



9-28-26 MAES Newsletter



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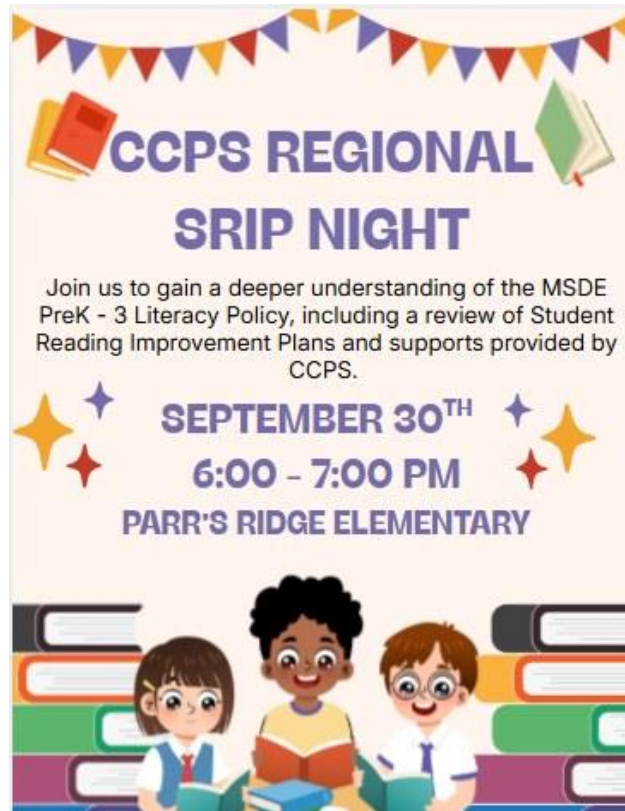
- September 30 -- Family SRIP Literacy Night, 6:00 PM at Parrs Ridge Elementary

OCTOBER:

- October 5 - 9 -- Scholastic Book Fair, Media Center
- October 7 -- Family Night, Scholastic Book Fair, Media Center
- October 14 -- PTO Fun Run, Parrs Ridge Elementary School
- October 15 -- Early Dismissal for Students, 1:00 PM
- October 15 -- Parent-Teacher Conferences, 4:40 PM - 7:40 PM
- October 15 -- Advanced Academic Parent Information Night, 6:00 PM

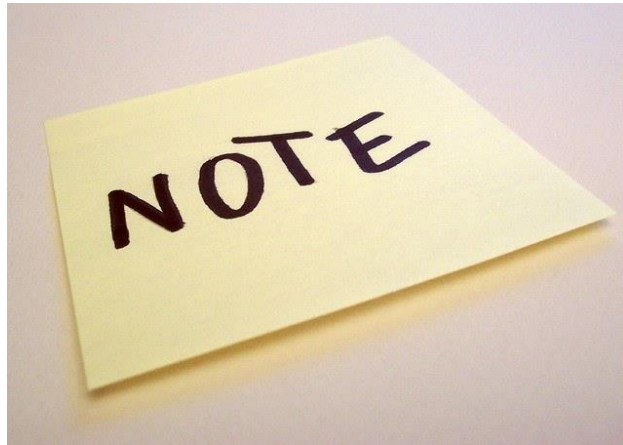
- **October 16** -- **School Closed for Students**
- *October 23* -- *Rain Date for PTO Fun Run, Parrs Ridge Elementary School*

Maryland State Literacy Policy Information Night



Please join us at Parrs Ridge Elementary School on September 30th, from 6:00 – 7:00 PM, for our Regional Information Night about the Pre-K -3rd Grade Literacy Policy and Student Reading Intervention Plans. During this meeting, you will learn about the Maryland State Department’s Comprehensive Literacy Policy and how it will support your children. There will be a presentation and time for Q & A. Please see below for details! To better prepare for the families that will be attending, we are asking that any family planning on attending the information night complete this RSVP form: [CCPS Regional SRIP Night RSVP Form – Fill out form](#). We hope to see you there!

Supporting Learning at Home



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As we begin a new school year, we know that families often wonder, “What will my child be learning this year, and how can I support them at home?” The Maryland State Department of Education has developed Family Guides to help answer those questions.

These guides provide families with an easy-to-understand overview of the skills and concepts students are expected to learn at each grade level. They also include helpful ideas, questions, and activities that families can use to reinforce learning at home.

We encourage families to take a few minutes to explore the guide for their child’s grade level. Building a strong connection between learning at school and conversations at home is one more way we can work together to support every student’s success.

[Family Guides - Division of Instructional Programs](#)

Sincerely,

Dr. Courtney, Principal

Instrumental Music

	September 28-October 2					
Times	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Times
Date	9/28	9/29	9/30	10/1	10/2	Date
9:15-9:45						9:15-9:45
9:45-10:15	4th Beg Violin A & B	5th Adv Violin	5th Adv LB	5th Adv Sax	4th Beg Brass	9:45-10:15
10:15-10:45	4th Beg WW	5th Adv Cello	5th Adv Perc	5th Adv Flute	4th Beg Perc	10:15-10:45
10:45-11:15	4th Beg Viola & Cello	5th Adv Viola	5th Adv Tpt	5th Adv Clar	5th Beg Violin	10:45-11:15
11:15-11:45			4th Beg Brass			11:15-11:45
11:45-12:15						11:45-12:15
12:15-12:45						12:15-12:45
12:45-1:15		5th Beg Violin	5th Beg Perc			12:45-1:15
1:15-1:45	5th Adv Tpt	5th Adv Sax	5th Beg Brass	5th Adv Cello		1:15-1:45
1:45-2:15	5th Adv LB	5th Adv Flute & Perc		5th Adv Violin	4th Beg Violin A & B	1:45-2:15
2:15-2:45	5th Beg Perc	5th Adv Clar		5th Adv Viola	4th Beg Viola	2:15-2:45
2:45-3:15	5th Beg Brass	4th Beg Perc		4th Beg WW	4th Beg Cello	2:45-3:15
3:15-3:45						3:15-3:45

Please see the [attached lesson schedule](#) for this week. Of note, all 4th grade beginning flute, oboe, clarinet and saxophone students will meet together as 4th Beg WW (woodwinds). All 4th beginning trumpet, trombone and baritone will meet together as 4th Beg Brass.

All instrument assignments have been distributed to 4th and 5th grade students interested in playing an instrument for the first time! If you have any questions regarding instrument assignments, please contact Mrs. White at jrwhite@carrollk12.org.

Save the Date: MAE Performing Arts Winter Concerts

Wednesday, December 16th: 4th & 5th Grade Beginning Band & Orchestra Concert and 4th Cardinal Chorus

Thursday, December 17th: 5th Advanced Band & Orchestra and 5th Cardinal Chorus

Student Collector



1 - Juliana S. displays her collection of Legos in the media center.

Media Center Book Recommenders



2 - Caleb N.



3 - Scarlett M.



4 - Grace B.

Battle Of The Books





A book-based competition!
MAES battles against Winfield ES
and Linton Springs ES in 2027

Open to 4th and 5th grade students

Up to 9 students per team

Coaches needed!

Students can get their applications
now from the Media Center

Questions? Ask Ms. Precht
laurieprecht@carrollk12.org

Battle information at
library.carr.org/programs/BOB

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S



OFFICIAL
BOOKLIST
2026-2027



The Experiment by Rebecca Stead

Growing Home by Beth Ferry

The House Next Door by Ellen Oh

Octopus Moon by Bobbie Pyron

The Secret of Moonrise Manor by Stephanie Bearce

Will's Race for Home by Jewell Parker Rhodes

Creaky Acres by Calista Brill

Creature Clinic by Gavin Aung Than

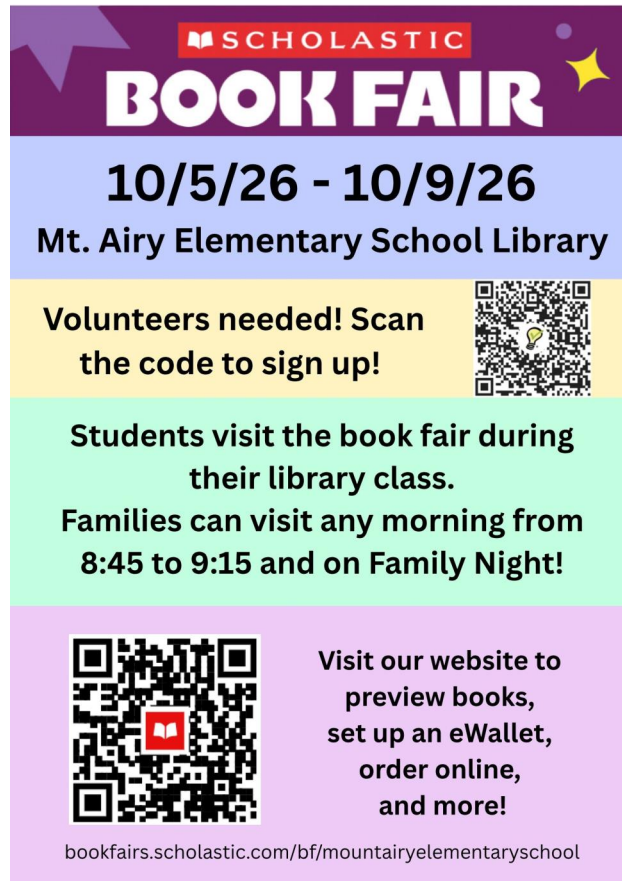
Jupiter Nettle and the Seven Schools of Magic by Sangu Mandanna

Story Spinners by Cassandra Federman

Your student can pick up a permission form for the Battle of the Books from the MAES library or parents/caregivers can print the form to fill out by going to [this link](#). All forms must be returned in a paper-based format by Friday, October 9.

More Coaches are needed for the Battle of the Books Competition and Preparation. Any questions can be directed to Ms. Precht, Library Media Specialist, at laurieprecht@carrollk12.org

Scholastic Book Fair -- October 5-9



SCHOLASTIC
BOOK FAIR

10/5/26 - 10/9/26
Mt. Airy Elementary School Library

Volunteers needed! Scan the code to sign up!



Students visit the book fair during their library class.
Families can visit any morning from 8:45 to 9:15 and on Family Night!



Visit our website to preview books, set up an eWallet, order online, and more!

bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/mountairyelementaryschool

From The Nurse's Office

Health Room Reminders! from Nurse Katie

- Please send in an extra set of clothes labeled with your child's name for spills, accidents, etc. Clothing in the health room is limited. They may keep a change of clothing in their locker.
- Please remember to help your child select weather appropriate clothing! Layered clothing is a great idea for chiller mornings and warmer afternoons. Raincoats and winter coats are encouraged as recess and PE are frequently held outside.
- Please notify Nurse Katie of any new diagnoses throughout the school year.
- Children may bring their own chapstick and hand lotion to school.
- Kleenex/tissue donations for the classroom teachers are always appreciated!
- Children ARE PERMITTED to bring non-medicated cough drops to school. Please send a few, not the whole bag. They may hold onto them.
- Medication including OTC items may NOT be brought into school by a student. All medications administered at school must have a signed doctors order.
- If your child is injured, requires use of a brace or splint, crutches, wheelchair, etc. and/or is to be excused from PE/RECESS a DOCTOR'S NOTE is required. Please provide the appropriate restriction and length of time in the note.
- A TEMPERATURE OF 100.0 degrees is considered a fever. We ask that you keep your children home and fever free for a full 24 hours (without Tylenol & Motrin) before returning to school. We realize this can be a hardship for some parents/guardians, but it is necessary to keep from transmitting illness/viruses to their classmates.
- Please notify the front office staff maeattendance@carrollk12.org when your child will be absent and copy Nurse Katie for any acute contagious illnesses such as FLU, COVID, Strep, etc.
- Hearing and Vision dates: March 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.



Call/email me anytime with questions/concerns!

kdtrudo@carrollk12.org
Nurse Katie



Run for All! All for Fun!

It's that time of year again; our annual **Fun Run** is underway! This is our **biggest** fundraiser of the year, and we could not do it without your support!

The PTO is continuing to take a more hands-on approach. By doing so, we ensure that a greater portion of every dollar raised directly benefits our school community, and our students gain a Fun Run program better tailored to their interests. Our goal is to raise **\$75,000** for student programs, activities, events, and more! Here is how you can help:

- **Step 1:** Go to mybooster.com
- **Step 2:** Search for our Fun Run (Maes/Parr's PTO Fun Run)
- **Step 3:** Register your student(s) under their teacher(s) *Every student who registers gets a prize, no donation required!
- **Step 4:** Share your link with family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers to start raising money for our schools!

Save the Date:

Wednesday, Oct 14th - Fun Run Event! (Rain date: 10/23)

- K, 3rd @ 9:30-10:30 am - 2nd, 4th @ 10:30-11:30 am - PreK @ 11:40-12 pm - 1st, 5th @ 2-3 pm

Families are welcome to attend and cheer on their students!

***Important*:** This year, we are asking any guest of our Fun Run Event to pre-register for student safety. This event takes place on the campus of Parrs Ridge Elementary and requires check-in at the front table of the school upon arrival with a valid, government-issued ID. Please fill out one form for EACH child.

Use the link below to RSVP!

https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=FhEzcaZxr0GbpZtpyCs_RvO6Hlc_MA5lhJYArUFLgTZUMU1HNFpBN0hCRFZaMFY5Rlo3S0xWMlIXNi4u

Volunteers Needed:

We are seeking volunteers to assist with event set-up, tear-down, and monitoring water stations. Please use the link to sign up! Note: volunteers must be approved through CCPS to be at Parr's Ridge where our event takes place.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D48AFAF28A2F8C07-65145479-funrun#/>

Questions? Email the Fun Run Committee at: maesparrs.funrun@gmail.com

Thank you for your support!

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 30th - Chipotle Fundraiser 4-8pm

School Lunch Menu



[September 2026 School Lunch Menu](#)

[October 2026 School Lunch Menu](#)

Lunch Times:

- Grade 3: 11:25 - 11:55 AM

- Grade 4: 12:45 - 1:15 PM
- Grade 5: 12:05 - 12:35 PM

Home Access Center

Stay Up To Date

If you require assistance with getting set-up with Home Access or issues using Home Access please use this link [Family Web Support Form](#) for technology support requests instead of contacting Tech Services directly. Using the Family Web Support Form ensures that family support requests are properly tracked and routed to the appropriate team for follow up.

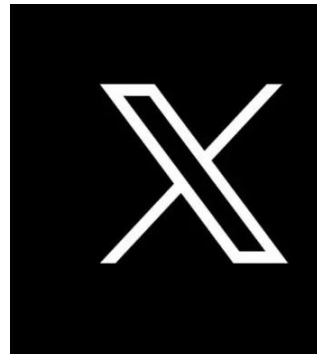
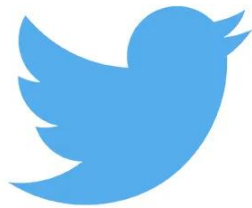
How To Contact Us



You may call the school (410-751-3540) between the hours of 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Staff may be easily reached through email. Please see our [staff directory](#) on our school website for the most up to date email addresses.

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6 - Check out our school website: mae.carrollk12.org