



# Solley Elementary



The Cardinal Connection  
December 2019

7608 Solley Road Glen Burnie, MD 21060 <b>Phone:</b> 410-222-6473 <b>Fax:</b> 410-222-6467	<b>School Hours</b> Gr. K-5: 9:35 a.m.-4:00 p.m. AM-Pre-K: 9:35 a.m.-12:10 p.m. PM-Pre-K: 1:25 p.m.– 4:00 p.m.	<b>Principal:</b> Shira Dowling <b>Assistant Principal:</b> Jamie Miller
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**Solley Elementary Mission Statement**  
 We believe ALL children are capable of success, NO EXCEPTIONS.

**Solley Elementary School Vision Statement**  
 We believe through positive collaboration among staff, students and parents we will evolve into an exemplary school community.

**Staff:** On-going team collaboration to foster instructional practices that support differentiation in a safe environment.

**Students:** Engage in active learning with others in a positive manner.

**\*Calendar of Events\***

**DECEMBER:**  
**2:** Vision & Hearing screening  
**5:** Unity Day & Early Dismissal at 2 PM  
**NO PM Pre-K**  
**3 - 9 PM—PTA Ice Skating**  
**9-13:** Book Fair  
**11:** McDonald's Night  
**12:** Chorus Concert 7 PM  
**19:** Winter Concert (Strings & Band)  
**Dec. 23—Jan. 1:** Winter Break—  
**NO SCHOOL**

**JANUARY:**  
**2:** Return to school  
**20:** Martin Luther King's B-day -  
**NO SCHOOL**  
**28 & 29:** Early Dismissal at 2PM—  
**NO PM Pre-K**  
**30:** Schools **CLOSED** for students

We are so thankful to everyone that supported our Boosterthon Fun Run. If all pledges are collected, Solley PTA will earn \$29,700. This money will be used to purchase additional Chromebooks and carts.

December is a busy time of year and the schoolhouse is no exception. Please see the "Dates to Remember" to join us at one of the many events in December.

As winter weather approaches, please discuss your early closing plan with your child to ensure he/she will know what to do in the event of an unscheduled closing. AACPS uses the Connect Ed telephone and email system to contact parents regarding emergency closings and delays. Be sure to keep our office staff informed of any changes to your contact information so that we have a current database which helps to ensure you receive these important updates.

The faculty and staff of Solley Elementary would like to wish all of our families a happy and healthy holiday season.

Sincerely,

*Shira L. Dowling*

*Jamie Miller*



**Dates to Remember:**

- December 2      Hearing and Vision Screening
- December 4      Chorus fieldtrip to Northeast High School
- December 5      Chorus fieldtrip to Senior Center
- December 9-13    Bookfair in the Solley Media Center
- December 11     McDonald's Night to benefit the Drama Club
- December 13     Interims are sent home
- December 19     Strings and Band Concert
- December 23 – January 1    Winter break – School and Office Closed

The following students  
received a  
Positive Referral!



A.Lucia \* H. Laro \* J. Covington \* K. Weiman \*  
L. Deavers \* A. Thaler \* M. Aguilar \* M. Gardner \*  
S. Bossom \* V. Akkurt \* R. Granger \* J. Majka \*  
M. Childress \* H. Wahle \* A. Schmidt \* I. Bell \*  
J. Zamot-Vasquez \* S. Snyder \* B. Wassink \*  
N. Clagg \* K. Bryant \* C. Smith \* K. Dillon \*  
J. Nixon-Hernandez \* R. Daley \* B. Reyes \*  
K. Blueford \* B. Wehberg \* Z. Bergum \*  
A.Laro \* N. Nicholls \* D. Weston \* A. Garlick \*  
S. Cowan \* E. Schmansky \* S. Saeed \*  
A.Addis \* A. Bhattarai \* J. Connelly \* A. Pierre \*  
A. Flye \* J. Detorio \* P. Kidwell \* A. Roth \*  
C. Spicer \* B. Lake \* J. Jones \* N. McBride \*  
O. Sines \* J. Stiles \* G. Vance \* K. Flanagan \*  
C. Graham \* C. Lear \*





# **THE SOLLEY STRING ENSEMBLE AND CONCERT BAND WINTER CONCERT THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>**

The Solley Elementary Instrumental Music Department  
is proud to present the annual Winter Concert on  
*Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019.*

**This concert will feature two separate performance times:**

**\*\*All String Ensemble students should report to the school  
at 5:45 p.m. for tuning\*\***

**The String Ensemble performance will begin at 6:00 p.m.**

**\*\*All Concert Band students should report to the School  
at 6:45 for tuning\*\***

**The Concert Band performance will begin at 7:00 p.m.**

**All students should wear the following:**

**Black/dark dress pants and white dress shirts for boys; black/dark dress or slacks  
and white blouse for girls. Ties and jackets are optional.**

If your child is a chorus student they can also wear their chorus shirt (either red or  
white).

Please feel free to email me if you have any questions concerning this concert;  
we decided to break the concert into two separate performance events to reduce the  
crowd size.

We look forward to seeing you for an evening of instrumental music to celebrate the  
Winter season and to showcase the talent of our young musicians.

Best,

Christopher Lerch  
Director of Instrumental Music  
Solley Elementary School  
410.222.6473



# Solley Information



## **School Hours: 9:35 AM - 4:00 PM**

Children should not arrive before **9:10 AM** as there is no adult supervision prior to the doors opening. Doors open for students at 9:10 AM. Breakfast is served in the cafeteria until 9:35 AM. Instruction begins promptly at **9:35 AM**.

Students arriving after 9:35 AM will be considered tardy.

## **Emergency Information:**

Please complete the emergency information form you received and return it to school as soon as possible. It is very important that we have this information on file for each student in the event of an emergency. It is imperative that you supply the school office with current contact information so that we can reach someone in the event that you cannot be reached in case of illness or injury to your child.

## **Visitors:**

All visitors during school hours are required by the Board of Education policy to report to the main office with their state issued ID every time you enter the school, so that you can be scanned into our Raptor system for a visitor badge in order to visit the building. The instructional program cannot be interrupted for a parent conference or visitation. Visitations to the classroom must be pre-arranged with the teacher at least 24 hours in advance.

## **Attendance:**

Regular attendance is imperative to the satisfactory accomplishment of studies. Every effort should be made to keep absences and tardiness to an absolute minimum.

## **Dismissal Procedures:**

For security purposes if your child is going home a different way than normal, **this must be provided in writing to your child's teacher as well as the main office**. Dismissal changes & early dismissals are not allowed after 3:45 PM. We understand that emergencies do arise and that they will occur. We feel it is in the best interest of all children to have a consistent daily routine.

## **School Rules:**

The Code of Student Conduct is the guide for our school rules, which include respect for the person and property of others; acceptance of specific school, class and teacher regulations; and compliance with reasonable requests of staff members.

We have 3 school-wide rules:

**RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, READY FOR LEARNING!**

### **Security Cameras:**

Solley Elementary School is equipped with a video camera system. It covers selected interior and exterior public portions of the building and grounds. It is NOT monitored constantly, but it is monitored during emergency situations.

During certain events, when the safety or security of students may be in question, authorized personnel from local, state, or federal police or fire emergency units may be given access to view images projected on the camera system.

If you have any questions about the system, you should call the Supervisor of School Security at 410-222-5083.

Solley Elementary is now on **Twitter!!**  
Follow us **@SolleyAACPS**

Get news and updates from our school and AACPS!

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# Health CORNER



## Meet Solley's Health Room Staff:

My name is Kimberly Pine, RN and I am the School Nurse at Solley as well as Riviera Beach Elementary School. The Health Room is staffed fulltime by myself (School Nurse) and a Health Assistant. The Health Room can be reached by phone at 410-222-6473 and my email is [Nurse2212@aacps.org](mailto:Nurse2212@aacps.org). The Health Room hours are from 8:15am — 4:15pm daily. Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions or concerns about your child's health care needs while in school.

## Helpful Hints for Parents:

- Please keep the Health Room up to date and informed about your child's medical condition or health concerns. It is very important that the Health Room is aware of all medical needs of our students, so we can properly care for them.
- Please keep your child home if they have had a fever (100.0 or above), vomiting, diarrhea or difficulty breathing in the past 24 hours. They must be fever free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school
- Keep emergency contact information up to date with the School and Health Room. Your listed emergency contact should be available to pick your child up from school for an illness or injury, if you are unavailable.
- The goal of the School Health Services team is to keep the students in class and ready to learn if they are healthy enough to be here. If your child is fever free and not vomiting or severely injured, we will do our best to return them to class as quickly as possible. We encourage self-care and are assisting the students to learn self-coping mechanisms before visiting the Health Room. Please talk with your child about the nature of Health Room visits and what they can do prior to visiting us. Often, taking a break, eating lunch or drinking water can help to resolve symptoms without a Health Room visit.
- If your child visits the Health Room, he/she will be assessed for an illness or injury. The health room staff will provide care based on the School Health Services First Aid Manual.
- Not all Health Room visits require a phone call home. Minor injuries and illness are easily treated in the Health Room with basic first aid and comfort measures, usually without the need to contact parents. We will make attempts to contact you if it deem necessary and we will leave messages if you are unavailable to answer the call. We will, also attempt to reach your emergency contacts if necessary.
- Please send your child in to school with a complete change of clothes (seasonally appropriate) to keep in their locker. **ACCIDENTS HAPPEN!** The health room does not supply clothes and you will be called to bring in a change of clothing for your child if needed.

## Medication:

Students are permitted to take medication at school **ONLY** when it is deemed medically necessary and only under the supervision of School Health Staff. A medication form titled:

Parent's Request to Administer Medication at School (PRAM) must be completed by a Parent/Guardian, a Physician and reviewed by the School Nurse prior to any medicine being administered in school. This applies for all medication, prescription as well as over the counter medication. **Medication and completed orders must be brought in to the Health Room by a Parent or Adult, to be reviewed by the health room staff.**

**Students are NOT permitted to transport medication to and from school and medication cannot be dropped off to a school staff member. Please call the HR to discuss the protocol if you suspect your child will need to have medication at school.**

## Illness: How do I know when to keep my child home from school?

Parents should keep their child home from school for a serious injury, illness or a condition that can be passed on to other students/staff of the school. Although no comprehensive list is possible, the following condition may be considered appropriate reasons to keep your child home from school:

- Temperature of 100 degrees or above. Children with a fever above 100 must stay home until they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- Vomiting, diarrhea or abdominal pain
- Earaches
- Head Injury
- Suspected fracture
- Chest pain
- Severe pain that is not resolved with Tylenol or Ibuprofen
- Severe Shortness of Breath, Wheezing or Asthma symptoms that do not resolve with medication
- Nuisance condition not currently being treated (Ringworm, Head Lice) ● Red, draining eyes
- Persistent runny nose with yellow/green discharge, accompanied by fever ●
- Undiagnosed RASH or skin condition

