

# THE FARQUHAR NEWS

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WEEKLY EDITION

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2010

June 9-14: Final exams: The exam scheduled is attached and posted on the website

June 15: Eighth Grade Farewell 1-2 p.m. followed by ice cream social for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students

June 15: Final exam make-ups second semester

June 16: Fourth marking period ends

June 16: Last day of school for students: early dismissal 12:10 p.m.

June 17: Professional day for teachers

June 23: Report cards mailed home; report cards for students with financial obligations will be held at school. Please see below.

July 6-30: Summer School Classes, registration still open, see information next page

## ATTENTION 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS

Students can earn **FREE** College Tech Prep credits at Montgomery College and other colleges just by enrolling in one of 38 Career Pathway Programs while in high school. Please see attached for more information.

## TEXTBOOKS, LIBRARY BOOKS, AND FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS REMINDER

It is that time for students to turn in their textbooks and library books. Please have your child(ren) look everywhere for any misplaced textbooks/library books—under beds, in closets, behind dressers, etc. Students who do not turn in these books will be issued a financial obligation. Any student with a financial obligation that is not paid by June 18 will not receive his/her report card by mail. Parents will need to come to the school main office after June 23 and either return the textbook/library book or pay the entire amount of the book in order to receive their child's final report card.

## STUDENT SERVICE LEARNING (SSL)

Documentation of service occurring after June 3 and throughout the summer will be reflected on the first report card of the 2010-11 school year when submitted by **September 24, 2010**.

**Please note:** All 8<sup>th</sup> grade folders will be sent to their high schools **Monday, June 14**. **NO** SSL from 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be accepted after this date. For additional modifications to the middle school SSL awards program, please visit the MCPS SSL website at: [www.mcpsssl.org/Summer](http://www.mcpsssl.org/Summer)

If you have any questions over the summer, please call 301-279-3454.

## LIMITED SUMMER SCHOOL SLOTS STILL OPEN

Registration is still open for summer courses and courses are filling fast! Times are from 7:45 – 11:30 a.m. during the dates listed below. Courses include:

**Reading 7/8** (July 6-30, Cost \$95, check made out to MCPS)

**Mathematics 7** (July 6-30, Cost \$95, check made out to MCPS)

**Focus on Algebra** (July 12-30, Cost \$75, check made out to MCPS)

**Writer's Workshop** (July 12-30, Cost \$150, check made out to FMS)

Courses will be filled on a first-come basis until filled. Bus transportation is available, as is financial assistance for students who have financial need. All registration information is available on Edline and the school website. If there are any questions,

Please contact Mr. Geddes ([Walter C Geddes Jr@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Walter_C_Geddes_Jr@mcpsmd.org)), summer school coordinator, with any questions about summer reading and math programs, or Mr. Heifetz ([Adam M Heifetz@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Adam_M_Heifetz@mcpsmd.org)) for *Writer's Workshop* information.

Also, enrichment packets in reading and math will be sent home with students prior to the end of the school year. This information will also be posted on our website throughout the summer.

## SUMMER SCHOOL TELEPHONE HOTLINE 301-924-3100

If your child is enrolled in one of the summer programs and you have any last-minute questions, please call Mr. Geddes, summer school coordinator, **June 29 between 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.** Also, if there are any courses still open, this will be the last opportunity to enroll.

## ATTENTION 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS

Check out these transition to high school programs this summer, offered to all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders:

Sherwood HS: STARS Program:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/sherwoodhs/news/news.aspx?id=113024>

Blake HS: High School 101:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/blakehs/hs101/index.htm>

## MESSAGE FROM MR. MURPHY

I want to thank all parents, students, and staff for making 2009-10 such an outstanding school year. With impressive academic achievements, enrichments in after-school programs, athletics, and the arts, overcoming obstacles, and forging new relationships, I am so proud of everything our students and staff accomplished.

To our 8<sup>th</sup> graders, I know you are prepared for the excitement and rigors of high school, while you work toward your goals and prepare yourselves for college. To our 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders, I look forward to seeing you back in August ready for another exciting and challenging year!

We also look forward to seeing many of you for our summer programs, July 6-30.

Be sure to read a lot this summer and complete those math packets (posted online).

**Thanks for all of your support to our school and community, and have a great summer.**

## HELPFUL LINKS

Updates News & Information: [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharms/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharms/)

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

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

Edline: [www.edline.net](http://www.edline.net)

Edline Assistance: [Beth\\_A\\_Hopkins@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Beth_A_Hopkins@mcpsmd.org)

Sign Up For the Email List: [www.farquharpta.org](http://www.farquharpta.org)

PTA Information: [www.farquharpta.org](http://www.farquharpta.org)

Lunch Pre-Payments: [www.myLunchMoney.com](http://www.myLunchMoney.com)

Daily Cafeteria Menu: [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/foodserv](http://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](http://www.mcpsparentacademy.org)

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

Yearbook Order Form:

[www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharms/news/Yearbook%20Order%20Form%202009.jpg](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/farquharms/news/Yearbook%20Order%20Form%202009.jpg)