

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **BCPS** events for April 2023

Towson, MD – The following is a schedule of Baltimore County Public Schools' events, meetings, and other important dates for April 2023.

### **Throughout April**

National Occupational Therapy Month
National Poetry Month
School Library Month
World Autism Month

### **April dates to remember**

**Spring break – Schools and offices closed** Monday, Apr. 3 – Friday, Apr. 7

National Assistant Principal Week

Monday, Apr. 3 – Friday, Apr. 7

Easter Monday – Schools and offices closed Monday, April 10

Schools and offices reopen Tuesday, April 11

Report cards distributed

Wednesday, Apr. 12

#### Deadline for film submissions to 2023 BCPS Film Expo

Friday, Apr. 14 at midnight

The deadline for student film submissions to the Film Expo is Friday, April 14. All middle school and high school students are welcome to enter. More information can be found on the BCPS Film Expo Schoology Group (Access Code: 7CC62-C8M8K) or the Film Expo website. Middle school film categories are

animated GIFs (under 30 seconds), live action (45 seconds to 10 minutes), and animation (up to 10 minutes). High school film categories are animated GIFs (under 30 seconds), short-form video (under 45 seconds), live action narrative (up to 10 minutes), experimental (up to 10 minutes), documentary (up to 10 minutes), animation (up to 10 minutes), and promotional videos (up to 10 minutes).

#### **Nora Murray Memorial Walk**

Saturday, April 15, from 9-11:30 a.m.

Hereford High School, 17301 York Rd., Parkton 21120

Baltimore County Student Councils and Baltimore County Junior Councils are co-hosting the Nora Murray Memorial Walk, a 5K walk and community fair to support FINISH Sarcoma. (Sarcoma is a rare cancer.) The event is being held in memory of Catherine "Nora" Murray, the former coordinator of BCPS student leadership programs and a co-founder of FINISH Sarcoma. The community is invited to participate. All proceeds will benefit FINISH Sarcoma to support sarcoma patients and their families, sarcoma research funding, and promoting sarcoma awareness. Online registration is \$30 for adults (ages 18+), \$15 for students (ages 6–17), and free for children under age 6. In-person registration on the day of the event will be available by cash or check only.

#### Randallstown High School African Student Association Expo

Saturday, Apr. 15, from 3-6 p.m.

Randallstown High School, 4000 Offutt Rd., Randallstown 21133

The expo is free and open to the public. The expo will include African dance and drumming as well as a comedy show and fashion show. Vendors will sell food, jewelry, clothes, and shoes.

#### International Haiku Day – Winners of 2023 BCPS Haiku Contest announced

Monday, Apr. 17

#### **Central Area Education Advisory Council meeting**

Monday, Apr. 17, at 7 p.m.

Meeting details

Topic: School safety and discipline

#### **Northeast Area Education Advisory Council meeting**

Monday, Apr. 17, at 7 p.m.

Orems Elementary School, 711 Highvilla Rd., Baltimore 21221

Topic: Special education

#### **Southeast Area Education Advisory Council meeting**

Monday, Apr. 17, at 7 p.m.

Deep Creek Elementary School library, 1101 E. Homberg Ave., Baltimore 21221

Topic: Behavior

#### **Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee meeting**

Monday, Apr. 17, at 7 p.m.

Meeting details

Topic: Executive functioning: Developing self-advocacy and working toward independence

#### **Lunch & Learn: Stress & Your Body**

Tuesday, Apr. 18, at 12:30 p.m.

This virtual Parent University workshop, presented by Priority Partners, will offer information on how stress affects the body. Registration required.

#### **Board of Education meeting**

Tuesday, Apr. 18, at 6:30 p.m.

BCPS headquarters/Greenwood – Building E, 6901 N. Charles St., Towson 21204 <a href="Information about attending and making public comments">Information about attending and making public comments</a> at meetings can be found on the Board's website.

## **Baltimore County Students Councils/Baltimore County Junior Councils general assembly meeting** (Virtual)

Wednesday, Apr. 19

#### **Champions for Children event**

Wednesday, Apr. 19, at 4:45 p.m.

George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology, 938 York Rd., Towson 21204
The BCPS teacher, principal, and assistant principal of the year will be announced at a special Champions for Children Celebration Gala. In addition, the gala will also celebrate a variety of other all-star school supporters, including a "Rising Star" Teacher of the Year, Supervisory Leader of the Year, Supporting Services Employee of the Year, Transportation Champion, AFSCME Employee of the Year, Volunteer Champion, and Business Partner Champion.

## Welcoming Event & Family Resource Fair for multilingual students at northwest area middle schools Wednesday, April 19, from 6-7:30 p.m.

Deer Park Middle Magnet School, 9830 Winands Rd., Randallstown 21133

The Baltimore County Council PTA is presenting a welcoming event for English language learners, multilingual students, families, and ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) participants. The program includes a meet and greet, school and community resource exhibits, and food basket distribution. The event is hosted by Deer Park Middle Magnet School, Sudbrook Magnet ESOL Center, and Franklin Middle School. The event is also sponsored by the Baltimore County Executive's Office of Immigrant Outreach Services, in partnership with the Northwest Area Education Advisory Committee. For more information, contact Ramona Basilio at <a href="mailyschool@bcptacouncil.org">familyschool@bcptacouncil.org</a> or 443.851.5211 or Gevene Alarcón de Harden at <a href="mailyschool@bcptacouncil.org">gharden@bcps.org</a> or 443.809.1250. Interpreters will be available for Spanish, Russian, Uzbek, Urdu, and French speakers. For an interpreter for another language, please contact Angela Dregier at <a href="mailyschool@bcptacouncil.org">adregier@bcps.org</a>.org.

## Systemwide Professional Development Day – Schools closed for students

Friday, Apr. 21

#### **National Administrative Professionals Week**

Sunday, Apr. 23 – Saturday, Apr. 29

#### PreK Conference Day – No Preschool-3 or PreK sessions held

Tuesday, Apr. 25

#### Parent University workshop: How to Connect with Kids When They Shut Down

Tuesday, Apr. 25, at 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

In this virtual Parent University workshop, Mariposa Education will share with parents information about what is happening in children's brains when they shut down and how common strategies to help often have the opposite effect. The workshop will also explore what parents can do to create the connections they seek with their children. Register online for the <a href="https://docs.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/12:30">12:30</a> p.m. Lunch and Learn session or the <a href="https://docs.nih.gov/12:30">6:30</a> p.m. session.

PreK and Kindergarten Conference Day – No Preschool-3, PreK, or Kindergarten sessions held Wednesday, Apr. 26

#### PTA Council of Baltimore County general meeting

Thursday, Apr. 27, at 7 p.m.

Meeting details

Topic: General meeting and awards

#### **Mind Over Matters Kickoff Event**

Saturday, Apr. 29, from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology, 938 York Rd., Towson 21204 Students, parents, and caregivers are invited to participate in workshops and visit vendors to learn more about children's mental health and substance use prevention. More information about the event and transportation options will be shared soon.

BCPS Office of Athletics events can be found online.

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