



# General News



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### From the Principal

The month of September went by quickly and our students, families, and staff are off to a great start. I enjoyed seeing many of you at our live *Back to School Night* event. I appreciate the amount of effort and care that everyone has shown as we continue our distance learning journey. I have seen many examples of grit and resilience by our students, staff, and parents. Keep up the great work!

I encourage parents to sign up for a conference on October 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>. You have become integral members of our extended staff and your feedback on your child's progress is valued. Look for the email coming out today with links to sign up.

Sincerely,

Christopher Wooleyhand, Ph.D.

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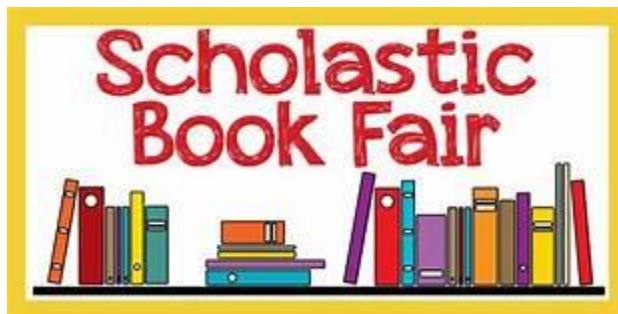
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<https://www.aacps.org/Page/4838>

## Book Fair




Our fall PTA Book Fair continues online through October 7<sup>th</sup>.  
Please use the link below to shop!

### Book Fair Link



# COUNSELORS CORNER



Pershing Hill Elementary School Counseling Department

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING  
PRACTICAL WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR  
CHILD THROUGH VIRTUAL LEARNING?

**Join us for Coffee  
with the  
Counselors**

*Thursday, October 8th at 9am*

**Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.**

[Google Meet Link](#)

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## **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for **Monday and Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. – 3:20 p.m.** Look for an email to parents with the Sign-Up Genius links. All conferences will be hosted through Google Meet.




# First In Math Challenge!

## October First In Math Challenge

Have your child log into Classlink then find the FIM app.

Classes will race to get the highest sticker count. For every 25 stickers a class receives, they earn a pumpkin in their wagon. The class with the most pumpkins at the end of the month wins for their grade! There will be weekly shout-outs posted in Google Classrooms and certificates will be emailed to those winners!



## Chromebook Care

### AACPS | Taking Care Of Your Chromebook

Students and parents/guardians are responsible for the general care of the device they have been issued. Anne Arundel County Public Schools has issued Chromebooks in order to support access to virtual learning. When a Chromebook becomes damaged, that learning is interrupted, so please take care of your Chromebook as you would take care of your gaming station or cell phone. For resources and help using your Chromebook, please visit AACPS Virtual Learning Information [www.aacps.org/virtualllearning](http://www.aacps.org/virtualllearning).



Protect your password. Do not share your password or account information.



Keep all food and drinks away from your device.



Be careful when inserting and removing cords, cables, and external devices.



Do not place foreign objects into your Chromebook.

### Transporting your Chromebook

Always carry and transport your Chromebook with care. The screen is delicate and can crack easily. Always be sure the lid is completely closed and secured before moving your Chromebook.



Never move a device by lifting from the screen.



Be certain all objects are out of the way before closing the screen.



Be careful when carrying the device in a case or backpack. Notebooks, books, writing utensils, earbuds, etc. may put too much pressure and weight on the Chromebook screen. Small items may slip between the screen and keyboard.

### Screen Care

Your Chromebook screen can easily be damaged! Excessive pressure can break the screen.



Do not lean or place anything on the top of the device that could put pressure on the screen.



Do not store the device with the screen in the open position.



Do not poke the screen with anything that will mark or scratch the screen surface. Only use your clean finger.



Do not place anything on the keyboard before closing the lid (e.g. pens, pencils, etc.).



Do not use any liquid to clean the screen—use a soft dry microfiber cloth or anti-static cloth.

**In Case of a Spill**  
If a liquid spills into the Chromebook, **unplug it immediately**. Do not plug back in until it is thoroughly dry.

**If your Chromebook is not working, contact your school or email [ChromebookIssues@aacps.org](mailto:ChromebookIssues@aacps.org).**

Online donations to Harvest for the Hungry can be made at:

[www.aacps.org/harvest](http://www.aacps.org/harvest)



**2020 Harvest for the Hungry**

**GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE**

**October 1st – November 25th**  
*Together we can unite to fight hunger in Anne Arundel County!*

**#AllMeansAll #WeAreBetterTogether**

- ▶ Food insecurity impacts a child's ability to learn
- ▶ Every dollar collected is equivalent to 8 pounds of food
- ▶ COVID-19 increased the number of needy families in our community
- ▶ 1 in 8 families in Anne Arundel County struggle with food insecurity

Your monetary donation will make a difference for families throughout our schools & community.  
To donate go to: [www.aacps.org/harvest](http://www.aacps.org/harvest)  
*Proceeds benefit the Anne Arundel County Food & Resource Bank*

**Kids Helping Kids**  
Virtual Campaign

## Pershing Hill Elementary School



### Spirit Week

The Students at PHEŠ are participating in a virtual food drive. All donations will go directly to our local Anne Arundel County Food Bank!

To donate, please visit [www.aacps.org/harvest](http://www.aacps.org/harvest)

Together, we can unite to fight hunger in Anne Arundel County!

#### 10.26.20 Pajama Day Monday

Continue the weekend, by rocking your favorite pajamas!

#### 10.27.20 Team Tuesday!

Wear your favorite sports team gear!

#### 10.28.20 Wacky Wednesday!

Time to get silly! Wear your silliest outfit, hair, or even socks!

#### 10.29.20 Superhero Thursday!

Who is your hero? Show us, by dressing up!

#### 10.30.20 Purple Up Friday!

Show your school spirit and rock your school colors or a PHEŠ shirt!

Don't forget to Tweet a picture of your participation!

@PershingHillES #PHEŠpride



## PHES October 2020 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<a href="#">Book Fair</a> through 10/07/20	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Interims home	10
11	12 Parent/Teacher Conferences- schools closed for students	13 Parent/Teacher Conferences- schools closed for students	14	15	16	17
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