

NEWS RELEASE

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BCPS events for March 2024

Towson, MD – The following is a schedule of Baltimore County Public Schools' events, meetings, and other important dates for March 2024.

March observances

Middle Level Education Month
Music in Our Schools Month
National Athletic Training Month
Women's History Month
Youth Art Month

March dates to remember

First practice date for spring athletics

Friday, March 1

Parentmobile at <u>Family Safety Day</u>

Saturday, March 2, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Fire Museum of Maryland, 1301 York Rd. – Rear parking lot, Lutherville 21093 The Parentmobile, BCPS Parent University's mobile resource center for families/caregivers, will participate in this free event focused on family safety.

National School Social Work Week

Sunday, March 3 - Saturday, March 9

Haiku contest deadline

Monday, March 4, at 4:45 p.m.

BCPS students, from Kindergarten through Grade 12, are encouraged to enter the 2024 Team BCPS Haiku Contest. Students are asked to write works inspired by a piece of student artwork selected from among 10 pieces. At the conclusion of the contest, three winners will be selected (one each at the elementary, middle, and high school levels) and awarded prizes. This year's contest will accept entries until 4:45 p.m. on Monday, March 4. Entries must be submitted using an online form. Winners will be announced on Wednesday, April 17, International Haiku Poetry Day.

Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee (SECAC) meeting

Monday, March 4, at 7 p.m.

Meeting details

Topic: "Upcoming SECAC leadership transition"

Board of Education meeting

Tuesday, March 5, at 6:30 p.m.

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

BCPS recruitment session for multiple positions

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Workforce Development Center at Liberty Center (inside the CCBC building), 3637 Offutt Rd., Randallstown 21133

This recruitment session is for individuals interested in the following positions: building service workers, bus attendants, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, cafeteria worker transporters, and grounds workers II. BCPS encourages applicants to <u>apply online</u> prior to attending. Applicants must attend the presentation and the interview. The presentation will start shortly after the arrival time and then individual interviews will follow. For more information, please call 443-809-7872.

Schedule for the day:

- 9:30-10:30 a.m. for bus driver and bus attendant applicants
- 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. for building service worker applicants (on-site interviews)
- 12-1 p.m. for grounds worker II applicants (on-site interviews)
- 2-4 p.m. for cafeteria worker and cafeteria worker transporter applicants (on-site interviews)

Family Support Wednesday

Wednesday, March 6, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Every Wednesday, the BCPS Department of Special Education welcomes families to participate in Family Support Wednesdays. These <u>Google Meet sessions</u> are an opportunity to find support, connection, and information designed just for parents of young children (birth to age 5) with developmental delays.

Board Public Hearing for the Central Elementary School Boundary Study

Wednesday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m.

Loch Raven High School auditorium, 1212 Cowpens Ave., Towson 21286

More information can be found on the <u>Central Area Elementary School Capacity Relief Boundary Study</u> webpage.

Citizens Advisory Committee for Gifted and Talented Education meeting

Wednesday, March 6, at 7 p.m.

Meeting details

Speaker: Anthony Vargas, director, Advanced Academics and Gifted/Talented Programs, Maryland State Department of Education

International Women's Day

Friday, March 8

Parent University Lunch & Learn Workshop: "Lunch & Learn – Compassion vs. Control: Finding the Balance You Need"

Friday, March 8, at 12:30 p.m.

Research shows that children need to feel understood and accepted for their feelings and to have clearly stated boundaries and expectations. In this virtual workshop, a presenter from Mariposa Education will discuss successful adult-child relationship styles and some tips and language to try to strike the balance needed between control and compassion. Please <u>register online</u>. (This workshop will also be offered on Friday, May 10.)

Annual BCPS Climate Survey closes

Friday, March 8

The annual BCPS Climate Survey has been revised with fewer questions and a focus on school climate and engagement. Students in Grades 3–12, parents/caregivers, community members, and all staff are asked to complete the survey, which will be accessible from the **BCPS home page**. The survey will take three minutes or less to complete, is anonymous, and will be available in multiple languages.

Mind Over Matters Annual Conference

Saturday, March 9, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology, 938 York Rd., Towson 21204
The annual BCPS Mind Over Matters Annual Conference seeks to raise awareness about the importance of children's mental health and substance use prevention. This event, open to all BCPS students and their parents/caregivers, will feature student performances, a keynote speaker, breakout sessions, vendors, free promotional items, giveaways, face-painting, and more! Transportation will be provided from every high school. A guardian is required to accompany a student if using BCPS transportation. Parking is available on site for parents/caregivers and student drivers.

Joint meeting of Central and Northwest area education advisory councils

Monday, March 11, at 6 p.m.

Meeting details

Topic: "New Superintendent, New Organizational Structure – Where are we now?"

Southwest Area Education Advisory Council meeting

Monday, March 11, at 7 p.m.

Meeting details

Topic: "Risk Management"

2024 BCPS/CCBC College Fair

Tuesday, March 12, from 6-8 p.m.

CCBC Catonsville, 800 S. Rolling Rd., Wellness Center, Parking lot 5, Catonsville 21228 &

Wednesday, March 13, from 6-8 p.m.

CCBC Essex, 7201 Rossville Blvd., Wellness Center, Parking lot 3, Baltimore 21237 Cohosted by BCPS and the Community College of Baltimore County, this special event connects BCPS students with a wide range of colleges and universities from across the country. Questions? Email collegefair@ccbcmd.edu. Please register in advance for this free event.

Parent University Lunch & Learn Workshop: "Introduction to Bullying Prevention"

Tuesday, March 12, from 12:30 p.m.

Brad Engel, a school climate initiatives specialist with the Maryland State Department of Education, will lead a virtual workshop regarding how to effectively respond to bullying situations and get a better understanding of the barriers that prevent children from reporting to adults. For educators and parents/caregivers alike. Please <u>register online</u>.

BCPS Job Fair

Tuesday, March 12, from 4-7 p.m.

Timonium Fairgrounds, 2200 York Rd., Timonium 21093

BCPS is hiring teachers, paraprofessionals, additional adult support workers, building service workers, grounds workers, maintenance employees, school nurses, speech language pathologists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, school psychologists, school social workers, bus drivers, bus attendants, food service workers, and school counselors. All 176 schools, centers, and programs will be represented, and interviews will be conducted. Those interested are encouraged to bring their resumes and to begin the online application process before the job fair.

Curriculum Night

Tuesday, March 12, from 6-7:30 p.m.

Woodlawn High School, 1801 Woodlawn Dr., Woodlawn 21207

Team BCPS students, parents, caregivers, and stakeholders are invited to participate in the 2024 BCPS Curriculum Nights. (A second Curriculum Night will be held on Tuesday, April 30, from 6-7 p.m. at Dulaney High School, 255 E. Padonia Rd., Timonium 21093.) These events are opportunities for families to learn about BCPS curriculum and current system efforts to make improvements in English language arts, mathematics, early childhood education, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), and special education programs. BCPS staff will also discuss what families can expect to see their children learning in the academic priority areas and will provide tips and resources on how to support students at home. Attendees will have an opportunity to view curricular and instructional materials and ask questions. The March 12 session will be livestreamed on the BCPS-TV YouTube channel.

Family Support Wednesday

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Recruitment session for bus drivers and bus attendants

Wednesday, March 13, from 5-6 p.m.

Dundalk High School/Sollers High School (cafeteria), 1901 Delvale Ave., Dundalk 21222 This recruitment session is for individuals interested in becoming BCPS bus drivers and bus attendants. BCPS encourages applicants to **apply online** prior to attending. For more information, please call 443-809-7872.

Information session with Down Syndrome Association of Maryland

Wednesday, March 13, from 6-7 p.m.

Google Meet link

The BCPS Department of Special Education invites parents/caregivers to a virtual information session to learn more about resources offered by the Down Syndrome Association of Maryland. The presenter will be the association's executive director, Amanda Mummert.

Community Conversation

Thursday, March 14, from 6-7 p.m.

Owings Mills High School, 124 S. Tollgate Rd., Owings Mills 21117

BCPS Superintendent Dr. Myriam Rogers invites the Team BCPS community to discuss a variety of important school system-related topics at Community Conversation events. (Additional sessions will be held in April.) During the events, Dr. Rogers will share information about key priorities for BCPS, hear from Team BCPS community members, and answer questions. Spanish interpretation will be provided at all sessions. Interpreting services for other languages are also available upon request at no cost to participants. Please contact 443-809-1250 as early as possible to request.

Parent University Lunch & Learn Workshop: "Celebrating Baby Sleep Day: Preventing Sleep Problems Before they Occur"

Friday, March 15, at 12:30 p.m.

Please register online for the virtual workshop.

PTA Council of Baltimore County Reflections Awards Ceremony

Sunday, March 17, from 2-4 p.m.

Event details

Southeast Area Education Advisory Council meeting

Monday, March 18, at 7 p.m.

Sandy Plains Elementary School library, 8330 Kavanagh Rd., Dundalk 21222

Topic: "Food & Nutrition"

Board of Education meeting

Tuesday, March 19, at 6:30 p.m.

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BCPS recruitment session for multiple positions

Wednesday, March 20

Baltimore County Workforce Development Center at Eastpoint (next to the movie theater/Goodwill), 7930 Eastern Ave., Baltimore 21224

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First game date spring athletics

Thursday, March 21

PTA Council of Baltimore County General Meeting, Program, and/or Training

Thursday, March 21

Meeting details

Spring Break – Schools and offices closed

Begins at the end of the school day on Friday, March 22, through Monday, April 1

Maryland Day

Monday, March 25

Family Support Wednesday

Wednesday, March 27, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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Family Support Wednesday: Special session

Wednesday, March 27, from 2-2:45 p.m.

On the last Wednesday of each month, the BCPS Department of Special Education hosts a <u>Google Meet session</u> specifically for caregivers of micro-preemies and children with special health care needs. The session is an opportunity to find support, connection, and information.

Coming in April

Community Conversation

Wednesday, April 3, from 6-7 p.m.

Eastern Technical High School, 1100 Mace Ave., Essex 21221

This session will be livestreamed on the **BCPS-TV YouTube channel**.

Community Conversation

Wednesday, April 10, from 6-7 p.m.

Loch Raven Technical Academy, 8101 Lasalle Rd., Towson 21286

Curriculum Night

Tuesday, April 30, from 6-7:30 p.m.

Dulaney High School, 255 E. Padonia Rd., Timonium 21093

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