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April 6, 2025

Good evening, Burtonsville Families!

Mark your calendars:

4/8-9 - MCAP Grade 5 (ELA)

4/10 - Grade 3 Music Concert at 6:30

4/11 - Future Kindergarten Open House

4/14-21 - Spring Break

4/22 - MD School Survey - Grade 5

4/23 - MCAP, Grades 3 & 4 (ELA)

4/24 - Take Your Child to Work Day

4/25 - MCAP, Grades 3 & 4 (ELA)

 **MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (MCAP)**  - Students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will take the MCAP assessment for **English/Language Arts and Mathematics** April 8 - May 16 (see dates below.) Practice tests are available [here](#) for students to familiarize themselves with the items and formats used for the different MCAP assessments. Read [here](#) for testing resources and to learn more information on MCAP.

English/Language Arts:

Grade 5 - April 8 and 9, May 12 and 13

Grades 3 & 4 - April 23, 25, 30, May 2

Mathematics:

Grade 5 - May 14 and 16

Grades 3 & 4 - May 5 and 7

How to help your child/Reminders:

- Get a good night's rest the night before
- Eat a healthy breakfast at home or plan to eat the school-provided breakfast
- Be on time on the day of testing - Students who arrive at school late will not be allowed into the classroom during a testing session and will be required to test on a make-up day.
- **NO CELL PHONES/WATCHES/Bluetooth Headphones** - Personal mobile devices, such as cell phones/watches/tablets or Bluetooth-enabled headphones are NOT permitted during the administration of the assessment is a violation of test security and is strictly prohibited.

 **Scholastic Book Fair** - The book fair is coming to Burtonsville in April. It will be open from April 8th to April 10th from 9:30 - 4:00. For more information, visit our [Book Fair website](#). We need volunteers to help with the book fair. If you can volunteer please visit this link: [signup-burtonsville](#).

 **Music Concerts at BES - ALL Purpose Room (APR) at 6:30 PM.**

- Grade 3 students - Thursday, April 10th
- Grade 1 students - Tuesday, April 29th

 **Kindergarten Enrollment** - If you have a child who will be five by September 1, 2025, the 2025-2026 school year, [Kindergarten registration](#) is open online through the ParentVUE portal. Burtonsville ES will host a **Future Kindergartener Playdate** from **10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on April 11 and May 1, 2025**. See our [event flyer](#) for details.

 **Maryland School Survey** - State law requires that all public schools in Maryland survey students about school climate. The purpose of the survey is to gain valuable information about the quality and character of each school's learning environment so that schools can promote a climate that supports student learning. **Burtonsville ES students in grade 5 will take part in the survey, on April 22nd**. Read the details [here](#).

A Message from our PTA...

★ A huge **thank you** to all the families for participating in our Beautification Day. We had an amazing time and hope you did too.

★ **Burtonsville Yearbook 2024-2025 Now Available!** Last chance to secure your yearbook! Place your order, create your ads, and add your photos by Friday, April 11th.

Don't miss out on preserving this year's memories! Order your Burtonsville Yearbook online today at burtonsvillepta.org/store.

Do you have a 5th grader you'd like to celebrate? Commemorate their final year of elementary school by purchasing a special ad in the yearbook!

Love Lines are a wonderful way to share a heartfelt message for students of all grade levels. Add a Love Line to the yearbook for just \$5!

Be sure to submit your yearbook photos [here](#).

MCPS News...

Montgomery County Schools - [Things to Know](#)

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD! YOUR OPINION MATTERS! - Parents or guardians of children receiving **special education and related services** were mailed the Maryland Special

Education Parent Involvement Survey from the Maryland State Department of Education, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services in February 2025.

Parents are asked to **complete the survey** and return it in the postage-paid envelope by **May 30, 2025**. The survey may also be completed **online**. Please look for details in your survey packet. Your feedback will help guide efforts to improve special education and related services in your local school system.

Your voice can make a real difference for your child and many other children across the state of Maryland. To learn more, please visit <https://www.mdparentsurvey.com>.

Transportation: [MCPS Department of Transportation](#) | West Farm Upper Bus Depot: 240-740-7361 | Transportation Updates: [Route Status](#) | BES Bus Routes: [Arrival](#) | [Departure](#)

Food & Nutrition: - School menus are available on **MealViewer** - [here](#).

Yours In Service,

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