

School News & Events May 2023



# ST. MARY'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (SMCPS) CALENDAR ADJUSTMENTS

St. Mary's County Public Schools has a revised the SY2022-23 calendar:

- May 12 now a virtual day
- June 9 Last day of school (due to no inclement weather days this year)

# SMCPS ACADEMY APPLICATIONS CLOSE MAY 5

St. Mary's County Public Schools (SMCPS) is now accepting online applications for its signature Academy Programs: The STEM Academy, The Academy of Visual and Performing Arts, and The Academy of Global and International Studies. The deadline to apply is May 5. Additional information and applications are available at <a href="https://www.smcps.org/academies">www.smcps.org/academies</a>.

# PRE-K / Kindergarten REGISTRATION

- St. Mary's County Public Schools.
  - *Pre-K* applications to determine eligibility are available online. If a paper application is needed, please contact the school. All families are welcome to submit an application, and required documents to be screened for eligibility. Eligibility is based on age, income and school eligibility. For more information and required documentation visit <a href="http://www.smcps.ort/ssp/early-childhood-education">http://www.smcps.ort/ssp/early-childhood-education</a> or call 301-475-5511, ext. 32136.
  - Kindergarten registration will open May 9. Parent may visit the school zoned to serve their residence to complete/submit paperwork. Required documentation includes evidence of birth, proof of residency, a copy of the child's immunization record, and any court papers regarding custody of the minor child. Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) must also bring photo identification when registering their child. For information visit <u>https://www.smcps.org/dci/kindergarten-early-k-registration</u> or contact Kate Weaver, Supervisor of Student Services, at 301-475-5511, ext. 32150
- Calvert County Public Schools
  - Pre-K parents must complete an application, which includes income information. Once parents receive an acceptance letter they can proceed with the online registration process for their school. Information and the online application is available at <a href="https://calvertmdcpk.scriborder.com/">https://calvertmdcpk.scriborder.com/</a>. For more information, contact Ms. Andrea Jones, JonesAL@calvertnet.k12.md.us or 443-550-80801
  - Kindergarten: Registration is open! All registrations are completed online at <a href="https://www.calvertnet.k12.md.us/departments/student-services/online-registration">https://www.calvertnet.k12.md.us/departments/student-services/online-registration</a>. This site will provide step by step instructions for completing the application and submitting required documentation. For more information or assistance, contact

Kristin Plachno, Early Childhood Learning Specialist at

<u>plachnok@calvertnet.k12.md.us</u> or (410) 535-8040 or Joyce Farrell King, Supervisor of Primary Education State and Federal Grant Programs at <u>kingj@calvertnet.k12.md.us</u>.

#### **GUIDING CHILDREN'S BEHAVIOR: WHERE DO I BEGIN?**

#### May 16, 6-8:30 p.m. Calvert County Board of Education, Prince Frederick MD

All behavior is communication – figure out what's being said! This workshop, offered by CCPS Parent Connections, will help caregivers and parents lay the foundation for effective behavior management. While appropriate for all caregivers of elementary age children, the focus will be ages 2-7. For more information or to register, contact <u>parentconnections@calvertnet.k12.md.us</u>.

# ESTATE PLANNING ISSUES FOR PARENTS

# May 17, 6-8 p.m. SMCPS Board of Education Conference Room, Leonardtown MD

This SMCPS Partners for Success workshop with guest speaker/Attorney, Joann Wood, will address issues for parents including guardianship, power of attorney, and special needs trusts for individuals with disabilities and the Maryland ABLE Act. This workshop is FREE but registration is required. To register, please contact Robyn Roberts at <u>partnersforsuccess@smcps.org</u>.

# ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE GI BILL (HYBRID)

# June 5, 5-6 p.m. at the Fleet and Family Support Center OR Virtually via TEAMS

Do you know about the GI Bill benefits? Do you have questions about how to use it, how to transfer it, or how dependents can apply it? Maybe you have questions about the Yellow Ribbon program. Attend this informative session and get your questions answered by the Department of Veteran's Affairs Master Benefits Advisor! Space is limited; registration is required. Email <u>NASPax\_SL@us.navy.mil</u> or call 301-995-4004 to reserve your seat or request TEAMS link.

#### SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

School is still in session but summer is right around the corner and registration for many summer camps begins in March! If you're interested in Pax River's CYP summer camps, contact Pax CYP team for information. If you're interested in a particular academic, performing art or extracurricular interest camp, contact the School Liaison Officer for options.

#### SPECIAL ED CONNECTION

Navy Child and Youth Programs brings you Special Ed Connection FREE of charge. This special education resource provides resources and tools that Navy staff and parents can use to gain a clear understanding of special education requirements and services and how they work. For more information or to request access to this resource, contact the School Liaison at 301-995-4004 or <u>NASPax\_SL@us.navy.mil</u> or your EFMP Case Liaison at 301-757-1869 or <u>NASPAX-FFSC@us.navy.mil</u>.

#### **PARENT WEBINARS**

The Navy Child and Youth Program, Child & Youth Education Services announces a series of Parent Education Webinars for Navy Personnel and DoD personnel assigned to navy installations. These interactive webinars offer researched based information and ideas for participants. To view a complete list and/or register visit <u>www.militarychild.org/webinars</u>. Note, if you register for the webinar, but cannot attend the live session, you may access the recorded version at a later time.

May 2, 12:00 PM EST 4923N – Maximizing Your Student's Sumer Experience

May 3, 12:00 PM EST 2053AF – Character Does Matter: A Guided Discussion on the Resilience of the Military Family

May 9, 12:00 PM EST 5123N – Financial Management Skills – It's Never too Soon to Start

May 10, 12:00 PM EST 5223AF – Understanding Impact: When a Parent Leaves the Military

May 16, 12:00 PM EST 5323N – Helping Your Military Kid Overcome Procrastination – Today!

May 17, 12:00 PM EST 5423AF – College Transitions for Military-Connected Homeschool Students

May 23, 12:00 PM EST 5523N – Making Connections: Navigating Change with Young Military-Connected Children

May 24, 12:00 PM EST 5623AF – Where Do I Sit at Lunch? Being the New Kid in Middle and High School

#### TUTOR.COM

# Spring 2023 C.R.A.M. Webinars for High School students and parents (College Readiness and Management)

This is a FREE Webinar series for high school students!

- May 2, 4 p.m. Navigating Preparation for College
- May 9, 4 p.m. Navigating the College Decision
- May 23, 4 p.m. Navigating College Admissions
- May 30, 4 p.m. Navigating Financial Literacy for College

• June 6 Navigating Life During and After College

If you can't attend live, just be sure to register and you'll receive the final recorded webinar via email. Click here to <u>register</u>.

# MILITARY INTERSTATE CHILDREN'S COMPLACT COMMISSION (MIC3)

The Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunities for Military Children has been signed by all 50 states and the District of Columbia. It is designed to level the playing field for military youth on the move. The Compact addresses school issues for military students and families in the areas of enrollment, placement & attendance, eligibility, and graduation. For more information on the Interstate Compact visit <u>www.mic3.net</u> or contact the School Liaison.

#### IS THERE A MOVE IN YOUR FUTURE?

Contact the School Liaison for information and resources to help make your move a smooth pcs (positive change of schools). Call 301-995-4004 or email <u>NavySLO.NASPAXR.fct@navy.mil</u>.