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Students, staff, community invited to participate in BCPS College & Career Decision Day, Wednesday, May 1

What: To celebrate BCPS College & Career Decision Day on Wednesday, May 1, as well as the school system's culture of promoting higher education and career preparation, all graduating seniors who have committed to a college or university or career plans are asked to share their news on social media on May 1 using hashtag #BCPSdecisionday. In addition, all Baltimore County Public Schools' staff members, students, and community members are encouraged to wear college gear and post photos on social media using the #BCPSdecisionday hashtag. Photos may also be submitted via email to communications@bcps.org. A printable decision day template is [available for download on Flickr](#).

When: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Where: Throughout Baltimore County

Background: BCPS College & Career Decision Day 2024 coincides with National College Decision Day on May 1. For most colleges, admitted students must confirm by this date if they plan to enroll in the fall.

BCPS employs a variety of strategies to support post-secondary plans. The BCPS Office of College and Career Readiness provides tools, support, and opportunities to students and staff members systemwide through the implementation of Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), Early College Access Programs (in partnership with the Community College of Baltimore County), mentoring

programs, and other initiatives so that all students graduate from BCPS ready for college, careers, and productive lives.

In addition, high school counseling departments host college fairs; students take the PSAT and SAT assessments (for college admissions) and the ASVAB assessment (for military enlistment) free of charge during the school day; high schools employ dedicated college and career counselors who work with students in Grades 9-12 to promote career exploration, community programs, and military options and to support the college application process; workshops are offered for students and parents related to college admissions and financial aid; and more.

BCPS also supports students in pursuing additional education in the trades or military careers through its career and technical education and magnet programs, JROTC programs, and internship and apprenticeship programs.

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