

Route 40 Elementary School

Jacqueline Hawkins, Principal

May 10, 2024

Small acts, when multiplied by millions of people, can transform the world. – Howard Zinn



MCAP Testing

We had a great first week of testing! Thank you for having your child here on time and ready for the day!

Math MCAP Testing will begin on Monday, May 13th - Friday, May 17th (School are closed Tuesday, May 14th for Election Day.) Please make sure your child is here on time and well rested. If you have any questions about the testing, please call the school and speak with Mrs. Hawkins.



Schools will be closed Tuesday, May 14th for election day.



School Panoramic Photo

Our whole school panoramic photo is scheduled for Monday, May 13th. Flyers were sent home on Monday. Please send the form along with check made to Lifetouch in on Monday. If paying with cash please have the exact amount. You can also order online at <https://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/#/prepay-student-info?routeTo=PAYONLY>



End of Year Changes

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GCPS END-OF-YEAR CALENDAR CHANGES

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Girls on the Run 5k

Our Girls on the Run 5K will be held here at Route 40 Elementary School on Saturday May 18, 2024 at 9:00 AM. Girls on the Run participants do not need to register. This event is open to the public and everyone is invited to participate. You can register to run the race or volunteer using the following links. If you have a student needing service learning hours they are welcome to volunteer to work the race, please email Mrs. Bolden with any interest. Come show our girls your support!



[Girls on the Run 5k Registration](#)
[Girls on the Run Volunteer](#)

Registration for PreK and Kindergarten is now open. Please use this link or share it with someone that may need to register their child. <https://www.gcps.net/enrollment>

PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN
Application Process begins 2/12/24 for the 2024-25 School Year!

www.gcps.net/enrollment

40 ELEMENTARY





An advertisement for the Maryland Special Education Parent Involvement Survey. It features a group of diverse people (adults and children) in the top left. Below them is the Maryland State Department of Education logo with the text 'MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION' and 'EQUITY AND EXCELLENCE'. To the right of the logo, the text reads: 'Please Complete the Maryland Special Education Parent Involvement Survey', 'Your opinion matters!', and 'Available February 12 to May 24, 2024'. At the bottom right is a blue button with the text 'Start Now.'.

Bocce Ball Fundraiser

Our Bocce Ball Team is doing a fundraiser to offset costs. If we raise \$350.00 or more Mrs. Hawkins and Mrs. Bolden have agreed to let four students slime them in front of the entire school. We will do the collection the same way we did coins for caring. The two classes that raise the most will have two students randomly chosen to dump the slime.

The fundraiser will run Monday, May 13th through Wednesday, May 22nd. The slime day will be Friday, May 24th and will be recorded and shared on our facebook page.



BOCCE BALL FUNDRAISER

May 13-22, 2024

If we meet the goal of \$350.00 Mrs. Hawkins and Mrs.
Bolden will be slimed

SLIME MRS. HAWKINS & MRS. BOLDEN

PROCEEDS GO TO THE BOCCE BALL TEAM

			1	2	3	4
			School Principal's Day	PTO Meeting 6:30		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	ELA MCAP Testing Grades 3-5	ELA MCAP Testing Grades 3-5	ELA MCAP Testing Grades 3-5	ELA MCAP Testing Grades 3-5		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Happy Mother's Day	Math MCAP Testing Grades 3-5	SCHOOLS CLOSED *Primary Election Day	Math MCAP Testing Grades 3-5	Math MCAP Testing Grades 3-5	Math MCAP Testing Grades 3-5	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
				Grades K-5 to Garrett College		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
SCHOOLS CLOSED - *Memorial Day	12:15 Dismissal *Staff Development			Grade 1&2 - Laurel Caverns Grade 3 - Old Bedford Village Grade 5 to NMS	Band/Chorus Spring Concert 2:00 pm Camp Fire 6-9pm	

MAY HAPPENINGS:

May 13th, 15th - 17th - Math MCAP Testing

May 14th - Schools Closed - Primary Election Day

May 15th - BOE Meeting

May 18th - Long Stretch 5k 9:00am

May 23rd - Whole School to Garrett College for The Little Mermaid Play

May 24th - Bocce Ball - SLMIE DAY

May 27th - Schools Closed - Memorial Day

May 28th - 12:15 dismissal - Staff Development

May 30th - 5th Grade orientation at NX

- 1st & 2nd Grades to Laurel Caverns
- 3rd Grade to Old Bedford Village

May 31st - Spring Concert (Band and Chorus only) 2:00pm

- School Campfire 6:00pm-9:00pm

JUNE HAPPENINGS:

June 3rd - 4th & 5th to Hickory

June 4th - Field Day

June 5th - 5th Grade Completion Ceremony 10:00am

- Kindergarten to Hovatter's Zoo

June 6th - 12:15 Dismissal

- 4th & 5th Grades to Washington D.C.

June 7th - 12:15 Dismissal - LAST DAY for Students

Weekly Breakfast & Lunch Menu

<p>13</p> <p> Corn Dog Chicken Nuggets Mixed Vegetables Peaches French Fries </p> <p>Whole Grain Donut, Cereal, Mixed Fruit Cup, Orange Juice, Milk</p>	<p>14</p> <p> SCHOOLS CLOSED PRIMARY ELECTION DAY </p>	<p>15</p> <p> Nachos Grande Chicken Patty Sandwich Tossed Salad Strawberry Applesauce Cup Corn </p> <p>Muffin, Cereal, Pear Cup, Orange Pineapple Juice, Milk</p>	<p>16</p> <p> BBQ Sandwich Pizza Carrot Sticks Pears Ice Cream Cups </p> <p>Waffle, Cereal, Strawberry Applesauce Cup, Grape Juice, Milk</p>	<p>17</p> <p> Hamburger Bosco Stick Oven Roasted Potatoes Mixed Fruit Baked Beans </p> <p>Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Orange Wedges, Apple Juice, Milk</p>
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Reminders

Changes in Transportation

Please remember that if there are ANY changes to your students transportation, you must send a note in with your child or call the school at 301-689-6132, please make sure that you speak to someone, do not leave a message. If the phones are down, the messages don't always come through until later. **We ask that you please DO NOT email Mrs. Bolden or your child's teacher with the change, we may not see the email in time.** If you have questions please contact Mrs. Bolden.

Absences

If your child is absent for any reason, GCPS requires a note be sent within 3 days of returning to school. This way the absence can be coded appropriately. After the 3rd day the absence is unexcused. Please send a note in with your child to be turned in to their teacher or you can email Mrs. Bolden about the absence.

Advance Absence Approval

If your child will be absent for personal reasons(vacations) and you know in advance, there is a form that needs to be filled out and signed by the classroom teacher and Mrs. Hawkins. You can

email Mrs. Bolden or send a note and request the form be sent home with your child a week prior to the absence. Any questions please feel free to contact the office.

Parent Volunteers

Parent volunteers are a vital part of our school routine. We host a regular work session to help prepare supplies on Thursday afternoons from 1:00 – 3:00. If Thursdays don't align to your schedule, please feel free to call and set up another time to join us. We value the assistance volunteers can provide to our educational program.

Medication Form

If your child needs to take medicine at school, we need to have the form below completed by the ordering physician. This includes prescription and over the counter medications. Please call the school and talk to the nurse for more information.

medication form

[Download](#)

167.9 KB

You can shop at the following link for a school spirit wear. Orders will be delivered to the school.

<https://rt-40-23.spiritsale.com/>



Michele Bolden

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