

## TOP STORIES

### CEO's Spring Updates



Be sure to view CEO Dr. Monica Goldson's update on continued efforts to prioritize health and safety while easing back into normal routines, including volunteers in schools, outdoor field trips, indoor concerts and high school proms.

[Read More](#)

### Student Transfer Season

PGCPS will accept student transfer requests for the 2022-23 school year from Monday, April 25 (9 a.m.) through Friday, May 13 (11:59 p.m.). Parents and guardians of current PGCPS students can submit transfer requests electronically through the [SchoolMax Family](#)

**Portal.** Portal access is limited to parents and legal guardians with an active SchoolMax Family Portal account (username and password).

Parents and legal guardians of former PGCPs students can request a transfer form by contacting [Student.Transfers@pgcps.org](mailto:Student.Transfers@pgcps.org) or 301-567-8751. Students entering Kindergarten who are not currently enrolled in a PGCPs PreK or Early Childhood Center (ECC) program must request a transfer form.

The Office of Student Records, Transfers and Archival Services will not accept transfer requests to schools that exceed state-rated capacity.

## **#PGCPSProud: Educators Named Among Best in Region!**



Oxon Hill Elementary School Principal Wanda Williams and Thomas G. Pullen Creative & Performing Arts Academy music educator Thomas Pierre were announced as finalists for the 2022 Washington Post Principal and Teacher of the Year awards!

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## **Spotlight: Crossland High School Culinary Arts**



Crossland High School was among 10 teams nationwide to take part in a culinary competition at the Johnson Space Center in Houston where students were challenged to prepare meals for astronauts heading into space!

[Watch](#)

## Addressing Food Scarcity: Family Food Boxes

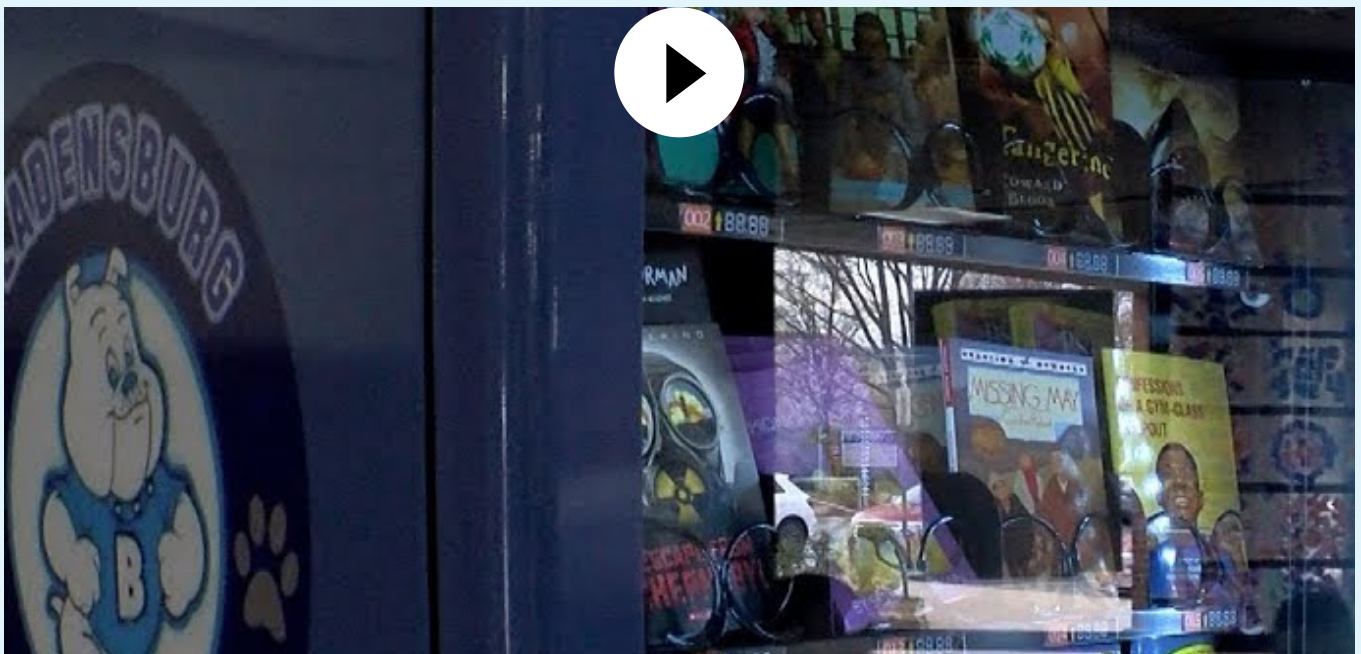




The [Community Schools](#) team has partnered with Bowie Produce to pilot a monthly distribution of Family Food Boxes at Samuel P. Massie Academy and G. James Gholson and Nicholas Orem middle schools. The PGCPs Community Schools initiative provides equitable access to integrated support and services that promote academic, economic and social empowerment for schools and their communities.

[Watch](#)

## Meet the Bladensburg Elementary Book Fairy!







While most fairies have a set of wings, a magic wand, and plenty of joy to spread around, Bladensburg Elementary School's "Book Fairy" has something even more wondrous: a vending machine that makes literary dreams come true!

## **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!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Help Set Priorities for Education!



The Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) invites Maryland residents to complete the Strategic Planning Survey. The survey will help guide implementation of the multi-year strategic plan to transform public education.

[Take the Survey](#)

### Weigh In on Proposed Boundary Changes

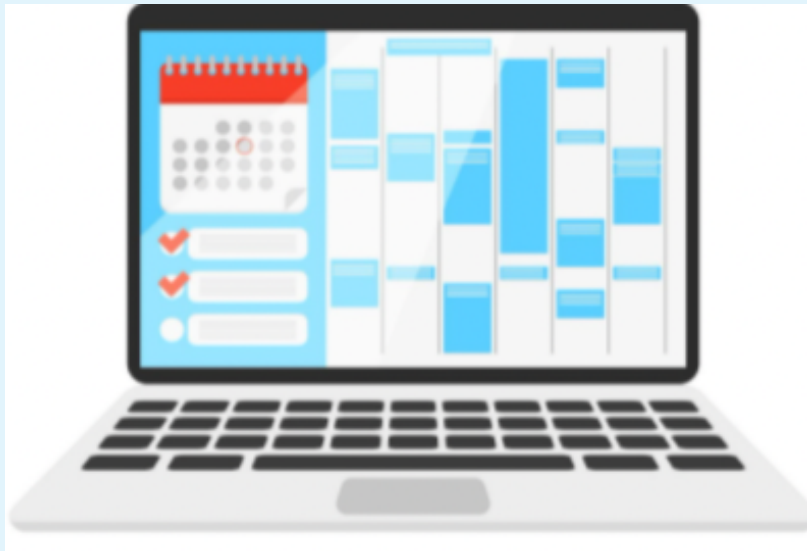
Families and community members will now have more time to weigh in on proposed school boundary scenarios. The project timeline has been extended to allow for the appointment of new Board of Education members in districts 5 and 6 with adequate time to review community feedback.

A summary of community engagement for the Comprehensive School Boundary Initiative is available [online](#), including information about the engagement activities to date and results from the online survey on the three boundary scenarios.

[More Information](#)



## 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](#)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAMILIES

### Enroll Now for Full-Day Prekindergarten and Kindergarten for the 2022-23 School Year!



All families can apply for prekindergarten for children who turn four years old on or before September 1, 2022. All programs are full day and class size is limited to 20 students.

Program sites are open to those living within the school boundary area, and will follow the school's bell times. For details, [visit the prekindergarten webpage](#).

Registration is also open for kindergarten for children who turn five years old on or before September 1, 2022. More information is available on the [kindergarten webpage](#).

Apply Now

## KinderConnect Supports New Kindergarten English Learners



The ESOL Office & the Office of Interpreting and Translation will host the annual KinderConnect family outreach program in partnership with the Prince George's Memorial Library System. KinderConnect family workshops are for newly-registered English learners entering kindergarten in the fall. New students receive a backpack with materials and a set of books and families participate in bilingual reading and math activities and each student receives a set of books.

Staff will be on site to answer parents' questions and provide language access resources for a successful start!

**Tuesday, May 10 | Noon - 3 p.m.**  
New Carrollton Branch Library

**Tuesday, May 17 | Noon - 3 p.m.**  
Hyattsville Branch Library



Download the Flyer

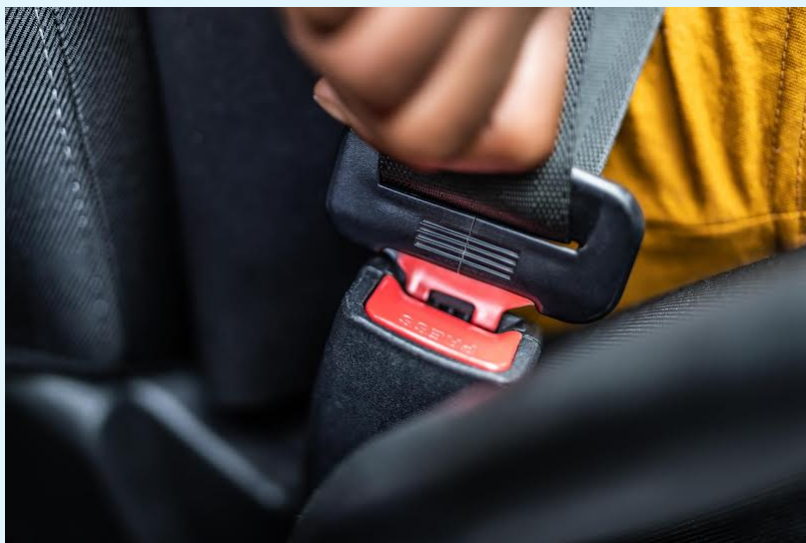
## Last Chance: Share Your Post-Graduation Plans and Enter to Win a Chromebook



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](mailto:communications@pgcps.org) with subject "College Signing Day" by Thursday, April 21. Also, seniors can enter to win a Chromebook. Winners will be announced on College Signing Day on May 2.

Enter to Win

## Vision Zero Video Contest



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

### Coming Up This Week

**April 27** – Family Institute: Student Mental Health Supports

**April 28** – Family Institute: The Critical and Essential Role of Black Fathers in Children's Education

**April 29** – Fourth Quarter Reports Cards Posted Online for Seniors

## QUICK LINKS

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