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Board of Education Considers 2018–2019 Academic Calendar Proposals

The Howard County Board of Education is considering [two proposals](#) for the 2018–19 school year. The Academic Planning Committee recommendations are the foundation of each proposal, with additional recommendations from the interim superintendent. Members of the community may submit written testimony for the December 7 [public hearing](#).



American Education Week

American Education Week, November 13–17, is an opportunity to celebrate public education and honor individuals making a difference in ensuring that every child receives a quality education. It is a great time to visit your child's school and see staff and students in action. Please check your school newsletter for specifics.



Bright Minds Foundation Grant Awards Support Innovative Classroom Projects

Fourteen teachers and staff [were recognized](#) last week for receiving funding for innovative instructional projects to enhance students' learning experiences.



StoryStrong HCPSS

Explore [StoryStrong](#) narratives by staff and students that address common themes of diversity of ideas, backgrounds and experiences, and of purpose and drive.



Staff Focus: Lora Koehler

Hammond Middle School Media Specialist Lora Koehler is most driven by encouraging collaboration and providing access. Learn more about Lora in the latest [Staff Focus](#).

Upcoming Events

Howard County Association of Student Councils Meeting

Wednesday, November 8, 7–8:30 p.m., [Homewood Center](#)

All HCPSS middle and high school students are invited to the [November general meeting](#) of the Howard County Association of Student Councils. HCASC unites Howard County middle and high school students seeking to teach leadership, represent students and impact the community.

Career Academies Information Session

Thursday, November 9, 7–9 p.m., [Applications and Research Laboratory](#)

[Learn how](#) Career and Technology Education Career Academies provide high school students with opportunities to earn college credit, scholarships and industry certifications; participate in worksite and mentorship experiences; and become creative problem solvers by participating in hands-on project-based learning.

IEPs: The Basics and Beyond

Thursday, November 9, 7–9 p.m., [Harper's Choice Middle School](#) Art Room; or Friday, November 10, 10 a.m.–Noon, [Ascend One Building](#), Patuxent Room

HCPSS parents are invited to this [free workshop](#) to learn about and share ways for families to be active members of the IEP team and participate meaningfully in the process.

Community Advisory Council Meeting

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JumpStart Program Expands Early College Credit Options for HCPSS Student

HCPSS has announced an innovative program that enables students to earn up to 60 college credits while in high school. Offered in partnership with Howard Community College, [JumpStart](#) gives students a valuable head start in earning a college degree or preparing for a career at a greatly reduced cost. Applications are now open through December 22. Interested students and parents are encouraged to visit www.hcpss.org/jumpstart and attend [information session](#).





New School Attendance Area Locator Now Available

A new School Locator for 2018–2019 school assignments is now [available online](#). Users can enter their home address to identify their polygon area and locate school assignments for the 2018–2019 school year.



HCPSS Seeks Citizen Members for Academic Calendar Planning Committee

Citizens are invited to [take an active role](#) in developing the 2019–2020 Academic Calendar as members of the Calendar Planning Committee. The deadline for submissions is Friday, December 15.



Staff Focus: Raymona Reid

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Hammond High School Health and Physical Education Teacher Raymona Reid motivates students in her classes while looking out for their total well being. Learn more about Raymona the latest [Staff Focus](#).



Canvas Parent App

The Canvas Parent app lets parents and guardians monitor their middle or high school child's progress on the go. Parents can check grades, review assignments and events, view course announcements, see a weekly calendar, and set student activity alerts. [Download and log in today](#).

Upcoming Events

Apply for Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps

| Continuing through Friday, January 12

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Town Hall with the Interim Superintendent

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| Wednesday, November 29, 7–8:30 p.m., [Atholton High School](#)

Dr. Martirano will [answer questions](#) from the Howard County community on any topics pertain to public education and the Howard County Public School System. Registration is not require

Community Forums on the Superintendent Search Process

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G/T Orchestra and Sinfonia Winter Concerts

| Saturday, December 2, 3 p.m.: Elementary and Middle School Sinfonia, 7 p.m.: Elementary and Middle School Orchestra, [Long Reach High School](#)

| Sunday, December 3, 2 p.m.: High School Orchestra, [Jim Rouse Theatre](#)

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Public Hearings: Academic Calendar, Instructional Materials, High School Sites

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Happy Thanksgiving

This Thanksgiving season, I want to express my sincere gratitude to our parents, staff and community members who collaborate together for the benefit of our students and schools. I am humbled by the kindness that you all have shown in welcoming me back into the HCPSS family, and honored to be a part of a system where staff and community members are jointly committed to making a difference in children's lives.

Thank you for dedicating your energy, compassion, talent and resources throughout the year to support each of the children in our care. I offer you my best wishes for a happy and healthy Thanksgiving holiday.

Michael J. Martirano
Interim Superintendent





Board Takes Action on Attendance Area Adjustments

The Board of Education [revised](#) elementary and middle school attendance areas for the 2018–2019 school year. No high school redistricting will take place that year.



*Jump*Start



JumpStart Information Sessions

Parents and students are invited to [learn more about JumpStart](#), the expanded early college and dual-enrollment program. The sessions will take place at various locations November 27 through December 7.





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Staff Focus: Sung Kim

Dunloggin and Ellicott Mills middle schools International Achievement Liaison Sung Kim approaches his art and helping students and families acclimate to a new environment with care and respect. Learn more in the latest [Staff Focus](#).

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**Responses collected through Monday, November 27,
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Staff Focus: Elizabeth Pak

For violinist [Elizabeth Pak](#), teaching young students to blossom as musicians is a dream come true. Pak leads the orchestras and string ensembles at Glenwood Middle School and Triadelphia Ridge Elementary School, where she encourages her students to discover the fun in music, express themselves, relieve stress and be the best musicians they can be.

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Piano Sale

Friday, November 17 or Saturday, November 18, by appointment only, [Maryland Piano](#)

HCPSS families and staff are [invited to attend](#) a special appointment-only opportunity to purchase pianos, previously used by HCPSS schools, at a fraction of their original price. To schedule an appointment, contact Maryland Piano at 410-804-5284 or marylandpiano@gmail.com.

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