



Solley Elementary



The Cardinal Connection
October 2019

7608 Solley Road Glen Burnie, MD 21060 Phone: 410-222-6473 Fax: 410-222-6467	School Hours 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.	Principal: Shira Dowling Assistant Principal: 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

October

- 7: Interims Go Home
- 8: Early Dismissal at 2 PM - NO PM Pre-K
- 9: No School - Yom Kipper
- 15 & 16: No School for students
Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 18: ****NEW DATE** for School Photos**
- 18: PTA Outdoor Movie Night
- 31: Halloween

November

- 7 & 8: Early Dismissal at 2 PM - NO PM Pre-K
- 18-22: American Education Week
- 20: Report card sent home
- 27-29: Thanksgiving Holiday - NO SCHOOL



The school meal prices for 2019-2020 are as follows:

- Breakfast: \$1.50**
- Lunch at elementary school: \$2.75**
- Milk – ½ pint, a la carte \$.55**

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Jodi Risse, Supervisor of Food and Nutrition Services at 410-222-5900

Dear Solley Families,

Thank you to everyone that came out to the PTA meeting and Back to School Nights. It is great to meet so many Solley Families. October will offer Solley Families several opportunities to come together. The PTA with assistance from Day Spring Presbyterian Church will be holding an outdoor Movie Night on October 18. We hope you will come out and enjoy. The Northeast Cluster will be holding their Annual Trunk or Treat at Northeast High School on October 12 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. We hope to see you at one of the many events in October.

On October 7, interims will be sent home. Not all students will receive interims. Please remember that Parent Portal provides real time updates on grades and assignments for students.

We will be holding the first of two parent teacher conferences on October 15 and 16. Conference letters will be coming home on Monday, October 7. Please be sure to return the bottom portion of the conference letter to confirm your conference date and time.

Solley has a long standing tradition of holding a Halloween parade. Students may wear their costumes to school on October 31. No costumes may be worn that include a weapon of any type. The parade will occur from 9:50 AM with classroom activities in the afternoon. Homeroom parents will be arranging snacks and activities for the festivities. We understand that not all families celebrate Halloween and may not want their students to participate in the activities. If you do not want your students participating in the parade or festivities, please send a note to the classroom teacher. The parade will occur around the outside of the back of the building. Students will start the parade by coming out the 5th grade doorway and around the back of the school and re-enter the building through the kindergarten classrooms. We will secure the location as much as possible as this is an outside event. Please also be advised that parents often take pictures during the parade as well. Please keep this in mind as you consider your students participation.

Due to limited space, only four volunteers will be permitted to assist with classroom festivities. Classroom teachers will provide names to the office for pre-registration. Please help us provide a secure school by only attending classroom festivities if chosen by the classroom teacher. Please do not plan to attend the classroom festivities without being pre-registered through the office to assist with the classroom party.

Mrs. Dowling
Principal



PARENT PACKET 2019-2020

IMPORTANT UPDATED SAFETY PROCEDURES*

1. ***WE HAVE A NEW SECURITY SYSTEM!*** In order to gain access to the school, ALL visitors must present a Driver's License or State issued ID to the main office, to be scanned into our new system. Previously scanned ID's will NOT carry over into this new system. Regardless of the reason for your visit or how many times you have visited the school, you MUST provide a photo ID to the office EVERY TIME YOU enter the school. *
2. ****ONLY CUSTODIAL PARENTS WILL BE ALLOWED TO SIGN A STUDENT OUT,**** In the case of an emergency or a change in dismissal plans; a custodial parent must provide written permission each time, to their child's teacher as well as the main office. We are not able to take these requests over the phone. For the safety of our child(ren), we encourage you to build a consistent dismissal plan with your child(ren) & their teacher to avoid mishaps. Dismissal changes should only happen in the case of an emergency and must be provided in writing to the teacher as well as the main office.

*** DISMISSAL CHANGES AND EARLY DISMISSALS ARE NOT ALLOWED AFTER 3:45 PM. please plan accordingly. ***
3. Classroom visits are not permitted unless arranged through the teacher 24 hours in advance.
4. **ALL medications** must go through the health room. Students are not allowed to carry any medication, including cough drops.
5. **Birthday snacks** must be store bought. No drinks, balloons, presents, goodie bags or other distracting items. Parents are not permitted to the classrooms for birthdays.
6. **NO PARKING IN THE BUS LOOP AT ANY TIME!** Parents should always park in the parking lot when dropping off or picking up their child.
7. Doors open at 9:10 AM for morning arrival. No child should be left unattended prior to 9:10 AM. Doors close at 9:35 AM. If arriving after the doors have closed; parents must sign their child into the office to receive a tardy slip.

WELCOME BACK!

2019-2020

School Hours

9:35 AM – 4:00 PM

Doors open at 9:10 AM

Back to School Night

PK – 2nd: Sept. 11 at 6:30 PM

3rd – 5th: Sept. 12 at 6:30 PM

REMINDER:

ALL PARENTS & VISITORS
ARE REQUIRED TO PRESENT
A PHOTO ID TO THE OFFICE

SOLLEY ELEMENTARY

7608 Solley Road
Glen Burnie, MD 21060

410-222-6473

Principal:

Mrs. Shira Dowling

Assistant Principal:

Mrs. Jamie Miller

Office Hours:

8-4:15

Registration Hours:

10-2



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.

A little birdie told me...

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

Get news and updates from our school and AACPS!

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HEALTHROOM

NEWS



As the beginning of the school year quickly approaches, we in the health room would like to offer some tips that will likely aid in making this school year successful and maximizing the amount of time that your child spends within the classroom setting.

Tip 1 – Please bring any prescribed or over the counter medications that you would like to be available to your child within the health room/school day to the health room along with a completed physician’s order.

Tip 2 – Please notify the health room staff of any medical needs that your child may experience.

Tip 3 – Please provide a change of season appropriate clothes for your child. These can be kept in a ziploc bag and can either be stored in their book bag or locker.

Tip 4 – Please take a moment to talk with your child about the importance of being present within the classroom. A discussion on ground rules for going to the health room may likely go a long way.

We are here to ensure that your children’s medical needs are treated and we want to do this in a manner that is as efficient and effective as possible in order to maximize the time spent within the classroom so that our students are present to learn. Our health room can get very hectic and that is why we ask for your help in communicating with our students how important it is to be present in class and to use the health room for necessary medical needs. Something as simple as keeping a change of clothes available to your child within the school day can make a huge difference in time spent in the classroom. Please know that our priority is your child’s safety and while there will likely be health room visits that you are not informed of, we work very hard to ensure that we get in contact with a parent of emergency contact person when your child presents with a medical need that needs to be communicated to a guardian. Please know that we are a phone call away and welcome any communication from you regarding your children’s medical needs.

Here’s to a healthy and happy school year.



The following students
received a
Positive Referral!



S. Rathbun * K. Langenstein *
I. Bell * J. Lin * C. Moore *
A. Sears * J. Manning *
S. LaPlanche * S. Solanky *
L. Ford * R. Mauk * I. Lepp *
K. Davidson * C. Chubbuck *
R. Cole * F. Paulsen * A. Jewer *
C. Friend * C. Murphy *
T. Howard * T. Mahon * R. Coreas *
D. Deters * E. Herron *
M. Foreman * L. Damron *
A. Anderson * K. Hayes * D. Halloway *





STEM EVENTS FOR FAMILIES

Come experience FREE and FUN activities at this hands-on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics festival.

Out of this World: A Journey Through Space

Tuesday, October 15 at 2 pm

Edgewater Library

Take a voyage through our solar system with a stop at each planet for STEM-related activities, and then get an up close look at space with virtual reality.

STEM Open House

Saturday, October 19 at 11 am

Edgewater Library

Program a robot, go on a virtual expedition, or experiment with augmented reality.

Challenge the STEM Mids

Monday, October 21 at 4 pm

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Challenge the midshipmen in STEM strategy games and activities to hone your critical thinking and hands on skills.

Sensory Safari

Saturday, October 26 at 10 am

Broadneck Library

Learn about your five senses and discover how animals use their senses to survive! Presented by the Maryland Zoo. Register by calling 410.222.1905 starting two weeks before the program date.

Robotics Night

Tuesday, October 29 at 7 pm

Mountain Road Library

Explore the world of science through hands on activities and demonstrations with the Chesapeake High School Robotics Team and First Lego Club!

STEM Day

Saturday, November 2 from 10 am - 3 pm

Glen Burnie Library

Hands on STEM demonstrations and projects from agencies throughout the county.