPS) for official correspondence, hospital bill, W2 forms or auto, home, or health insurance policy. Prince George’s County Public Schools reserves the right to monitor this type of proof periodically or as needed (as often as every 30 days).

If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Worley at 301-599-2442 or tworley@pgcps.org**.**

**Families Registered on a Shared Housing Affidavit**

If your child is currently enrolled at Mattaponi Elementary on a Shared Housing Affidavit, per PGCPS enrollment policy, the Shared Housing Affidavit must be completed annually. If you have not submitted your Shared Housing Affidavit for the 2020/2021 school year, it is required before **June 1, 2021**.

In order to complete this process, you must do the following:

* Print the Shared Housing Affidavit at <https://www.pgcps.org/globalassets/offices/pupil-accounting/docs---pupil-accounting/shared-housing-affidavit.pdf> and complete and have notarized.
* Visit <https://pgcpsmdc.scriborder.com/family> and sign in to complete your child’s information and upload the Shared Housing Affidavit, the homeowner’s proof of residence (current monthly mortgage statement or current property tax bill) and your two pieces of current business mail.

Failure to provide an updated Shared Housing Affidavit, homeowner’s proof of residence and current business mail, for the 2020/2021 school year, will result in a home visit/investigation and/or your child being withdrawn from Mattaponi Elementary.

Please note that the requested documents are for the 2020/2021 school year. As long as you stay at your current address and in a shared housing situation, this process will need to be completed again after July 1, 2021 for the 2021/2022 school year before the first day of school. If not received, your child will be withdrawn on September 7, 2021 and you will have to re-register before he/she can attend school.

If you have any questions please contact our office at 301-599-2442.

**PGCPS Announcement - Verizon Hotspot Recall Update**

Due to the nationwide safety recall of Verizon Ellipsis Jetpack mobile hotspot devices, Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) will be collecting all Verizon hotspots in use for distance learning. All Verizon hotspots will be disconnected Wednesday, June 16th. New hotspots will be issued again at the start of next school year for families in need.

Families should return hotspots, including the battery and charger, to their schools by **Tuesday, June 15**th. If you need to continue using the device for the remainder of the school year, please follow [instructions](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA1MTguNDA2NzIwMzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2Nwcy5vcmcvaG90c3BvdHMifQ.jDkYEy-qzk14Ybu9VLYie6NZJIJ7Niz6R_U6i4Q1N_0/s/68718308/br/106561397219-l) from Verizon about software updates. Instructions can be found on the PGCPS website.

Starting Tuesday, June 1st, students who need a hotspot for summer school may exchange their device at [PGCPS Parent Centers](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA1MTguNDA2NzIwMzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2Nwcy5vcmcvcmVvcGVuLXBnY3BzL2Rpc3RhbmNlLWxlYXJuaW5nL3BhcmVudC1jZW50ZXJzIn0.WKk7c72C9r8hIKeFiq7k2utuy2UT804EwNkeEO5bXjc/s/68718308/br/106561397219-l) or [Technology Distribution Centers](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDQsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA1MTguNDA2NzIwMzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2Nwcy5vcmcvb2ZmaWNlcy9pbmZvcm1hdGlvbi10ZWNobm9sb2d5L2luZm9ybWF0aW9uLXRlY2hub2xvZ3ktc3VwcG9ydC90ZWNobm9sb2d5LWRpc3RyaWJ1dGlvbi1jZW50ZXJzIn0.vQ2LorDebvzswaxqJa4B8gyUfmxPfBQpcrkrb4Zt3N8/s/68718308/br/106561397219-l) by appointment or walk-in. Exchanges cannot be made at schools.

For more information, please visit [www.pgcps.org/hotspots](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDUsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA1MTguNDA2NzIwMzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwOi8vd3d3LnBnY3BzLm9yZy9ob3RzcG90cyJ9.ETozp3nvjsPWZBOgu9jKiwykh-IXjGlgQu2gKZFS1JA/s/68718308/br/106561397219-l). Thank you for your patience and understanding.

**2021-2022 School Calendar Approved**

The Prince George’s County Board of Education approved the 2021-2022 School Calendar during the April 29 Board meeting. The first day of school for students will be September 8, 2021. View the calendar [online](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTksInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA0MzAuMzk3NTQzNDEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2Nwcy5vcmcvYWJvdXQtcGdjcHMvc2Nob29sLWNhbGVuZGFyLzIwMjEtMjAyMi1zY2hvb2wteWVhci1jYWxlbmRhci1hcy1hLWdyaWQifQ.C54BiIPUlW8GaG9Y4mcc2mPe931skYrc_UY6cEGV49U/s/68718308/br/105688372586-l) or [download a printable calendar](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMjAsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA0MzAuMzk3NTQzNDEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2Nwcy5vcmcvZ2xvYmFsYXNzZXRzL2ZlYXR1cmVkLXBhZ2VzL2Fib3V0LXBnY3BzL2RvY3MtLS1hYm91dC1wZ2Nwcy8yMDIxLTIwMjItc2Nob29sLXllYXItY2FsZW5kYXIucGRmIn0.2-ggJamahZSisOe_R9uu1ia5unI589xxwPeFybjeQMk/s/68718308/br/105688372586-l). For more information on the calendar development process, [visit the website](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMjEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA0MzAuMzk3NTQzNDEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5wZ2Nwcy5vcmcvc2Nob29sLWNhbGVuZGFyLXByb2Nlc3MifQ.mUUmB1MzKRKGkRGL5YnikheWQoCvi8eOsb7d-CBhxHM/s/68718308/br/105688372586-l).

**Talented and Gifted Lottery is Open**

The Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) Talented and Gifted (TAG) Lottery for the 2021-22 school year opened on April 16th for students in second through eighth grades who are currently TAG- identified or who are going through the identification process. **The lottery closes on Friday, May 28th.**

Please visit [www.pgcps.org/lottery/](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA0MTUuMzg4NDY5MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwOi8vd3d3LnBnY3BzLm9yZy9sb3R0ZXJ5LyJ9.R8sIWFZt8LjpiguOdJ4yVd1L1aT9RoxxoqF52il-wsM/s/68718308/br/102271994042-l) for information about the program, schools and identification process. To submit an online application, the student must:

* Meet PGCPS TAG identification guidelines to be eligible for placement.
* Have a valid Prince George's county Public School student ID number prior to May 26, 2021
* **C**reate a family dashboard account and submit your application via [PGCPS Registration and Specialty Program Lottery Application (scriborder.com)](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA0MTUuMzg4NDY5MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3BnY3BzbWRjLnNjcmlib3JkZXIuY29tLyJ9.3WqJ13FUFMg3AcMYGBMAl1E4KDNnpq8lpDVDRzj9IC4/s/68718308/br/102271994042-l)

**Kindergarteners and First Grade Openings in Immersion Programs (in-boundary applicants only)**

Also opened April 16th, PGCPS will accept late lottery applications to fill **kindergarten seats** in immersion programs for the 2021-22 school year. Applicants must be age 5 by September 1 and live within the boundary of the school they are applying for (see below):

* Maya Angelou French Immersion
* Cesar Chavez Dual Immersion (Spanish speakers only)
* Overlook Spanish Immersion
* Phyllis E. Williams Spanish Immersion

Additionally, as a one time approval, a limited number of **first grade seats** will be available for students who will be 6 by September 1 and live within the boundary of the school they are applying for (see below):

* Maya Angelou French Immersion
* Dora Kennedy French Immersion

Please visit [www.pgcps.org/lottery/](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDQsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA0MTUuMzg4NDY5MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwOi8vd3d3LnBnY3BzLm9yZy9sb3R0ZXJ5LyJ9.v2gcEeWkLIB9w_KB1CwcwWZHiiVZrWuAOx7t9Hz6cd8/s/68718308/br/102271994042-l) for information about the schools and the Immersion Programs. To submit an application, complete [this online form](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDUsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA0MTUuMzg4NDY5MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL2Zvcm1zLmdsZS9VVER4Y3F3UjQyWjNhc2Y1NyJ9.3pX7QD-bYyAf7rTQIDI-lMnCT3ygyp1GqbwT0S9AbL8/s/68718308/br/102271994042-l). Placement offers will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

**2021-2022 PreK and Kindergarten Registration**

PreK and kindergarten registration for the 2021/2022 school year is now open. Please visit <https://pgcpsmdc.scriborder.com/> to sign in, complete registration and upload the required documents.

**Last Day of School for Students**

This school year, Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) used no inclement weather days and had one two-hour early dismissal day (Monday, February 1). The last day of school for students now will be Tuesday, June 15, with a two-hour early dismissal. Monday, June 14, will also have a two-hour early dismissal. For more information, visit [www.pgcps.org/school-calendar-process](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA0MTUuMzg4NzI1NDEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwOi8vd3d3LnBnY3BzLm9yZy9zY2hvb2wtY2FsZW5kYXItcHJvY2VzcyJ9.SaEAlJiiSCXt6D_F5C5MtfEjZfa-fRNetziJBrZ8cGU/s/68718308/br/102356229841-l).