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EXPRESS

A NEWSLETTER FOR PGCPS EMPLOYEES

CEO Announces Retirement

This week, CEO Dr. Monica Goldson announced [plans to retire](#) at the end of the 2022-2023 academic year, bringing to an end her 32-year career with the school system.

“After careful thought, prayer, and discussions with my family, I have decided to move to my next journey in life: retirement,” Goldson said. “It has been an absolute honor to lead over 131,000 students in the place I call home.”



ICYMI: CEO's Mid-Year News Update



[Check out](#) top news and highlights from the first half of the 2022-2023 school year!

Saturday: Winter Hiring Event

Prince George's County Public Schools
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You're Invited!

PGCPS Winter
RECRUITMENT
Event

Dr. Henry A. Wise, Jr. High School
Saturday, January 7, 2023
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Learn about eligibility requirements
and how to join the
PGCPS School Community!

[Register Here](#)

Immediate Openings
Classroom Teacher
Substitute Teacher
Paraprofessional
ISEA
Dedicated Aide
School Secretary

Spread the word about our winter recruitment event Saturday, Jan. 7 at Dr. Henry A. Wise, Jr. High School. Candidates can learn about school-based employment opportunities for teachers, substitute teachers, paraprofessionals, aides and school secretaries!

Deadline Soon: The Washington Post Awards



Nominations for the annual *The Washington Post* principal and teacher of the year awards are open! Two nominees (one teacher and one principal) will be selected to represent PGCPs in the regional competition for *The Washington Post* Principal and Teacher of the Year awards.

Email nomination packets to communications@pgcps.org (the Office of Communications) by **Friday, Jan. 13, 2023**. Do not send packets directly to *The Washington Post*.

[Teacher of the Year Application](#)

[Principal of the Year Application](#)

Call for Nominations: Christa McAuliffe Award



In honor of former PGCPs teacher and America's Teacher-In-Space Christa McAuliffe, the Board of Education established an annual award to recognize an outstanding teacher based on competitive standards of excellence. The nomination deadline is March 3.

[Learn More](#)

Register: Empowering Your Learning Conference



Interested in maximizing technology in the classroom? Register for the free 25th Annual Powering Up With Technology Conference, now known as Empowering Your Learning, on **Saturday, Jan. 28** at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (or virtual) from 9 to 2:30 p.m.

Conference strands include Google Workspace, Canvas for Beginners and Intermediate/Advanced, Teaching with Interactive Whiteboard Technology and more!

What's new this year?

Strands - Instead of choosing from a catalog of sessions, participants will select a strand and participate in pre-determined sessions, for the entire day.

Format - Strands will be fully online, fully in-person, or a mix of some people online and some in-person.

Payment - Unit 1 employees are eligible for payment. (Full day participation is required for payment.)

[More Info/Register](#)

Local Artists Wanted for New School Building Murals



The Office of Alternative Infrastructure Planning and Development is accepting proposals from local artists to collaborate on mural installations for six new school buildings under construction! Proposals are due by January 25. For details on scope and requirements, please attend a pre-proposal meeting on January 10 at 11 a.m. or view project proposal request forms.

[Learn More](#)

Spotlight

"Shaping Classrooms of the Future"



Hear from PGCPS Chief Information and Technology Officer Andrew Zuckerman on how the school system is leveraging technology to support innovation!

EdTech Story

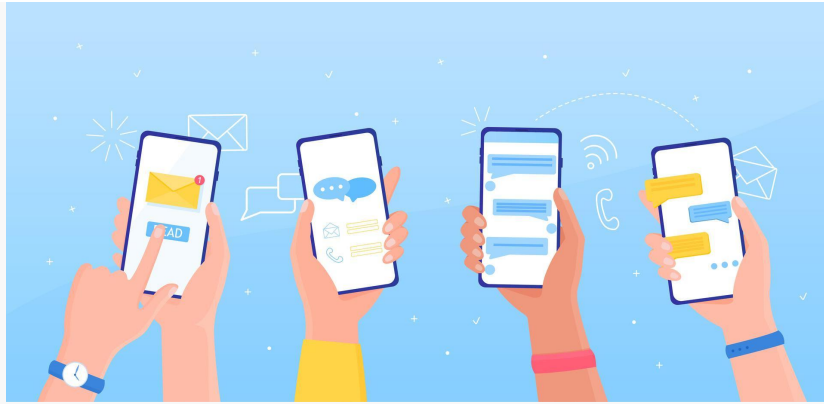
Military Bowl Honors Educators



Four PGCPS educators who are military veterans or who have families who serve were honored at the Military Bowl! Congratulations to **Gerta Davis** (Barnaby Manor Elementary School) **Klya Johnson** (Rose Valley Elementary School), **Lillian Rivera** and **Ivette Quarles** (Mount Rainier Elementary School).

Announcements & Professional Development

Don't Miss PGCPS Calls/Texts



Staff who want to receive text alerts (such as inclement weather closings) must create a SchoolMessenger subscriber account. Staff **MUST NOT** use their PGCPS email when creating a subscriber account. Be sure to use a personal email address and the phone number to which you'd like to receive text alerts. When [signing up](#), subscribe to PGCPS under topics.

IRS Standard Mileage Rate Change



Employees using their cars for official travel will now be reimbursed at the rate of \$0.655 per mile. The new rate will be applied to any requests for mileage reimbursement for travel occurring on or after Sunday, Jan. 1.

Nominate a School for Green Initiatives!

An advertisement for the "Waste Diversion and Recycling Awards 2022" in Prince George's County. The background is a light green with a white curtain-like texture. The text "PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY" is at the top. Below it, "WASTE DIVERSION AND RECYCLING AWARDS" is written in large, bold, green letters. At the bottom, "2022" is written in large, bold, dark grey letters. On the right side, there are three logos: the Prince George's County seal, the "ENVIRONMENT" logo with a green leaf, and the "Prince George's County" logo. Below the logos, the text "Submit your nominations!" is written in bold. Underneath that, "Deadline: January 9, 2023" is written. At the bottom right, it says "For forms and more information, visit bit.ly/KPGCB". A small illustration of a trophy with a green plant growing out of it is positioned between the award title and the information text. In the bottom left corner, there is a small logo that says "Prince Georges Proud".

Nominations have been extended through Jan. 9 for the Prince George's County Department of the Environment (DoE) and [Keep Prince George's County Beautiful \(KPGCB\) 2022 Waste Diversion and Recycling Virtual Awards](#).

The awards recognize commercial businesses, schools and other entities who have demonstrated exceptional achievements in recycling and waste diversion to advance the mission of DoE and KPGCB.

[Nomination Form](#)

Board of Education Continues Work on FY2024 Operating Budget



The Board of Education will continue the budget development process with work sessions and public hearings in January and February.

Thursday, Jan. 26

Budget Work Session - 5 p.m.

Budget Public Hearing - 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 2

Budget Work Session - 5 p.m.

Budget Public Hearing - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 15

Budget Work Session - 5 p.m.

Budget Public Hearing - 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 23

Board Meeting - Requested Budget Approval - 7 p.m.

[Learn More](#)

#TeamPGCPS Paparazzi



CEO Monica Goldson
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Thank you for the many kind words and well-wishes on my retirement announcement! I always stress the importance of knowing your why. As I prepare for my next journey, this is my WHY... Family first, family always.



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