

TOP STORIES

Five Reasons To Be #PGCPSGrateful!



Heading into Thanksgiving week, here are five big reasons to be #PGCPSGrateful!



Have something special planned for the holidays and want to share? [Upload](#) photos or video of your moments or traditions.

Speaking with Youth About Fentanyl



Illegal drug use is on the rise. Join us in educating our youth about risks.

[Learn More](#)

School Boundary Plan Update



Families impacted by the approved Comprehensive School Boundary plan should expect to receive additional information this week from Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS).

PGCPS will mail letters to parents and guardians, detailing the specific changes to their child's school assignment. The changes are expected to impact approximately 8,300 families.

[Read the News Release](#)

[Learn More](#)

Recycling Rockstars: Students Go Green for America Recycles Day



On Nov. 15, students celebrated America Recycles Day. Students and staff shared their recycling activities through photos and videos for a chance to win a gift card!

[View Gallery](#)

Thanksgiving Break Reminders



Plan ahead by taking note of these important upcoming dates:

Nov. 21-22 – 2-hour early dismissal

Nov. 23-25 – Thanksgiving break

Nov. 28 – Grade appeal window opens

Dec. 2 – Grade appeal window closes

[View Calendar](#)

Share Your Feedback on the Specialty Programs Showcase



Families who attended the recent PreK-12 Specialty Programs Showcase are encouraged to share their feedback to help make next year's event even better!

[Share Your Feedback](#)

Specialty Program and Charter School Application Window

High School Specialty Programs – Oct. 1 - Dec. 16

High School Charter Schools – Nov. 1 - Jan. 27

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs – Oct. 1 - Feb. 17

[Learn More](#)

Free Reading Tutoring for K–5 Students



Give your kindergarten through fifth grade student a boost in reading with free, small-group virtual tutoring sessions with [BookNook](#)! Your child will connect with a tutor online twice a week with late afternoon and early evening time slots available.

The first tutoring session for this school year begins Tuesday, Jan. 24 and goes through June. Register today!

[Sign Up](#)

Sign Up for Free Telehealth Services

Are you wondering how the new telehealth service for students works? See it in action!





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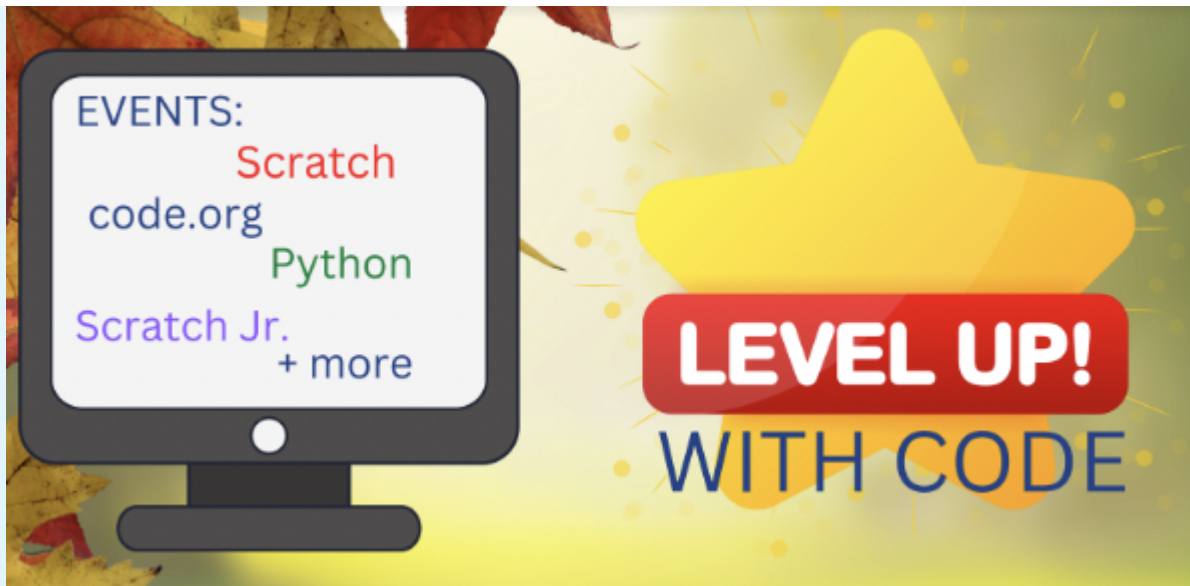
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[Please sign up](#) to provide consent for care. Hazel Health is available to every student at no cost, regardless of their insurance or financial status

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Level Up with Code Virtual Family Event



Join the Department of Career and Technical Education on Monday, December 5 for a free Level Up with Code virtual event! Parents and students will participate in an 'hour of code' activity and learn more about Computer Science education. No coding experience required! [Register online](#) by Dec. 2.

[Download Flyer](#)

Wellness Wednesday Winter Session



Save the date! The next Wellness Wednesday for parents and guardians will be on Dec. 14 from 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

The session, *The Struggle is Real - Navigating the Winter/Holiday Blues*, will focus on depression associated with this time of year and provide strategies, resources and tips for families struggling with the loss of loved ones.

Details coming soon!

November is Family Engagement Month



November is Family Engagement Month! This is the time to highlight and celebrate the crucial role of families in the education and well-being of children. When families take an active role in their child's education, students are more motivated to succeed and teacher and administrator morale also improves.

[Family & School Partnerships Webpage](#)

**Nominate an Outstanding Educator for The Washington Post
Principal and Teacher of the Year Awards**



TEACHER AND PRINCIPAL
OF THE YEAR
AWARDS

The Washington Post

Each year, *The Washington Post* recognizes an outstanding principal and teacher from the Washington region. The Principal of the Year Award recognizes principals who go above and beyond to create exceptional academic environments in their schools. The Teacher of the Year Award recognizes teachers who exemplify excellence in their profession.

PGCPS selects one nominee to represent the school district in the regional competition to be named finalist for The Washington Post Principal of the Year and The Washington Post Teacher of the Year awards. Winners will be announced in mid-April. For details, visit [The Washington Post's awards webpage](#).

Email nomination packets to communications@pgcps.org (the Office of Communications) by Friday, Jan. 13, 2023. **Do not send packets directly to *The Washington Post*.**

Principal of the Year Application

Teacher of the Year Application

BOARD OF EDUCATION NEWS

Top Board of Education News

Highlights from the Thursday, Nov. 10 meeting of the Board of Education include:

[Approval](#) of Phase II of Blueprint Schools to build five new middle schools and a K-8 academy totaling more than 8,000 seats. [View updates](#) on schools presently under construction.

[Approval](#) of the CEO's School Boundary Initiative and aligning of sixth grade with middle schools.

Public Hearings: All-Elected Board

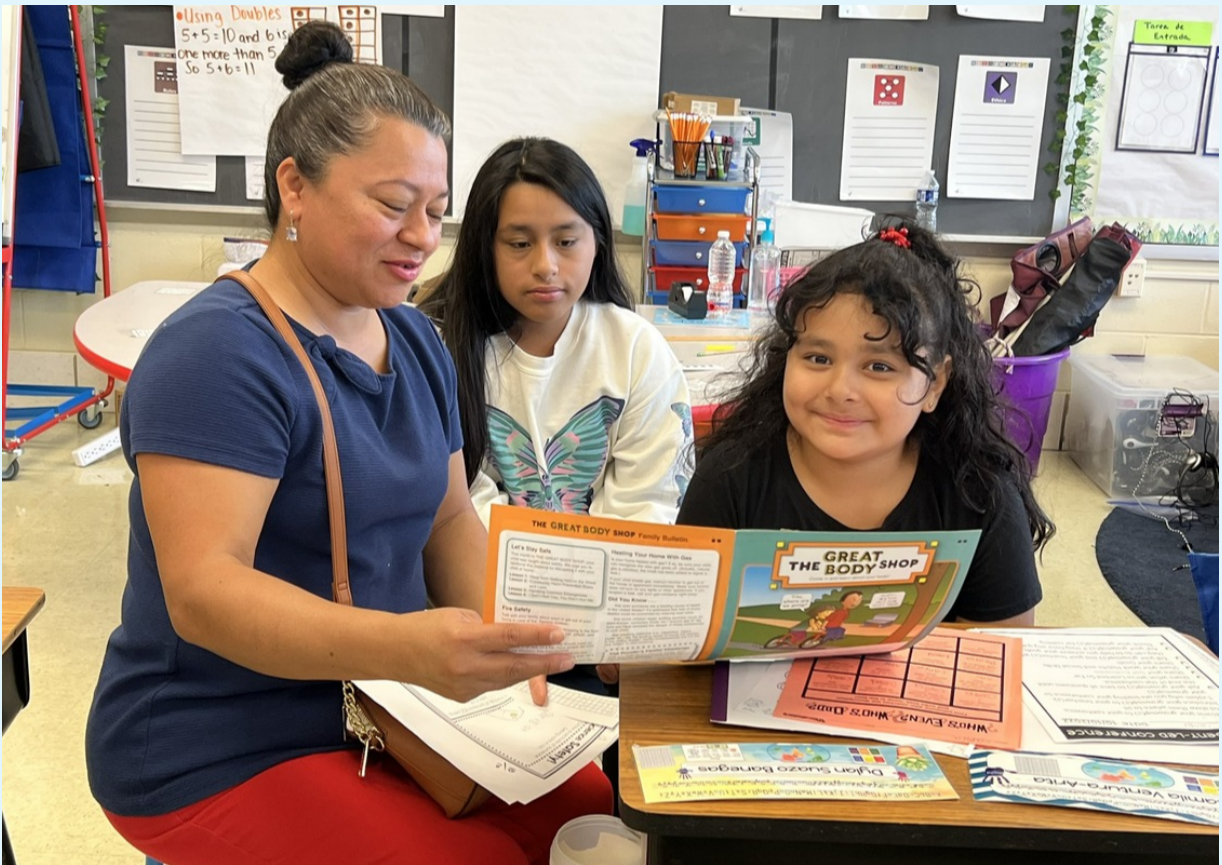
The last of three virtual public hearings to receive community input on House Bill (HB) 0355: Prince George's County Board of Education - Workgroup, Alterations, and Orientation Requirement PG 503-22 is on Tuesday, Nov. 22 from 6-7:30 p.m.

The bill establishes the workgroup to study and make recommendations on implementation of an electoral process for an all-elected Board, appropriate compensation and an appropriate phase-in period for changes to Board composition.

[Learn More](#)

FAMILY RESOURCES

New! Parent-Teacher Conference Guide



A Capitol Heights Elementary School family participates in student-led parent-teacher conferences.

The end of the first quarter means parent-teacher conferences are around the corner! Check out tips to make the most of check-ins with your child's teachers.

[Tips for Parents](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

November 21 – 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students

November 22 – 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students

November 23-25 – Thanksgiving Break – Schools and Offices Closed

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