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April 27, 2025

Good evening, Burtonsville Families!

Mark your calendars:

4/29 - 1st Grade Music Concert
4/30 & 5/2 - MCAP, Grades 3 & 4 (ELA)

5/1 - Future Kindergartener Playdate

 **MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (MCAP)**  - Students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will take the MCAP assessment for **English/Language Arts and Mathematics** through May 16th (see dates below). Practice tests are available [here](#) for students to familiarize themselves with the items and formats used for the different MCAP assessments. Read [here](#) for testing resources and to learn more about MCAP.

English/Language Arts:

Grades 3 & 4 - April 30 and May 2
Grade 5 - May 12 and 13


Mathematics:

Grade 5 - May 14 and 16
Grades 3 & 4 - May 5 and 7

How to help your child/Reminders:

- Get a good night's rest the night before
- Eat a healthy breakfast at home or plan to eat the school-provided breakfast
- Be on time on the day of testing - Students who arrive at school late will not be allowed into the classroom during a testing session and will be required to test on a make-up day.
- **NO CELL PHONES/WATCHES/Bluetooth Headphones** - Personal mobile devices, such as cell phones/watches/tablets or Bluetooth-enabled headphones, are NOT permitted during the assessment administration. Use of these items during testing is a violation of test security and is strictly prohibited.

 **Music Concert at BES** - Grade 1: Tuesday, April 29th in the All Purpose Room at 6:30 PM

 **Kindergarten Enrollment** - If you have a child who will be five by September 1, 2025, [Kindergarten registration](#) for the 2025-2026 school year is open online through the ParentVUE portal. Burtonsville ES will host a **Future Kindergartener Playdate** from **10:00 AM - 12:00 PM on May 1, 2025**. See our [event flyer](#) for details.

A Message from our PTA...

★ **Chipotle PTA Fundraiser Night** is Wednesday, April 30, from 5–9 p.m. at 15701 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, MD 20866. Bring the flyer, mention BES, or use the promo code ZBVJETJ for online checkout. Please see the [attached flyer](#) for details.

★ **PTA Board Elections for the upcoming term** will take place during our **May 6 PTA Meeting**. To learn more about the available positions and nomination procedures, please visit www.burtonsvillepta.org/board-elections.

★ **BES Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week** begins May 5th! It's a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge and show gratitude for the hard work and dedication of the BES staff, who make a positive impact on the lives of all our students. For inspiration, please visit www.burtonsvillepta.org/staff-favorites.

★ **Cultural Night is Friday, May 16, from 5:00–7:00 p.m.** Come share your culture through fun facts, performances, music, and more! We're looking for volunteers to host a culture-themed table, perform, or help out at the event. To sign up and learn more, visit www.burtonsvillepta.org/event-details/cultural-night-2025. Please RSVP by Friday, May 9.

MCPS News...

Montgomery County Schools - [THINGS TO KNOW](#)

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD! YOUR OPINION MATTERS! - Parents or guardians of children receiving **special education and related services** were previously mailed the **Maryland Special Education Parent Involvement Survey from the Maryland State Department of Education**, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services ([information flyer](#)).

Parents are asked to **complete the survey** and return it in the postage-paid envelope by **May 30, 2025**. The survey may also be completed **online**. Please look for details in your survey packet. Your feedback will help guide efforts to improve special education and related services in your local school system. Your voice can make a real difference for your child and many other children across the state of Maryland. To learn more, please visit <https://www.mdparentsurvey.com>.

Transportation: [MCPS Department of Transportation](#) | West Farm Upper Bus Depot: 240-740-7361 | Transportation Updates: [Route Status](#) | BES Bus Routes: [Arrival](#) | [Departure](#)

Food & Nutrition: - School menus are available on **MealViewer** - [here](#).

Yours in Service,

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