

# School News & Events July 2021



### MWR SUMMER READING PROGRAM - Reading Colors Your World

Readers of all ages are encouraged to join and log reading time to win prizes this summer! Register at <a href="https://www.naspaxriver.beanstack.org">www.naspaxriver.beanstack.org</a>.

#### **TUTOR.COM**

Catching up on coursework this summer? Preparing for more challenging classes this fall? Learn how to incorporate better study habits into your routine in this brief Student Success webinar, where we'll help you discover:

- Effective memorization strategies
- Ways to avoid cramming
- Strategic use of notes, pictures, and mind maps
- The power of wellness in studying (#selfcare)

To register visit: <a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7096855391486038541">https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7096855391486038541</a>

#### **SAT TESTING**

Testing dates for the 2021-22 school year have been posted and registration is open. The first test date of the year is August 28; deadline to register for this test date is July 30. See complete list of dates and instructions to register at <a href="https://www.collegereadiness.collegboard.org/sat/register/dates-deadlines">www.collegereadiness.collegboard.org/sat/register/dates-deadlines</a>.

#### **MOVING THIS SUMMER?**

If your family is planning a PCS move this summer, don't forget to formally withdraw your child(ren) from their current school. In most cases, you will receive a withdrawal or transfer packet with important information from your child's school file that will make it easier to enroll in the new school. Most schools require mandatory documentation to register such as: evidence of birth (birth certificate preferred), residency documentation (housing agreements/ mortgage papers/lease agreements), medical records (immunization record), and documentation of special services (current IEP or evaluation, 504 plan, ESOL services, gifted/talented placement). For more information and assistance, contact the School Liaison at 301-995-4004.

Moving OCONUS this summer with school aged children?

DODEA's education system allows access to registration materials prior to moving OCONUS. Information and forms are available online at <a href="https://reigstration.dodea.edu/">https://reigstration.dodea.edu/</a>.

The Non-DOD Schools Program (NDSP) provides support and funding for the education of authorized command-sponsored dependents of military members and Department of Defense (DoD) civilian employees assigned to overseas areas where no DoDEA school is available within the commuting area.

At these locations, DoDEA supports a variety of options for children ranging from home school programs to public or private schools. Approval for the enrollment of an eligible minor dependent of a DoD sponsor must be obtained from DoDEA NDSP office before enrolling a child in a non-DoD school. To register, go to <a href="https://registration.dodea.edu/NDSP/privacy-act.cfm">https://registration.dodea.edu/NDSP/privacy-act.cfm</a>

# ST. MARY'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS' (SMCPS) ANNOUNCES THE OPENING OF THE SMCPS VIRTUAL ACADEMY FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

The SMCPS Virtual Academy will be open for any student that is currently enrolled in St. Mary's County Public Schools or plans to enroll for the fall of 2021. The Virtual Academy will provide full-time, online instruction for students in grades 3-12. Using a blend of online educational technology tools and platforms, the Virtual Academy will provide students an opportunity to continue learning at home through a variety of synchronous, asynchronous, and blended approaches to the curriculum. The first of three informational sessions will be held on July 13, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom or in-person in the Board of Education Meeting Room, located at 23160 Moakley Street, Leonardtown, MD 20650. More information on the Virtual Academy and the Zoom link to the information sessions can be found by visiting schools.smcps.org/virtual.

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (SMCPS) SUMMER GRAB & GO MEALS and ACTIVITY BAGS**SMCPS Judy Center and Food and Nutrition Services are pleased to announce its free summer meals program in partnership with a grant from the United States Department of Agriculture. Meals are for children 18 and under, free of charge.

On Wednesdays, July 7<sup>th</sup> - August 25<sup>th</sup>, the SMCPS' Food Service will operate a Grab and Go Breakfast and Lunch pick up at G.W. Carver Elementary School and Greenview Knolls Elementary School from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Parents or guardians may visit either site to pick up seven days of nutritious breakfast and lunch for their child. Additionally, on Wednesdays, July 7<sup>th</sup> - August 4<sup>th</sup>, the Judy Center will be offering weekly learn at home family activity bags at G.W. Carver Elementary School and Greenview Knolls Elementary School from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

For additional information regarding grab-and-go breakfast and lunch, please contact Food and Nutrition Services at <a href="mailto:foodservice@smcps.org">foodservice@smcps.org</a>. For more information regarding weekly family activity bags, please contact the Judy Center at 301-863- 4068.

## **CALVERT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS GRAB & GO SUMMER MEALS**

The Calvert County Public Schools Child Nutrition Program will continue to offer meal kits throughout the summer to children ages 2-18. Summer meal distribution will begin on June 10 and will occur on Thursdays from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The summer distribution locations are Windy Hill Middle School, Calvert High School and Patuxent High School.

Meal kits continue to be available free of charge. Due to the extension of USDA waivers, parents/guardians wishing to pick up meals without their children being present may do so but <u>must</u> <u>pre-register</u>. Families may register by calling the Child Nutrition Office at 443.550.8680 Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Any parent/guardian who is unsure if their child is already registered for

the program may contact the Child Nutrition Office. Once registered, parents/guardians may pick up meals without their children being present.

#### **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 <a href="www.militarychild.org/webinars">www.militarychild.org/webinars</a>. Note, if you register for the webinar, but cannot attend the live session, you may access the recorded version at a later time.

July 14, 12:00 PM EST Lessons Learned from Virtual learning with Children with Exceptional Needs

July 27, 12:00 PM EST College Application Process

July 28, 12:00 PM EST Back to School Basics