## **BODKIN BANNER**

MARCH 2023



Dear Bodkin families.

Can you believe March is already here? Parent/Teacher Conferences are this week, Thursday and Friday, March 2 and 3. Our teachers are always available if you want to meet about your child's progress. Students have been working hard to set learning goals and reflect on their progress so far. We are so proud of the gains that students have made and looking forward to our next 70 days to see even more. Thanks to all our families for helping students get 30 minutes each week on i-ready in both Reading and Math. I am competitive and really need to beat Lake Shore. Just kidding, I am just happy students are working hard to grow as readers and mathematicians. We will know next week who wins. The students are very excited about me getting pied. I hope I do when we win.

We are halfway through the 3rd marking period. Check in on Powerschool Parent Portal to see your child's grades. A county email will be sent to remind you that it is interim time. The end of marking period comes with assessments; Grades 2-5 will be taking reading and math skills assessments. Grades 3-5 will also be assessed on social studies and science standards. Fifth grade takes MISA at the end of the month. Keep your eye out for our The First in Math March Madness challenge.

As always, thanks to our PTA for their support. Try to stop by for our PTA meeting, Tuesday, March 14 at 7 pm. They are planning so many things to end this amazing year. We are looking forward to our Daddy/Daughter Dance on March 24. Memories are always being made at Bodkin!

As always, communication is key, and we are always available. Never hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns.

Mrs. Bonnie Myers, Principal



March Lunch Menu





### NEXT MONTH

4/3-4/10-**Schools** closed for **Spring** Break

4/11-Return from break & PTA Meeting

4/15-Gr. 5 Chorus sings at Baysox game

4/21-Schools closed for Fid al-Fitr

4/25-Spring Outdoor Cleanup 5-6pm

4/27-Dance Recital @ CHS

4/28-Fun Run

### Office Hours 7:15am-3:15pm



Bodkin, a treasure by the bay





## MARCH





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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M 2:30-4:00
Mad About Math
x
Th 2:30-3:45

# Calendar 3/2 Two Hour Late Arrival link 3/3, 3/29, 3/30, 3/31 Two Hour Early Dismissal

## **AACPS** MARCH DATES TO REMEMBER

3/2 Two Hour Late Arrival



### **LOST & FOUND**

We have many hats, gloves, coats, jackets, etc. in our Lost & Found box. If you are missing something, feel free to stop by and check our Lost & Found box next time you are at school.

### PICK UP/EARLY DISMISSAL

If someone other than the parent or legal guardian is going to pick up a student, please send in a note with the full name of the person picking up the student. We need permission to release a student.

### **CANDY WRAPPERS**

Please save your Valentines candy wrappers. We have another Trick or Trash box in the lobby where we can recycle them. This helps prevent the candy wrappers from going into a landfill and they can be reused. With our last collection, we donated 5.25 lbs. of candy wrappers. Way to go Bodkin!

### KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

Our Kids Heart Challenge Fundraiser was a huge success. Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade participants raised \$15,183.90 for the American Heart Association. Thanks to everyone who helped make a difference. All the money raised will help with heart research, technology and will help save lives. Congratulations to our top fundraisers, you rock!

3rd Grade: Chesnie Z., Chase B. Hannah S., Owen F.

4th Grade: Weston W., Brynn B., Maya C.

5th Grade: Lila N., Pearce S., Olivia P., Westin H.

Our top classes were:

3rd Grade - Regan \$1789.54

4th Grade - Kirby \$2466.74

5th Grade – Turcotte \$971.66



The top class in each grade level earned an extra PE class with Mrs. Corey and the top fundraiser participants will have a pizza party lunch bunch with Mrs. Corey and Mrs. Myers (TBA).

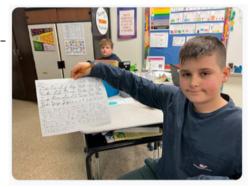
# Highlights

We can have fun, learn about our hearts, and save lives with the Kids Heart Challenge! Special thanks to Mrs. Corey for coordinating this event, including fun stations of partner jumping, twirl &

jump, and long jump rope!



The Art of Cursive Writing that's what students got to practice during Genius Hour!





Spreading kindness and love to patients in the cancer and pediatric units at the University of MD Hospital – cards and decorations by Bodkin students were used by nurses to decorate the hallways and given to patients to boost their spirits!

The 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders in our Mad About Math Club have been very busy these last few weeks. They've been adding and subtracting decimals, measuring lines and angles, using geometry to make a and learning about area map. perimeter to create Minecraft selfies.



























There were a lot of fun activities for the 100th Day of Pre-K, including making 100 Day Monsters with groups of tens – eyes, arms, legs, horns, and much more to add up to 100! "What would you buy if you had 100 dollars?" Pre-K students in Mrs. Hare's class had so many cute pictures and responses to that question.



We Love Mrs. Elsis! We appreciate her support of students, families, and staff!



Our dancers share beautiful smiles before their performances as 2nd & 3rd grade dancers and 4th & 5th grade dancers at the county 2023 42nd Annual Dance Festivals! Special thanks to Bodkin Dance Coaches, Mrs. Regan and Mrs. Urps.



Have you seen our tree in the main hallway? Students, staff, and parents have been writing why they love Bodkin on hearts and we are adding them to the tree. The responses have been so heartwarming from friends, to family, to teachers and staff and even more.

## What's Going On?



Grandparents and special friends are invited to visit students' classrooms on 3/31. We will be having two visiting sessions. More information will come with details. To make the sign in process go smoothly, we ask that visitors sign up prior to the event <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. As a reminder, students must have a note with permission from parents if grandparents will be taking students home from school.

### ART DISPLAY AT LIBRARY

For Youth Art Month, the Mountain Road Library is displaying a few Bodkin students' artwork! Our students work so hard and this is really just a fraction of the amazing artwork they do everyday. We hope you have a chance to stop by the library and check out the lovely pieces! They will be on display until March 23. Ms. Councill will be contacting parents soon to

let them know if their child has art on display at the library. If your student's work is displayed, he/she is invited to stop by for a reception on March 15 between 4:30 and 6:30pm. There will be refreshments and Ms. Councill will be there to present a certificate.



Dr. Beasley would like to share some of her students' writing. See their work here.





Charlie F. Grade 5



Jonah J. Grade 5



The Fort Smallwood Elementary School PTA is hosting Shannon Pugh, Ed.D., AACPS Director of Community and School Programming, on Wednesday March 8<sup>th</sup> to present information about the Blueprint for Maryland's Future legislation. We're inviting our cluster friends to join us to learn more about this important initiative and discuss how it will impact our students and schools.

### **Event details:**

- Date: Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> 2023
- Time: 6:30 7:30pm

BLUEPRINT

- Location: Fort Smallwood Elementary School (1720 Poplar Ridge Rd, Pasadena, 21122)
- Special instructions: PTA members and other caregivers only, please.
   No children or students

# What is the Blueprint?

The Blueprint for Maryland's
Future was passed by the
Maryland General Assembly in
2021 to transform public
education in the state into a
world-class education system.
The Blueprint will increase
education funding by \$3.8 billion

education funding by \$3.8 billion each year over the next 10 years, enrich student experiences and accelerate student outcomes, as well as improve the quality of education for all children in Maryland, especially those who have been historically underserved.

# Why should you care?

The Blueprint is important for elementary school families - focused on improving early childhood education, college + career resources, new programs and more resources to ensure all students are successful.

# How can you learn more?

Come to the meeting! We're requesting RSVPs to help us figure out the best space to hold in the meeting. RSVPs aren't required but they will be helpful for planning!

**RSVP** here

To learn more, visit:

https://blueprint.marylandpu blicschools.org

## **SPRING & CLASS PICTURES MARCH 8, 2023**



https://classic-photo.com/

Click Schools then **Pre-Order Now** 

Access Key: bodkin23

## **ONLINE ONLY** Specials



## Backgrounds

Choose multiple background options on print packages and products at no additional cost.





## **SAVE THE DATE**



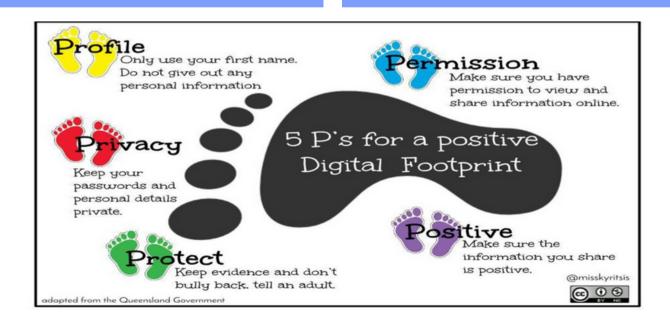
## **Rumor Meal Fundraiser** March 29

Stop by or order from Rumor Meal between 4 and 9. Proceeds will go toward our 5th Grade Promotion.



### 2nd Annual Bodkin's Got **Talent Show**

On May 11th, our talented students will show off their skills.



## OFFICE NEWS

### **OUT-OF-AREA TRANSFERS**

Bodkin is currently a closed school so we are unable to approve new Out-of-Area requests. Continuation requests should be submitted to Mrs. Myers **between March 1 and May 1**. After May 1, they must be sent directly to Central Office with a valid reason for being late. An Out-of-Area transfer is a request for a student residing in Anne Arundel County to attend a school within the county other than the assigned boundary school (often referred to as a student's home school). If a child already attends Bodkin as an Out-of-Area approved student, the application must be completed and submitted each school year. The continuation of a previous year's out-of-area is not automatic, and the application must be submitted to the school during the out-of-area application window. Please visit <a href="https://www.aacps.org/outofarea">https://www.aacps.org/outofarea</a> for more information.

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### KINDERGARTEN & PRE-K FOUR

Registration is for incoming kindergarten students who will be five years old by September 1, 2023. The online Registration Portal opens for Kindergarten on April 12. Required documents for registration are, birth certificate, immunization records, and two proofs of residency. Please call Bodkin with questions or if you need assistance.

Pre-K Four applications will be starting on May 2. Those students will need to be four years old by September 1, 2023. For more information, please visit the <u>AACPS Early Childhood site</u> or call Bodkin.

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### PBIS NEWS

Reflection sheets are a chance to pause and make a plan for the next time a situation happens at school. They are not intended to be disciplinary! They give the student a chance to reflect with not only themselves, but their teacher and their family.

At Bodkin, we use reflection sheet data to look for problem areas and reflect on solutions as a school. Please continue the conversation at home if you see a reflection sheet come through. Thank you for your continued support!



# Green School

### **CLOTHING TO CASH**

In January, Bodkin Elementary School collected 2,368 lbs. of clothing and shoes in our Clothing to Cash bin. That means our school received \$283.60 from your donations! **We were the first place winners!!** Thank you for your donations!

The donation bin is located to the left of the school (when looking at the school) near the track. It's an easy stop when leaving the parking lot. Can we collect the most in March?

Congratulations to the following AACPS schools for the month of January!!

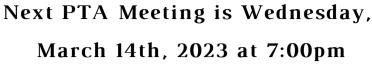
1st Place	<b>Bodkin Elementary School</b>	2,368.0 lbs.	<b>\$100</b> Bonus	Total Check \$336.80
2nd Place	Belvedere Elementary School	1,967.0 lbs.	\$50 Bonus	Total Check \$246.70
3rd Place	Pasadena Elementary School	1,892.0 lbs.	\$25 Bonus	Total Check \$214.20

We are about \$2,000 away from being able to create an "Outdoor Classroom" with shade, seating, and a white board.

If any families have connections to people in the shade/sun-guard business, please let us know. We've only received one quote and we are looking for more. Below is a little glimpse of something we had in mind. Our project will be on a smaller scale. Please keep your textile donations coming- you are totally rocking it! Thank you!



# DTA News







FACEBOOK - facebook/BODKIN ELEMENTARY PTA

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

3/24-Daddy Daughter Dance 4/28-Fun Run 5/6-Environmental Fair

OLUNTEERS NEEDED

oin The PTA Board:

### **WE WANT YOU!**

The PTA is looking for our next President and Vice President II. If you are interested in either of these positions please email Leah McCullough at BodkinPTAPresident@gmail.com. Voting for these positions will be held at our May 2023 PTA meeting.

### PTA MEMBERSHIPS

If you haven't had a chance to sign up for the PTA it's not too late. Visit the Cheddar Up Store to become a member and help support all of the fun events! <a href="https://bodkin-pta-2022-2023.cheddarup.com">https://bodkin-pta-2022-2023.cheddarup.com</a>

Join

### ONGOING WAYS TO HELP

Harris Teeter

When you shop at Harris Teeter, let them know you support Bodkin. Go to the customer service desk with your VIP card and have them put Bodkin PTA on your card. We'll earn \$ every time you purchase HT brand items!

Box Tops/Coke Rewards

Box Tops is digital! Please make sure to download the boxtops4education app for a super easy way to earn \$ for the PTA. Simply sign up for Bodkin, scan your store receipts, and you're done! No clipping or sending them in to school. Each time you scan a receipt, Bodkin can be entered in a drawing to win \$500. Don't forget to send in those Coke Codes too! If you would like to help scan codes, contact Jenna Burns at Bodkinboxtops@gmail.com.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

Our fall clean up will be on April 25 from 5-6pm. We hope that the staff, students and their families will come out to help at this event. Many hands make light work! If you cannot attend we also accept donations <u>here</u>. Donations are used to pay our landscape company for tasks that we are not able to accomplish ourselves like providing and spreading mulch and the use of heavy equipment.



FAIR NEWS

NEWS UPDATE

### **ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR**

Our 2023 Environmental Fair is coming up on May 6, 2023 from 10am-1pm. If you would like to help with setup or on the day of the event, please contact Jen Aiken at jenniferdurkin@hotmail.com.

We will be collecting
"hard to recycle items" bread tags, corks,
batteries, (please tape
the ends) & candy
wrappers!



Please start collecting these items and plan to bring them to the Environmental Fair for drop off on May 6th.

They will be properly & responsibly recycled to keep them out of landfills!



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH





### YEARBOOK ORDERS 2022-2023 yearbooks are on sale NOW!

### www.buytheyearbook.com School ID: 710566

2022-23 Basic Yearbook: \$21 Hard Cover up-grade: +\$5.25 Cover Personalization: +\$6.30 1/8 Page Student Ad: +\$12.00 Shout-Out Message: +\$5.25

Deadline to order is FRIDAY, MARCH 31!

Do you have photos from ANY Bodkin events that you would like to share for the yearbook?? You can upload them to the event photo album on the Bodkin PTA Facebook page or email them to bodkinyearbook@gmail.com. Any questions, contact Lindsey Aburn via email: bodkinyearbook@gmail.com

## 8TH ANNUAL FUN COLOR RUN

The kids look forward to this event each year and as always we are working hard to make it memorable! The Fun Run will be held at Bodkin Elementary during school hours on Friday, April 28, 2023. To donate to your amazing, talented student, please visit

https://bodkin.myfunrun.com.

Keep an eye out for permission slips to come home. Permission slips are due by Friday, March 31st

If you are interested in volunteering please reach out to Bodkincolorrun@gmail.com or sign up here. All volunteers must have a background check. Please current contact the school jmburns1@aacps.org to confirm that your background check is up to date.

### HERSHEYPARK DISCOUNT TICKETS

Warm weather is right around the corner and we can smell the chocolate! The Bodkin PTA is selling DISCOUNTED Hersheypark tickets this year and they are better than ever! Hersheypark is now offering discounted parking! Make sure to order your tickets through CheddarUp on this <u>link</u>. Please contact Amanda Camhi at aecamhi@gmail.com with any questions.

- -Gate prices this year will be \$85.80, but you can get them through us for as low as \$40!!! Depending on which ticket you get, it's a 48-53% discount! Tickets can only be used once.
- ADD-ON Discount Meal Tickets to your order @ \$15.00 each Pre-purchase and save \$1.85 of the regular price! Meal ticket is valid at select locations and includes one entree, one side, and a fountain beverage. (Select locations only Please see Hersheypark.com for more details)
- -Pre-paid Parking Voucher NEW OPTION!!! Take advantage of the \$5 savings for the day on parking! TICKET SALES END 3/27/23. Once tickets arrive at Bodkin (late April/early May), you will be contacted for pick-up information. Please be prepared to pick up from PTA at a date and location TBD. Ticket pick-up will be communicated via email at a later date. Tickets WILL NOT be sent home with students due to value. Share with friends and family!



### **Bodkin Elementary PTA**

To order DISCOUNT tickets for 2023, complete this form with payment and return to school, ATTN: Hershey Park Tickets by: March 27, 2023

Please submit with check payable to: Bodkin PTA or via CheddarUp <a href="https://hershey-park-2023-tickets.cheddarup.com">https://hershey-park-2023-tickets.cheddarup.com</a>

(Returned checks will not receive tickets until payment is received)

Parent Name:	Phone:	Email:
Student Name:	Teacher/Grade:	

TOTAL

Туре	Gate Price	YOUR Price	Quantity	TOTAL
Hersheypark Admission Early Season (Valid thru 6/30/23) (ages 3 & up)	\$85.80	\$40.00		\$
Hersheypark Admission Summer ( <u>Valid thru 9/10/23</u> ) (ages 3 & up)	\$85.80	\$42.00		\$
Hersheypark Admission All Year (Valid thru 1/1/24) (ages 3 & up)	\$85.80	\$45.00		\$
Parking Pass	\$25.00	\$20.00		\$
Single-Use Meal Deal		\$15.00		\$
All Day Drink Plan		\$22.00		\$
All Day Dining Plan ( <b>Valid thru 9/10/23</b> )		\$39.00		\$
Make checks payable to Bodkin PTA GRAND				¢

Order and Pay Online -

MUST be received by 3/27/2023.

Ticket pickup will be communicated via email at a later date. Tickets WILL NOT be sent home with students due to the value.

All proceeds will be used to reduce or cover the cost of 2023-2024 student

Ticket orders and money

Contact Amanda Camhi at aecamhi@qmail.com

planners.

# 2022-2023

**BODKIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** 

# WEARBOW SALE!!

**DEADLINE to order: FRIDAY, MARCH 31** 

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

Use the web address & school ID below

www.buytheyearbook.com
School ID: 710566

QUESTIONS? CONTACT LINDSEY ABURN BODKINYEARBOOK@GMAIL.COM

### **Bodkin Elementary School PTA**



8320 Ventnor Road Lake Shore, MD 21122 (410) 437-0464

February 8, 2023

Dear Friend of Bodkin Elementary PTA,

Our school is holding a Fun Run COLOR RUN on April 28, 2023 to raise money to support classroom instructions. We're asking our community and local businesses to get involved and support our school.

This year, approximately 530 students will be running in the Fun Run to support Bodkin Elementary. The funds raised will be used to support classroom instruction.

The estimated goal of our fundraiser is \$25,000. To help achieve our goal we are asking for support from local businesses in the form of monetary donations.

In addition to grateful hearts, here is what you can expect with your donation:

- Businesses that donate \$200 will have their logo printed on the back of our Bodkin FUN RUN t- shirt. Our students will wear these shirts during the Fun Run and throughout the year.
- Businesses that donate \$250 will have their logo printed on our t-shirt as well as their logo and a live link to your website on our main Bodkin Fun Run Website. This site received a LOT of traffic last year, and it is an effective way to get your business name seen by many.

We invite you to join us in this wonderful fundraiser by supporting Bodkin Elementary with your donation. In return, we would like to send you two complimentary Fun Run t-shirts as our way of saying "Thank you" for your support.

Please feel free to email me at BodkinColorRun@gmail.com if you have any questions or need more details about the event.

The Fun Run is a wonderful opportunity to bring the community together and to support each other. Thank you for taking the time to consider supporting us, and thank you in advance for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Jenn Victor & Lena Kaba Bodkin Elementary PTA – Co-Chair, Fun Run





February 3, 2023

Dear Parents.

Bodkin Elementary School will be holding a fundraising campaign that will culminate with students participating in the 8th Annual Fun Color Run on April 28, 2023. All funds raised will go towards our school.

This is an important fundraiser for our school and we need your help to make this campaign a success!

Your child has been given his/her own personal fundraising webpage. Simply go to the website http://www.bodkin.myfunrun.com, click on donate, then enter your child's first or last name (or participant number).

To raise money, share your child's personal fundraising webpage address with family and friends around the world by email, Facebook, Twitter, or any other method you prefer. You can also share your child's webpage easily by clicking on one of the "Share" icons at the top right of your child's personal fundraising webpage.

People with whom to share your child's personal fundraising page:

· Family members

· Educators

Friends

Neighbors

Colleagues

Etc...

## Every child who turns in a permission form will run in the fun run! Participating in the fundraiser is optional!

Many of you can help your children reach their goal with just a few emails. Don't forget to sponsor your child yourself now, as that will start them off to reaching their goal!

The school, teachers, and parent volunteers are all working hard to make this campaign a success and improve our school. Please take just a few minutes to do your part by encouraging and facilitating your child's fundraising efforts. All color powder used in the Fun Run Color Run is FDA approved.

The Fun Run Color Run promotes a healthy message and teaches our children the importance of health, fitness and giving.

The Fun Run Color Run Committee



# Bodkin Fun Run

T-SHIRT ORDERS \$20.00 EACH

ORDER FORMS/PAYMENT DUE BY FRIDAY, MARCH 24TH

Teacher			_Grade	
		Size/Quantity	y	
	YS	YM	YL	YXL
Youth Sizes				
	S	M	L	XL
Adult Sizes				

Total Due

## Neus & Eve Community

Library Events

### Severna Park Library 3/8 Early Reader Book Club 4:00pm-5:00pm

Children in K-2 can practice their reading skills through group reading, activities and games based on popular beginner reader books. Each session will focus on a different theme. Please register.

### Severna Park Library 3/15 Pi Day Celebration 4:00pm-5:00pm

Discover and celebrate a special number called pi through a bunch of fun activities! Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Mountain Road Library** 3/17 American Red Cross Blood Drive 10:00am-3:00pm

Basic requirements for donating blood: general good health; 17 to 75 years of age (16 with written parental consent); and a weight of at least 110 pounds. Walk-in or call the American Red Cross at 1.800.733.2767 to schedule an appointment.

### **Riviera Beach Library** 3/18 Lego Create Challenge 11:30am-12:30pm

Test your creative problem solving skills by solving our monthly challenges. Have the chance to have your finished work displayed at the Riviera Beach branch!

### Severna Park Library 3/25 Girl Power Hour 11:00am-12:00pm

Who run the world? Girls! Celebrate girl power with stories and activities.



CAC Summer Camps on sale NOW

### Join Cub Scouts



All children in grades K through 5 are welcome to join. We have lots of fun planned throughout the year and meet right across the street from Bodkin! Contact us today at:

recruiter@mdpack412.org.

## **Join Girl Scouts**

Troop 04278 has just started and is looking for Daisies (K, 1) and Brownies (2, 3) to join. For information, contact Anne Pokrifka at girlscouttroop04278@gmail.com or 412-952-7466





Earleigh Heights Volunteer Fire Department 161 Ritchie Hwy. Severna Park, MD 21146

Tickets \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door Doors open at 6:30pm Games begin at 7:30pm

Food, Drinks, Bake Sale, Raffles, Specials, Pull tabs MORE available for purchase

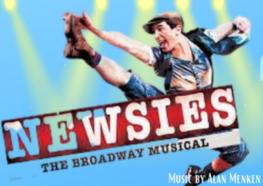
You can use OR to purchase tickets



CHS Class of 2024 Fundraiser

- 3/10/23 7 PM
- 3/11/23 2 PM & 7 PM
- 3/17/23 7 PM
- 3/18/23 2 PM & 7 PM

Chesapeake High School Auditorium 4798 Mountain Rd, Pasadena, MD 21122



Tickets: \$10 students. seniors and AACPS staff \$15 adults

BASED ON THE DISNEY FILM WRITTEN BY BOB TZUDIKER AND NONI WHITE ORIGINALLY PRODUCED ON BROADWAY BY DISNEY THEATRICAL PRODUCTIONS









Looking for volunteers from user groups to help clean up our athletic facilities and community parks in District 3!

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SPECIALS, DOOR PRIZES, 50/50, PULL TABS, DANE SEA RAFFLE BASKETS (\$200 MINIMUM), DOOR PRIZES FOOD AND ALCOHOL WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FIND US ON FACEBOO

## Arlington Echo is hiring





Mt. Carmel

ALL INTERESTED AND QUALIFIED

CANDIDATES CAN EMAIL DAWN M. REY AT

MTCARMELCDC2@GMAIL.COM



8:00 am-12:45 pm 60 Robinson Road

### Registration opens January 23

#### Registration is required for this event.

Candidates interested in attending must also complete the AACPS online employment application.

For more information and to register, please visit our website at www.aacps.org/teacherjobfair or email samckenzie@aacps.org.



AACPS is committed to developing a workforce that reflects the diversity of the students we serve. Join us at our upcoming job fair where you will have an opportunity to interview with principals for possible openings for the 2023-2024 school year and learn more about AACPS programs and initiatives.







Candidates invited to attend this job fair include:

- Professionally certified educators\*
- Licensed Speech Language Pathologists
- Candidates with a bachelor's degree interested in pursuing a career in teaching
- Licensed Trades professionals (i.e. plumbing, electric, mechanical, HVAC, etc.) interested in teaching a trade

### Diverse Educators are strongly encouraged to attend!

Please note that some Student Services positions (i.e. School Counselor, School Psychologist, Occupational/Psysical Therapist, Social Worker, Pupe Personnel Worker, etc.) have a separate interview processes and are not eligible to attend this event.



## VIRTUAL SUPPORT FOR ELEMENTARY MATH

### AACPS Elementary Math Virtual Family Support is back!

Join us with questions about Pre-K through grade 5 math concepts or in search of help understanding current problem-solving teaching/techniques.

Who? Parents, guardians, or other adults who help students learn

When? On Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (First session begins Tuesday, February 28th)

Where? Live Google Meets (See links below) with AACPS math teachers

\*English and Spanish support is available



Please use the Google Meet links below where a math teacher tutor will provide a visual response with support.

Primary (Pre-K - 2nd Grade) Click <u>HERE</u>

Intermediate (3rd -5th Grade) Click HERE



# Report

### 6 Ways to Help Kids Overcome Math Anxiety

Inspiring a love for math can open up a world of opportunities for kids. Yet, for many, math can lead to feelings of stress and anxiety. Math anxiety can affect anyone. Research shows a strong negative relationship between math anxiety and achievement. It can create a vicious circle: If kids perform poorly, they might become anxious—and that anxiety can lead to poor performance. Here are six ways to help reduce math anxiety.

### 1. Foster a Positive Attitude

Parents' math anxiety can influence children's attitudes. Many adults still believe math myths—like that someone is a "math person" or not. Kids need to hear that math is for everyone.

### 2. Make Math Relevant

Use the 5E (Engage, Explore, Explain, Elaborate, Evaluate) lesson model at home to engage kids in hands-on learning and real-world tasks.

### 3. Set High Expectations

Challenging kids helps them develop strong problem-solving skills. When students work through difficult problems, they engage in productive struggle and develop grit.

### 4. Create a Safe Environment for Learning

Making mistakes is part of learning. Getting the wrong answer doesn't mean your child can't solve the problem; it just means they haven't solved the problem yet. While learning math, children should feel comfortable enough to take risks and share their approaches

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to problem-solving. They'll see mistakes as opportunities to learn and feel more comfortable persisting in the struggle.

### 5. Use Positive Language

Negative language can fuel self-doubt and contribute to burnout. Suggesting positive alternatives can help students change the way they think about math. Instead of "I'm bad at this," say "I can improve." Or instead of "This is too hard for me." try "Learning takes time."

### 6. Write It Out

Research shows that kids who write out or discuss math anxiety tend to do better on tests. Asking your child to write out their thoughts and ideas—expressing both their intellectual and emotional reactions to math content—can help them reflect on their comprehension, engagement, and feelings about a lesson. Soon, they will see more choices in how they respond to difficulties.

When students take control of their anxiety, they can focus more on the math and less on their worries about math. They can begin to see moments of struggle as fruitful learning opportunities, rather than sources of stress.

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### Informe a los PADRES

Inspirar amor por las matemáticas puede abrir un mundo de oportunidades para los niños. Sin embargo, para muchos, las matemáticas pueden conducir a sentimientos de estrés y ansiedad. La ansiedad por las matemáticas puede afectar a cualquier persona. Las investigaciones muestran una fuerte relación negativa entre la ansiedad por las matemáticas y los logros. Puede crear un círculo vicioso: Si los niños no rinden bien, podrían sentirse ansiosos, y esa ansiedad puede conducir a un rendimiento deficiente. Estas son seis formas de

## ayudar a reducir la ansiedad por las matemáticas. 1. Fomente una actitud positiva

La ansiedad por las matemáticas de los padres puede influir en las actitudes de los niños. Muchos adultos siguen creyendo en los mitos respecto a las matemáticas, como que alguien es o no una "persona de matemáticas". Los niños necesitan escuchar que las matemáticas son para todos.

### 2. Haga que las matemáticas sean relevantes

Use el modelo de la lección 5E (Participar, explorar, explicar, elaborar, evaluar) en casa para involucrar a los niños en tareas prácticas de aprendizaje y del mundo real.

### 3. Establezca expectativas altas

Desafiar a los niños les ayuda a desarrollar habilidades sólidas para resolver problemas. Cuando los estudiantes se enfrentan a problemas difíciles, se enfrentan a una lucha productiva y desarrollan determinación.

### 4. Cree un entorno seguro para el aprendizaje

Cometer errores es parte del aprendizaje. Obtener una respuesta incorrecta no significa que su hijo no pueda resolver el problema; solo significa que aún no lo ha resuelto. Mientras aprenden matemáticas.

### Seis formas de ayudar a los niños a superar la ansiedad por las matemáticas



los niños deben sentirse lo suficientemente cómodos como para asumir riesgos y compartir sus enfoques para resolver problemas. Verán los errores como oportunidades para aprender y se sentirán más cómodos persistiendo en la lucha.

### 5. Use lenguaje positivo

El lenguaje negativo puede impulsar la auto-duda y contribuir al agotamiento. Sugerir alternativas positivas puede ayudar a los estudiantes a cambiar su forma de pensar sobre las matemáticas. En lugar de "Soy malo en esto", diga "Puedo mejorar". O en lugar de "Esto es demasiado difícil para mi", pruebe con "Aprender lleva tiempo".

#### 6. Escríbalo

Las investigaciones evidencian que los niños que escriben o hablan sobre la ansiedad por las matemáticas tienden a rendir mejor en las pruebas. Pedir a su hijo que escriba sus pensamientos e ideas, al expresar sus reacciones intelectuales y emocionales sobre el contenido matemático, puede ayudarle a reflexionar sobre su comprensión, compromiso y sentimientos en una lección. Verán pronto más opciones en cuanto a cómo responder a las dificultades.

Cuando los estudiantes controlan su ansiedad, pueden enfocarse más en las matemáticas y menos en sus preocupaciones por las matemáticas. Pueden empezar a ver momentos de lucha como oportunidades de aprendizaje fructiferas, en lugar de fuentes de estrés.

