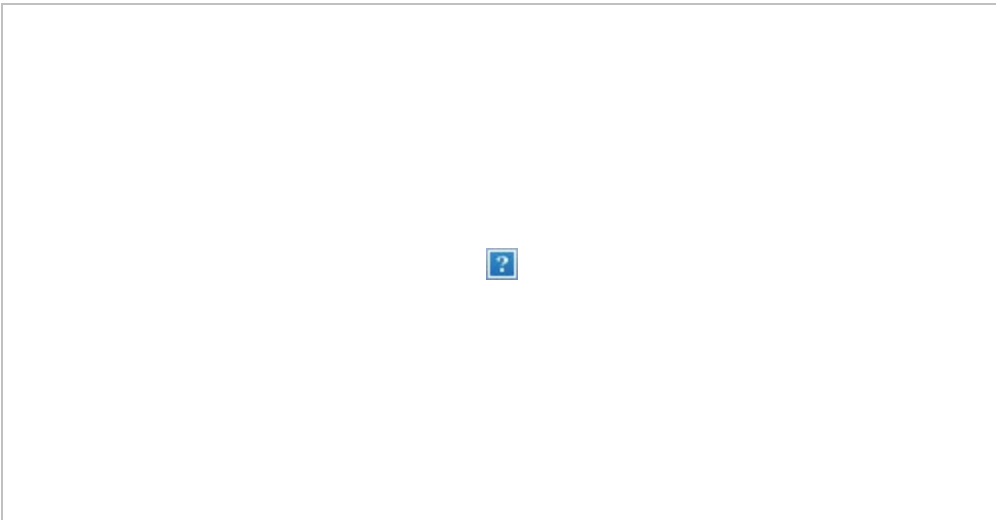
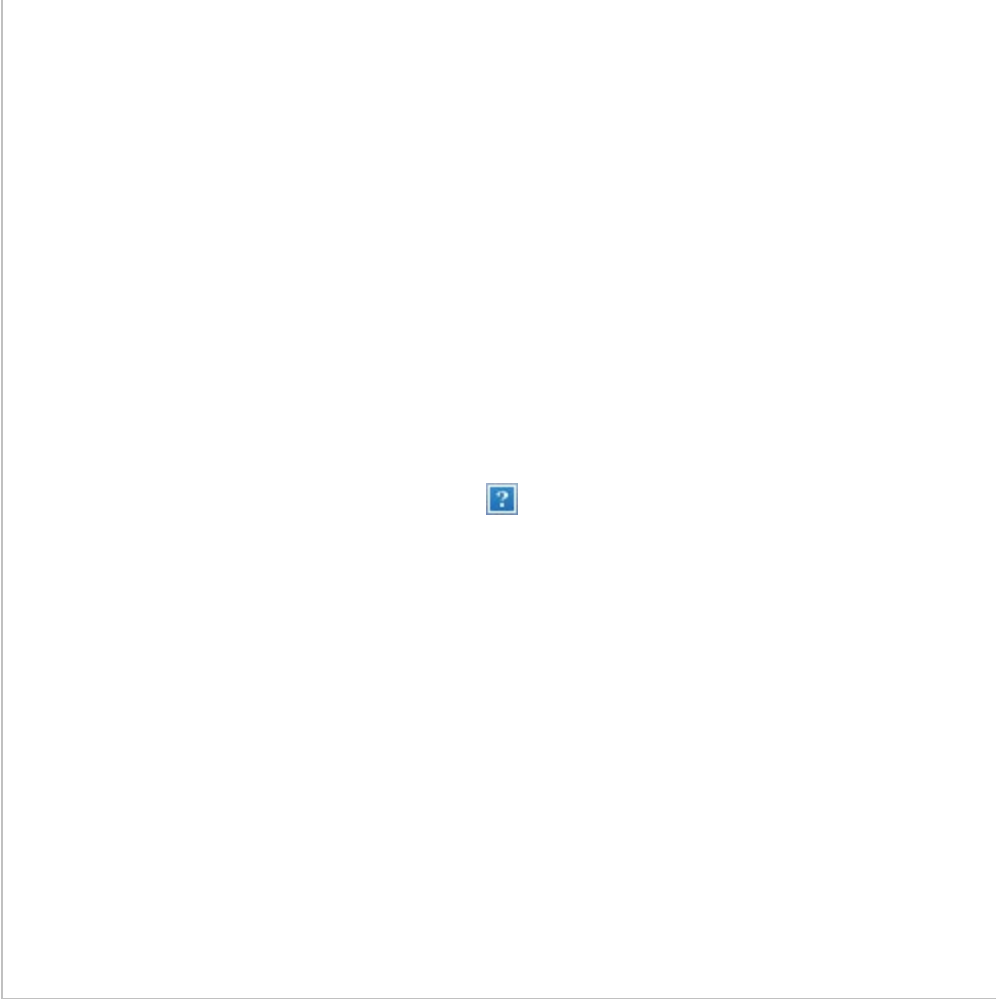


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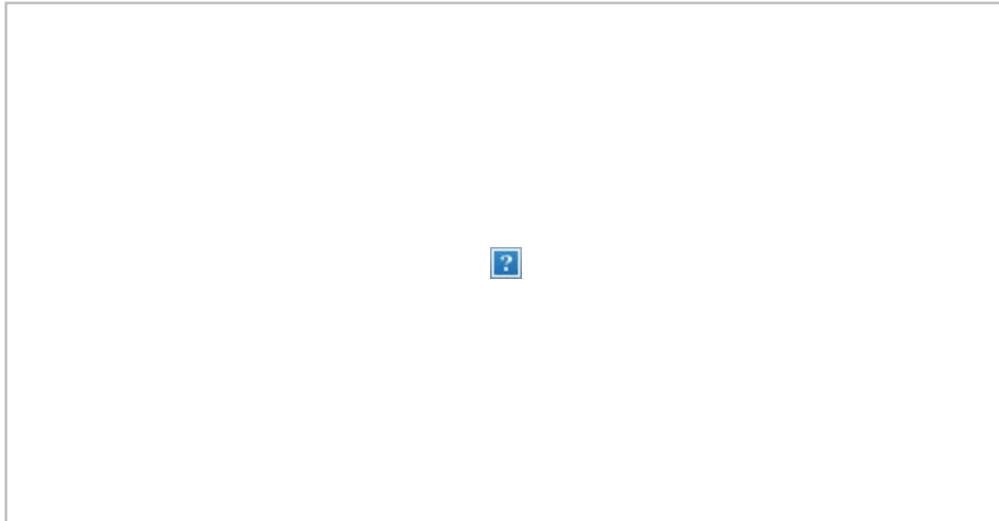
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## **Dr. Hickey Gives Acting Superintendent Vote of Confidence**

Former HCPSS Superintendent Dr. Michael Hickey visited the school system's Central Office on May 8 to congratulate new Acting Superintendent Dr. Michael J. Martirano.

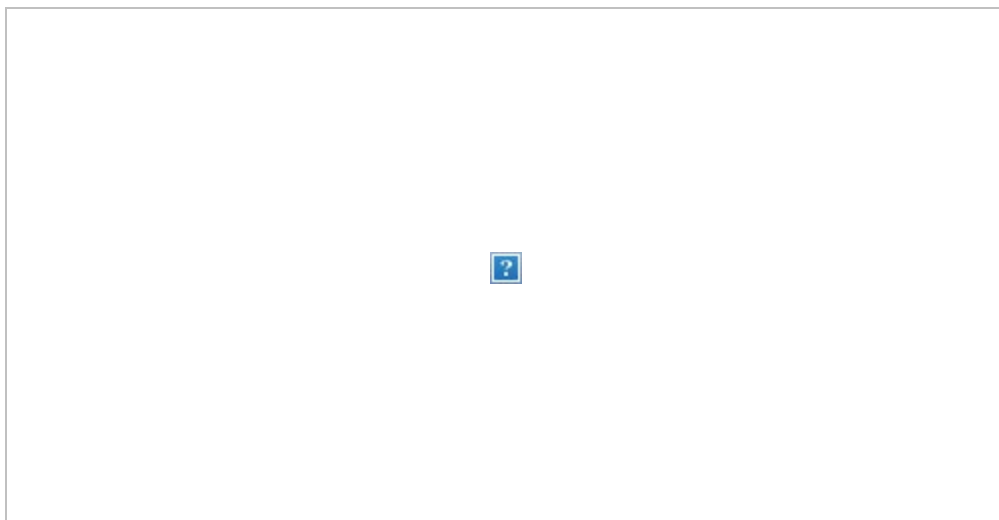
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## **HCPSS and County Executive Applaud Restoration of State School Construction Funds**

The Maryland Board of Public Works [voted to restore](#) \$9.6 million in school construction funding to HCPSS, citing satisfaction with the additional information provided by the school system regarding its handling of mold in school buildings.

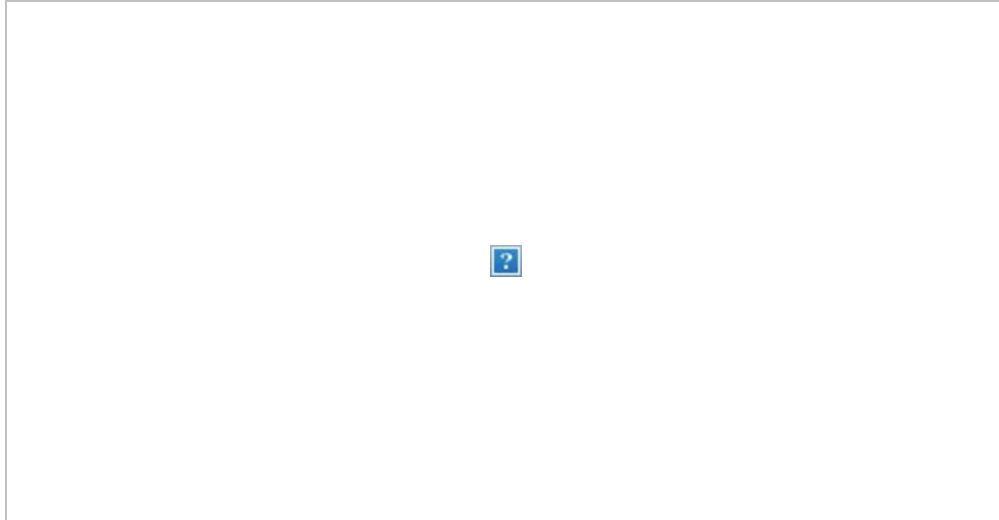
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## HCPSS Congratulates Eight National Board Certified Teachers

At the May 4 Board of Education meeting, HCPSS [recognized](#) eight teachers who achieved National Board Certification. Howard County has one of the highest numbers of National Board Certified Teachers among Maryland districts, with a total of 152 teachers who have achieved national certification.

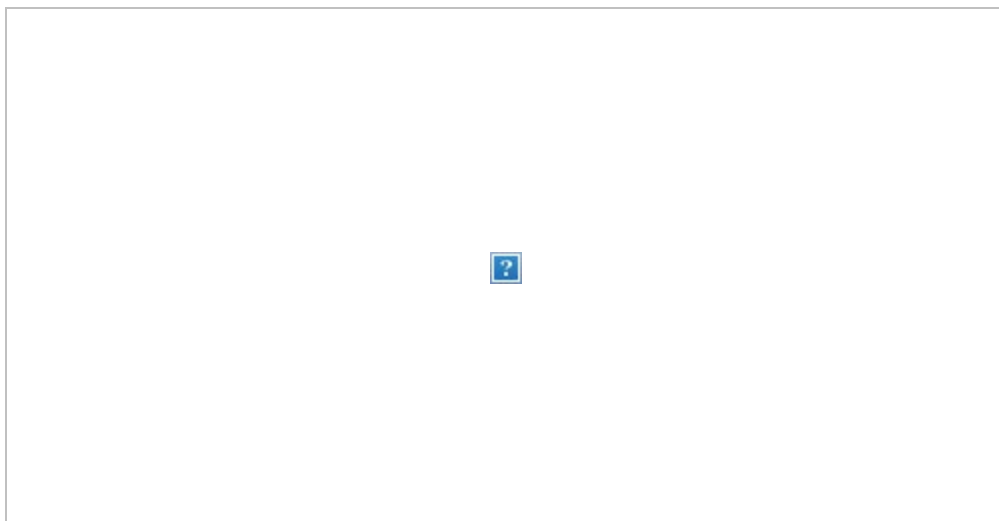
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## Senior Send-Off

Follow HCPSS on [Instagram](#) as the school system highlights some soon-to-be graduates. Participating seniors will be featured with the hashtag [#HoCoSeniorSendOff](#).

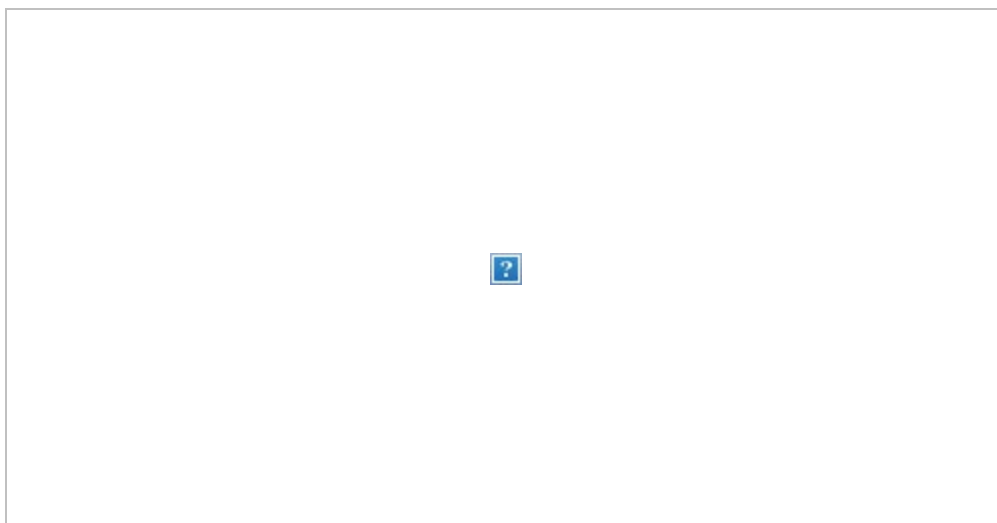
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## HCPSS Students Present Statewide Watershed Report Card

Middle and high school students from nine Maryland counties, including Howard County, [presented](#) a statewide watershed report card to state decision makers and representatives from environmental organizations at the Maryland Watershed Summit.

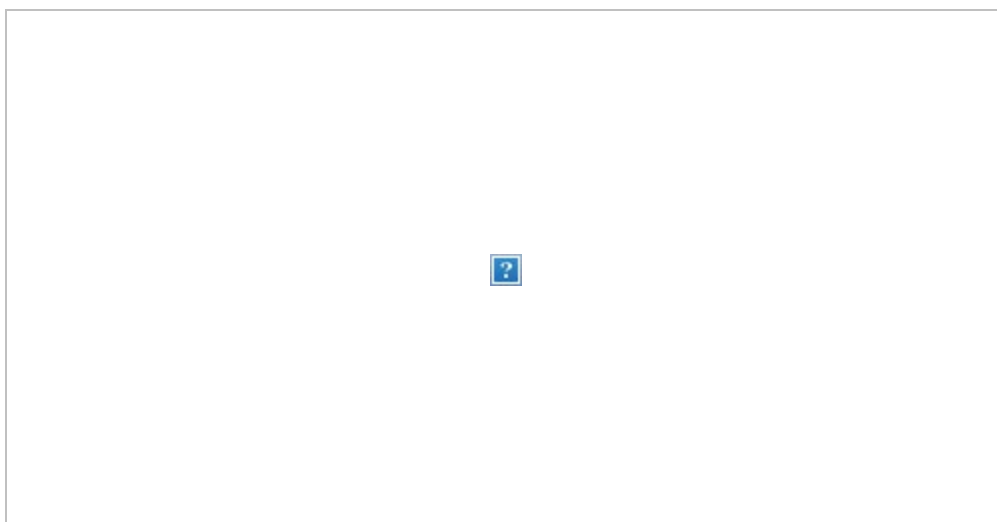
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## HCPSS Student Recognized as Presidential Scholar

Centennial High School senior Tingyu Li has been honored as a U.S. Presidential Scholar by the U.S. Department of Education. Li was [recognized](#) for her academic accomplishments, community service and leadership.

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## **Staff Focus: Amy Fuller**

Centennial Lane Elementary School Kindergarten Teacher Amy Fuller has quickly established herself as a leader in teaching kindergarten, and is one of a handful of teachers piloting the Early Childhood Demonstration Teacher Initiative. Learn more about Amy in the latest [Staff Focus](#).

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## **DMC Special Education Reports Available Online**

The Special Education Opportunities Review and other District Management Council reports issued for HCPSS are available on the Special Education webpage at <http://www.hcpss.org/special-education/#dmc>.

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## **Upcoming Events**

### **Howard County Association of Student Councils Meeting**

**| Wednesday, May 10, 7–8:30 p.m., [Homewood Center](#)**

All HCPSS middle and high school students are invited to the May [general meeting](#) of the Howard County Association of Student Councils. The meeting will focus on school elections.

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### **PIMA Call for Nominations**

**| Submission deadline: Monday, May 15**

HCPSS is seeking [nominations](#) for its 2017 Parent Involvement Matters Award. The award recognizes parents and guardians who have made significant contributions to public education that have led to improvements for HCPSS students, teachers, schools, programs and/or policies.

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### **HCPSS Greenhouse Spring Sale**

**| Through early June**

The ARL Greenhouse Horticulture program has opened its doors to the community for its annual [spring sale](#), offering many plant varieties grown entirely by HCPSS special needs high school students as part of their vocational training.

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## Counselor of the Year Nominations

**| Nomination deadline: Friday, June 9**

The Howard County Association of Counseling and Development is [seeking nominations](#) to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the counseling profession through its annual Counselor of the Year and Advocate of the Year awards.

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