

TOP STORIES

Spring Break Begins Next Week



Schools will be closed for Spring Break from Monday, April 11 through Monday, April 18. There is also a two-hour early dismissal for students this Friday, April 8. Classes resume Tuesday, April 19.

All PGCPS offices will be closed on Friday, April 15 and Monday, April 18.

Annual Science Fair Winners Announced



Students in grades 6-12 competed against peers from schools in Prince George's and St. Mary's counties in the 74th Annual Prince George's Area Science Fair (PGASF)! Highlights this year include three Grand Award winners from Eleanor Roosevelt High School who earned special awards including a partial four-year college scholarship. Additionally, Paint Branch Chinese Immersion School student Nicolas Rivero (pictured) won six PGASF awards!

Grand Award Winners will represent PGASF on the international stage at the Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair in May.

"Our scholars did an amazing job showcasing their world-changing STEMM research projects and highlighting opportunities for future studies," said PGASF Director Dr. Godfrey Rangasammy. "We are forever grateful to the judges, committee members, science fair coordinators, science teachers and mentors, and families for their support, guidance and patience!"

[View 2022 Winners](#)

Empowering Students with Disabilities with Life Skills





Learn how PGCPS supports students with disabilities as they prepare for life after high school and [transitioning into adulthood](#) with workforce readiness, community participation and self advocacy skills and more. The goal: higher education, technical training, employment and/or independent living!

Join us this week on Wednesday, April 6 at 6 p.m. for our annual College and Career Fair for youth ages 13-21 with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).

[Register](#)

New: Student Service-Learning During School Day



Students in grades 6-12 can now participate in service-learning experiences during the school day to fulfill their graduation requirement of a minimum of 24 independent service-learning hours.

'Project 24' Kickoff

Over the next five weeks students can participate in Project 24, our school-based service-learning campaign!

[View Project Ideas](#)

CEO Dr. Monica Goldson Among Appointees to White House Board of Advisors on HBCUs



Three-time HBCU graduate and PGCPs Chief Executive Officer Dr. Monica Goldson is among leaders who President Biden announced his intent to appoint to the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)! The President's Board will work to increase the capacity of HBCUs to provide the highest-quality education to students and continue serving as engines of opportunity.

[Learn More](#)

Cast Your Vote: Mr. Lewis for Custodian of the Year!



Team PGCPs 27-year custodian Mr. James Lewis of Beltsville Academy is a top 10 finalist in the nation for Cintas Custodian of the Year! Learn more about his "why" plus why he is [loved by colleagues](#) and help him secure the top prize by casting your vote!

[Vote](#)

#PGCPSProud: Students Culminate Mentoring Program



Catherine T. Reed Elementary School students recently completed a mentorship program as part of the Maryland State Department of Education's Achieving Academic Equity and Excellence for Black Boys initiative. Students received custom shirts, blazers and ties and celebrated with a jacket ceremony!

New Suitland High School Town Hall

JOIN US

The new **SUITLAND HIGH SCHOOL**
DESIGN and CONSTRUCTION COMMUNITY TOWN HALL

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM via ZOOM

On Tuesday, April 5, the Department of Capital Programs will host a town hall on design and construction of the long-awaited, new Suitland High School. The new school building will continue to serve students in the Suitland boundary and the Center for Visual and Performing Arts.

[Register](#)

Spring Break COVID-19 Home Testing



To mitigate potential COVID-19 spread that may be experienced during spring break, schools will receive a shipment of home test kits beginning the week of March 28. Students and staff are asked to self-administer the test prior to returning to schools on Tuesday, April 19.

PGCPS IN A MINUTE



Find out what's happening in PGCPS this week including our finalist for Custodian of the Year, the new Suitland High School Town Hall, end of third quarter and approved 2022-2023 school calendar!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

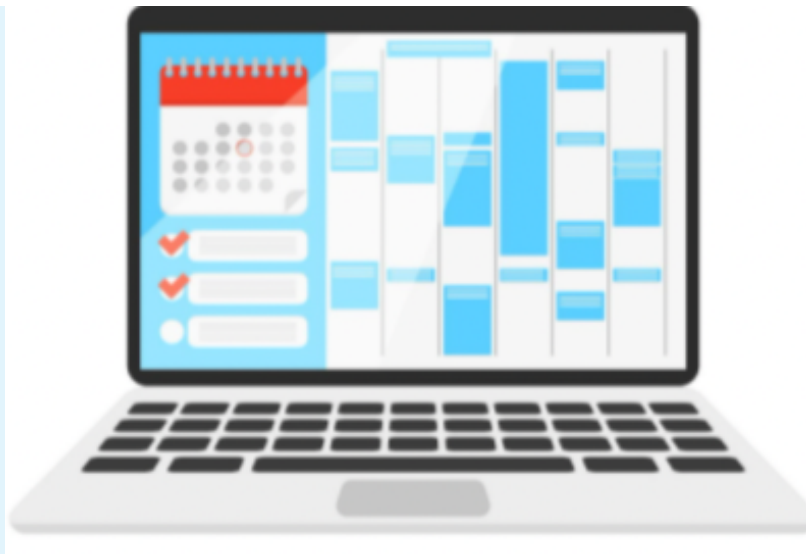
Deadlines Extended to Accept High School Specialty Program Seats



If you have received notification that your child has been accepted into or waitlisted for the Science and Technology, Aerospace Engineering and Aviation Technology or International Baccalaureate (IB) program, you must first [complete the online intent form](#) to ensure you will move on to the next step in the placement process. Once notified of placement, you must accept your child's seat using your [Scriborder account](#).

The deadline to complete intent forms has been extended to **Wednesday, April 6**. The deadline to accept placement has been extended to **Monday, April 11**.

2022-2023 School Calendar Approved



The Board of Education has approved the 2022-23 school year calendar. The first day for teachers is Friday, August 19 and the first day of school for students is Monday, August 29.

[View Calendar](#)

County Launches Spanish Newsletter: *Conexiones Comunitarias*

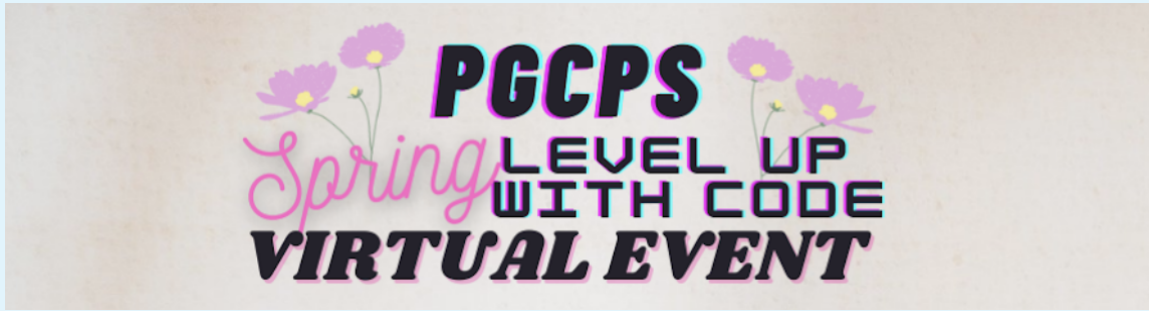


Prince George's County Government launched a Spanish version of the *Community Connections* newsletter which offers news and updates translated for Spanish-speaking residents. [Check out the first issue](#) of *Conexiones Comunitarias*, then subscribe using the button below to receive the newsletter via email.

[Subscribe](#)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAMILIES

Spring Level Up With Code Virtual Event



Students in PreK through Grade 6 can pair up with an adult in their home for a fun hour of coding. No coding experience needed!

April 7 | 6-7 p.m.

For more information, email jessica.leedy@pgcps.org. The Zoom link will be shared after registration is received.

Register

Spring Break Fun: Virtual Blue Sky Puppet Theatre



Children ages 2-5 can take part in a fun virtual puppet theater event through [Blue Sky Puppet Theatre](#) promoting school readiness. Showings will be at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on the following dates:

Tuesday, April 12

Wednesday, April 13

Thursday, April 14

Register by emailing Viviette Christian viviette.christian@pgcps.org. Include your name, email, phone number and the school your child attends. Zoom links will be provided after registration.

[Download Flyer](#)

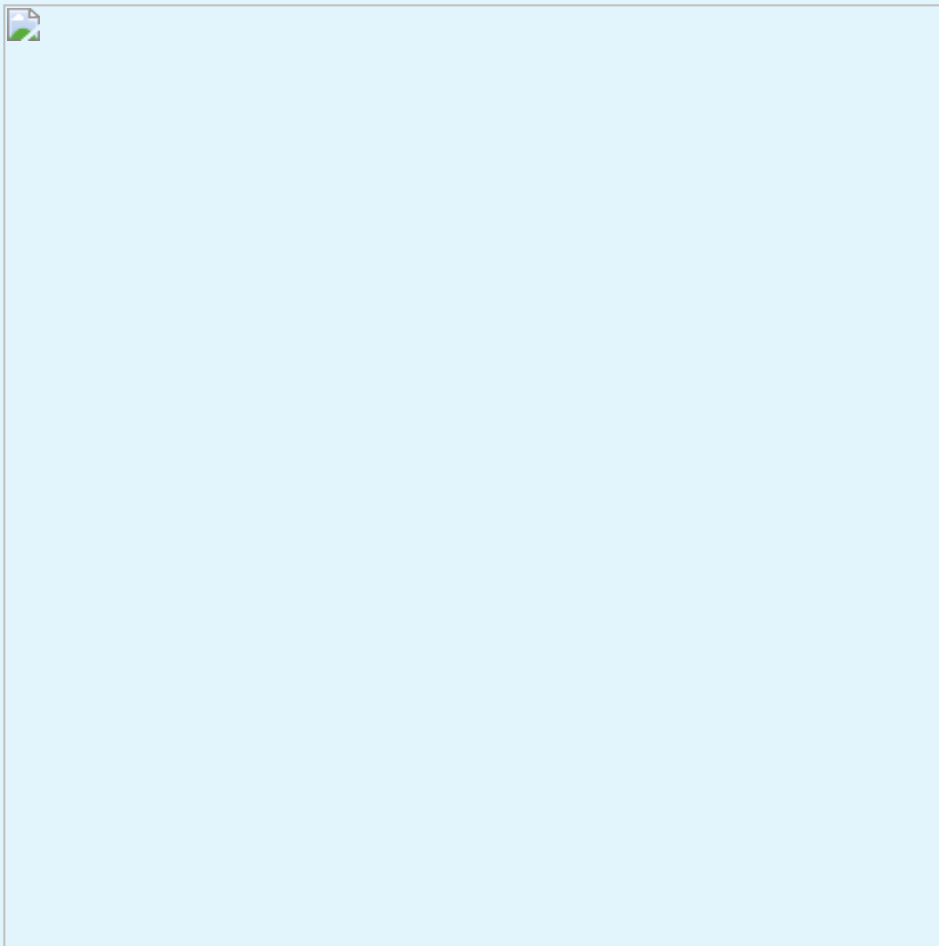
Deadline Extended: Share Your Post-Graduation Plans and Enter to Win a Chromebook



Submit a short video or photo sharing your post-graduation plans – whether heading to college or into a career or military! Submit videos (15 to 25 seconds) to communications@pgcps.org with subject "College Signing Day" by Monday, April 11. Also, seniors can enter to win a Chromebook. Winners will be announced on College Signing Day on May 2.

Enter to Win

Prince George's County Summer Fun 2022





Vision Zero is sponsoring a traffic safety video contest for students in middle and high school. Enter for a chance to win a \$100-\$500 Amazon gift card!

[Learn More](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Lottery Extended! Talented and Gifted (TAG) Program Lottery
CLOSES April 6**



The lottery application window for the 2022-23 Talented and Gifted (TAG) program is open through **Wednesday, April 6**. Students who meet criteria for TAG identification may apply for next school year through the lottery process.

[Learn More](#)

Coming Up This Week

April 4 – A Night of AI

April 5 – Family Institute: Spring Testing and Assessments

April 5 – New Suitland High School Town Hall

April 6 – Special Education Virtual College & Career Fair

April 7 – End of Third Quarter

April 7 – Spring Level Up with Code Event

April 7 – Family Institute: Adolescent Clubhouse

April 8 – 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students

April 11-18 – Spring Break

QUICK LINKS

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