

THE FARQUHAR NEWS

William H. Farquhar Middle School

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WEEKLY EDITION

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2010

March 16-18: Soccer tryouts continue, sports bus available, departure 4:30 p.m.

March 17: 7th & 8th grade MSA celebration. After lunch students will be able to choose from a dance, sports activities, movies, and more.

March 18-23: MSA makeup testing 8-10:30 a.m.

March 19: PTA Roadrunner Night, 7-9:30 p.m.

March 23-25: Port Isobel field trip, departure 3/23—8 a.m., return 3/25—3 p.m.

March 25: Career Café, 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

March 26: Third marking period ends

March 29-April 1: Spring break: no school for students and teachers

April 2 & 5: Holidays: Good Friday and Easter

April 6: Professional Day: report card preparation and planning; no school for students

April 7: Fourth marking period begins

April 8: Parent/Student Expo, 6:30-8:30 p.m., lmc & classrooms, please see attached flyer

April 13: Science Inquiry Exposition, 7th & 8th graders, café, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

April 13: PTA Business Meeting, 7-7:30 p.m., lmc

April 14: Report cards distributed

April 15: Career Café, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

April 16: PTA newsletter deadline

April 22: Take-Your-Child to Work Day: Classroom instruction continues as normal. If your child is absent, please follow normal absentee procedures and send a note to excuse the absence.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT CARD FOR MCPS

The 2009 School Performance Report Card for MCPS provides you with state, county, and individual school performance data, as well as information on student attendance, graduation rates, and the professional qualifications of teachers at the state, district, and school levels. The 2009 report was distributed to students and can also be found at the Maryland State Department of Education website at www.mdreportcard.org.

ROADRUNNER NIGHT

ATTENTION FARQUHAR PARENTS... MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Farquhar Middle School's **Roadrunner Night Carnival and Silent Auction** scheduled for **Friday, March 19** from 7-9:30!

Admission is \$5/person or \$12/ family at the door, or advanced purchases can be made at lunch on 3/18 and 3/19 for \$4/person or \$10/family. This family event is the PTA's largest fundraiser. We are hoping to make it a great success and we need your help. Please come join us for a night of games, food, prizes and fun!

Volunteers Needed!! Please contact Sherri Tempchin at tempchin@comcast.net or Tibi Kenney at kkenney@17320.comcast.net if you are available to volunteer. There are two shifts - a 6:45 to 8:15 shift and an 8:00 to 9:30 shift.

We have begun collecting items for our **silent auction** already, so if you have any unwanted gifts that you are trying to decide what to do with, we might have the answer! We are looking for donations in the form of gift certificates, products, professional services, complimentary meals, overnight stays, tickets or passes to events or anything else you can think of for the **Silent Auction**. Be creative, no item is too small or too big! If you think you can help us out, contact Jennifer Hallmark at hallmark5@comcast.net.

2nd Annual FMS Food Drive* is being held in conjunction with Roadrunner Night on Friday, March 19. Please consider contributing a non-perishable food item when you come to the carnival.

For each food item donated, you will be entered into a raffle to win gift certificates!

Many winners will be announced throughout the night; you do not need to be present to win.

Look for backpack and on-line announcements for further details.

**Food drive to benefit Manna Food Center – helping those at risk for hunger. Questions? Contact: mtkkozowski@verizon.net*

STUDENT SERVICE LEARNING AWARD MODIFICATION

Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, all students who meet the 75 hour Student Service Learning (SSL) graduation requirement by the first Friday in April of a middle school year will receive a Superintendent's SSL Award. Due to this year's scheduled spring break and the holiday on April 2, 2010, middle school students will have until the second Friday in April (April 9, 2010) to qualify for this award. For additional modifications to the middle school SSL awards program, please visit the MCPS SSL website at: www.mcpsssl.org.

HELPFUL LINKS

Updates News & Information: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharm/

Calendar: <http://coldfusion.mcps.k12.md.us/cfms/webteam/calendar/calendar.cfm?calendarID=farquharm>

Staff Directory: <http://coldfusion.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/directory/index.cfm?s=dbd&pl=03507>

Edline: www.edline.net

Edline Assistance: Beth.A.Hopkins@mcpsmd.org

Sign Up For the Email List: www.farquharpta.org

PTA Information: www.farquharpta.org

Lunch Pre-Payments: www.myLunchMoney.com

Daily Cafeteria Menu: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/foodserv

H1N1 Information: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/emergency/h1n1/>

Student Service Learning: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/ssl/>

Bullying: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/forms/230-35.shtm>

PrepTalk: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/careercenter/resources/preptalk.aspx>

NEC Information: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/nec>

Parent Academy: www.mcpsparentacademy.org

Giant Food A+ Bonus Bucks Program (use code 00691): www.giantfood.com/aplus

Yearbook Order Form:

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharm/news/Yearbook%20Order%20Form%2009.jpg

Silent Auction Donation Form:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharms/news/silent%20auction.pdf>



William H. Farquhar
Middle School

Presents:

Parent & Student Expo

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2010 @ 6:30 PM

Join us for an evening with local experts
on adolescent behavior...

4 INFORMATIONAL SEMINARS FOR TEENS AND ADULTS:

- ⇒ Empowering Parents
- ⇒ Talking to Your Teen about Sex & Making Healthy Choices
- ⇒ Mom/Dad, Will you Please Just Listen to Me!
- ⇒ What is a Healthy Relationship?

Featuring Guest Speakers:

Officer Brett Mavritte,
Montgomery County Police Department
Molly Love, LGSW
Teen & Young Adult Health Connection
Dr. Robert Roth, PhD.
Montgomery General Hospital



For More information contact:

Mary Rafferty, School Nurse
Or
Simone Geness, Asst. School Administrator

Phone: 301.924.3100

Registration Forms available
online March 12, 2010

Light Refreshments
&
Informational Materials
Will be provided

Farquhar Middle School's

Roadrunner Night Carnival & Silent Auction

Friday, March 19
7:00 pm - 9:30 pm



An evening of
games, food &
family fun

An adult must accompany children.

- ✦ Cake & Candy Walk
- ✦ Lots of Games!!
- ✦ Farquhar Spirit Wear
- ✦ Silent Auction

SAVE
THE
DATE!

JOIN US FOR...
Farquhar Middle School's
Annual Roadrunner Night Carnival
& Silent Auction



located at:
Farquhar Middle School
 16915 Batchellors Forest Road *in Olney*
on: Friday, March 19, 2010
from: 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

ADMISSION

An adult must accompany children.
 ★Advance purchase of \$4.00 per person or \$10.00 per family ★
 ★At-the-door price of \$5.00 per person or \$12.00 per family ★

GAMES, FOOD, PRIZES and FUN!

Tickets for food & games can be purchased at the carnival for 50 cents each.

Buy advance admission tickets early and save! Here's how...complete the form below, return it with cash or check made payable to FMS PTA. Tickets will also be on sale at lunch on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 17, 18 & 19.

Tickets can always be purchased at the door the night of the event!

Cut on line and send the completed form with cash or check made payable to FMS PTA.

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Last Name _____ First Name _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Ticket order: I would like _____ *Individual Admission* tickets @ a price of \$4.00 each _____ x \$4.00 = \$ _____

I would like _____ *Family Admission* tickets @ a price of \$10.00 each _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

Payment (circle one) CASH CHECK ck# _____ Total Enclosed: _____

An adult must accompany children.

You can purchase admission tickets -- at lunchtimes -- **at Farquhar MS**
 Wed. 3/17, Thurs. 3/18 and Fri. 3/19.

MCPS Safe and Drug-Free Schools Symposium
Enhancing School Climate Through School Connectedness

Marijuana and Other Drug Use Prevention

April 30, 2010

The Universities at Shady Grove
Building 3

Directions at
www.shadygrove.umd.edu/about/directions/

**Featuring National, County
and Local Presenters**



Open to MCPS employees and community members
MCPS employees register on PDO Course # 52698
Community members register
by calling 301-279-3041
Seating Limited



Register a.m. and p.m. for
Continuous Full-day Workshop
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
or
Register for a.m. or p.m. session only

