

North Bethesda Middle School
May 25, 2025
News and Notes

Monday, May 26, 2025	No School Memorial Day Holiday
Tuesday, May 27, 2025	Regular Schedule Phoenix Time Pd. 7 Student Climate Survey
Wednesday, May 28, 2025	Regular Schedule Phoenix Time Pd. 1
Thursday, May 29, 2025	Regular Schedule Phoenix Time Pd. 2
Friday, May 30, 2025	Regular Schedule - Phoenix Time Pd. 3 Middle School Preview for incoming 6th grade students PTSA Sponsored 8th Grade Celebration 6:30 - 9:00
Upcoming Events	June 2, 2025 Spring Choral and Instrumental Music Concerts

Dear North Bethesda Families:

This was an exciting week for the NBMS community as your new principal, Ms. Shanay Snead, was appointed unanimously as the next principal of NBMS at the board meeting yesterday. Her first official day is July 1, 2025. I am confident that she will be a great leader for our school community. If you didn't get a chance to read her introductory letter, you can find it linked [here](#).

In this week's *News and Notes*, you'll find details on the following topics:

- Important Information about 8th Grade End-of-Year Activities as well as purchasing information for the 8th grade panoramic photo
- Montgomery County Public Schools Family Climate Survey
- Yearbook Ordering Information
- Other Helpful Information

We appreciate your continued support and engagement!

2024-2025 SCHOOL HOURS: 8:15 – 3:00 p.m.

[Bell Schedules 2024-2025](#)
[MCPS CALENDAR](#)

To report Bullying and Harassment, please use this [Bullying and Harassment Form](#)
[Bus Route Links](#) – scroll down to North Bethesda Middle School for the most up to date bus routes. If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Transportation Bethesda Bus Depot at 240-740-6580.

Reminder - there are no after school activity buses for the rest of the year!

Administrators

Grade 6 Daniel_E_Werbeck@mcpsmd.org

Grade 7 Katherine_B_Rudd@mcpsmd.org

Grade 8 tirza_carmichaelcollins@mcpsmd.org

Principal Annemarie_e_smith@mcpsmd.org

MCPS FAMILY CLIMATE SURVEY

Your Voice Matters: Share Your Experience!

We hope you are doing well! At NBMS, we value our partnership with families and know that your voice plays a vital role in helping us create the best possible learning environment for all students.

We invite you to share your feedback by participating in the **Family Survey**. This short survey gives you the opportunity to share your experiences and opinions about our school and the broader school district. Your honest input will help us understand what's working well and where we can improve.

The survey is easy to complete, takes only a few minutes, and your responses are completely confidential. The results will be used to guide our efforts in strengthening programs, services, and support for students and families.

The survey is open from May 12, 2025, through June 9, 2025.

To participate, simply click the link below:

<https://parentsurvey.mcpsmd.org/>

We deeply appreciate your time and commitment to our school community. Your feedback makes a difference!

YEARBOOKS FOR SALE!

Yearbooks are selling out! If you would like to order a yearbook this year, please use this link to place your order <https://yearbookforever.com/>

Enter "North Bethesda Middle School" in the search bar and it will take you to the order page. Yearbooks cost \$40 and orders will only be done online this year. There are a LIMITED AMOUNT of yearbooks. Please get your order ASAP to reserve your copy!

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Lui at Jemi_J_Lui@mcpsmd.org.

****8th GRADE INFORMATION - End of Year Activities****

8th Grade SOCIAL

The 8th Grade Social celebrating the end of their middle school years is this Friday from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. The RSVPs closed yesterday, May 24, 2025. Students who did not RSVP will not be able to attend.

8th Grade Panoramic Picture IS ON LINE

Your School's Eighth Grade Panoramic photo is now online.

Any student who has not had a chance to order a Panoramic photo, it's not too late! All orders using the link below will direct ship to a home address entered at checkout.

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Please use your student ID as your online code

For questions or about ordering, please contact Victor O'Neill Studio:
underclass@vosphoto.com

<https://vando.imagequix.com/s1484639921>

8th Grade End of Year Field Trip to Hershey Park

The date for this field trip is Thursday, June 12, 2025 8:15 a.m. to 7:45 p.m. [Link to field trip form.](#) Please review as there is important information regarding logistics and behavioral expectations before and during the trip.

8th Grade Staff- Student Promotion Ceremony

Due to our large student population and space constraints at North Bethesda Middle School, our tradition involves hosting a staff-student only promotion celebration. This event is recorded and shared with families for their convenience. The celebration includes speeches from both students and staff, recognition of academic and extracurricular achievements, special awards, musical performances, student slides, and messages from teachers. This year, the celebration is scheduled for **Friday, June 13, 2025, from 9:00 - 10:30** due to the MCPS revised schedule of this date being an early release.

HELPFUL RESOURCES and Information

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance secretary is Maria Stefanias. The best way to reach her for questions or updates about attendance is to send her an email at Maria_Stefanias@mcpsmd.org

TO REPORT AN ABSENCE Call the Attendance Line at 240-740-2101 by 9 a.m. or send an excuse note by email.

Upon return to school, send a note to the main office: include the student's full name, grade, dates, and reason for absence. You can use this [Attendance Note](#) template for Absences, Tardies, or Early Dismissals. MCPS requires a doctor's note for absences of 5 days or more.

For an absence of 3 days or longer, homework may be requested by calling the Counseling Office at 240-740-2110.

Teachers enter attendance for each period into Synergy, the attendance system. All class absences generate an automated call/email to parents. If you believe there is an error, please contact the teacher and the attendance office.

School Meal Viewer

Here is the NBMS MealViewer [link](#).

<https://schools.mealviewer.com/school/NorthBethesdaMS>

Here is a [link](#) to the MCPS Division of Food and Nutritional Services where you can find more information in different languages.

STUDENT HANDBOOKS

Updated online versions of A Student's Guide to Rights and Responsibilities, the Student Code of Conduct in MCPS, Guidelines for Respecting Religious Diversity and Guidelines for Student Gender Identity are available on the [MCPS website](#).

STUDENT SERVICE LEARNING (SSL)

[NBMS Student Service Learning \(SSL\) Website](#)

Resources: [SSL Information and FAQ flyer](#); hard copies are available in the Counseling Office. For SSL forms, guidelines, resources, and much more click on the MCPS SSL Hub => <https://bit.ly/SSLHubMCPS>

All students should check their SSL hours quarterly, step-by-step directions for checking SSL hours => <https://bit.ly/SSLonVUE>

Students, please check your StudentID@mcpsmd.net Gmail account daily for SSL emails (and of course other important emails)

Make sure to join the NBMS SSL MyMCPS Classroom.

To join, click on the NBMS SSL MyMCPS Classroom link =>

<https://mcpsmd.instructure.com/enroll/FC6DG7>. Please share this link with students, family, and friends.

If you have any questions, after reviewing the SSL information above, please send an email to Carla.A.Jurewicz@mcpsmd.net. Thank you!

Sincerely,

AnneMarie K. Smith, Ed.D.

Principal