

11-02-26 MAES Newsletter

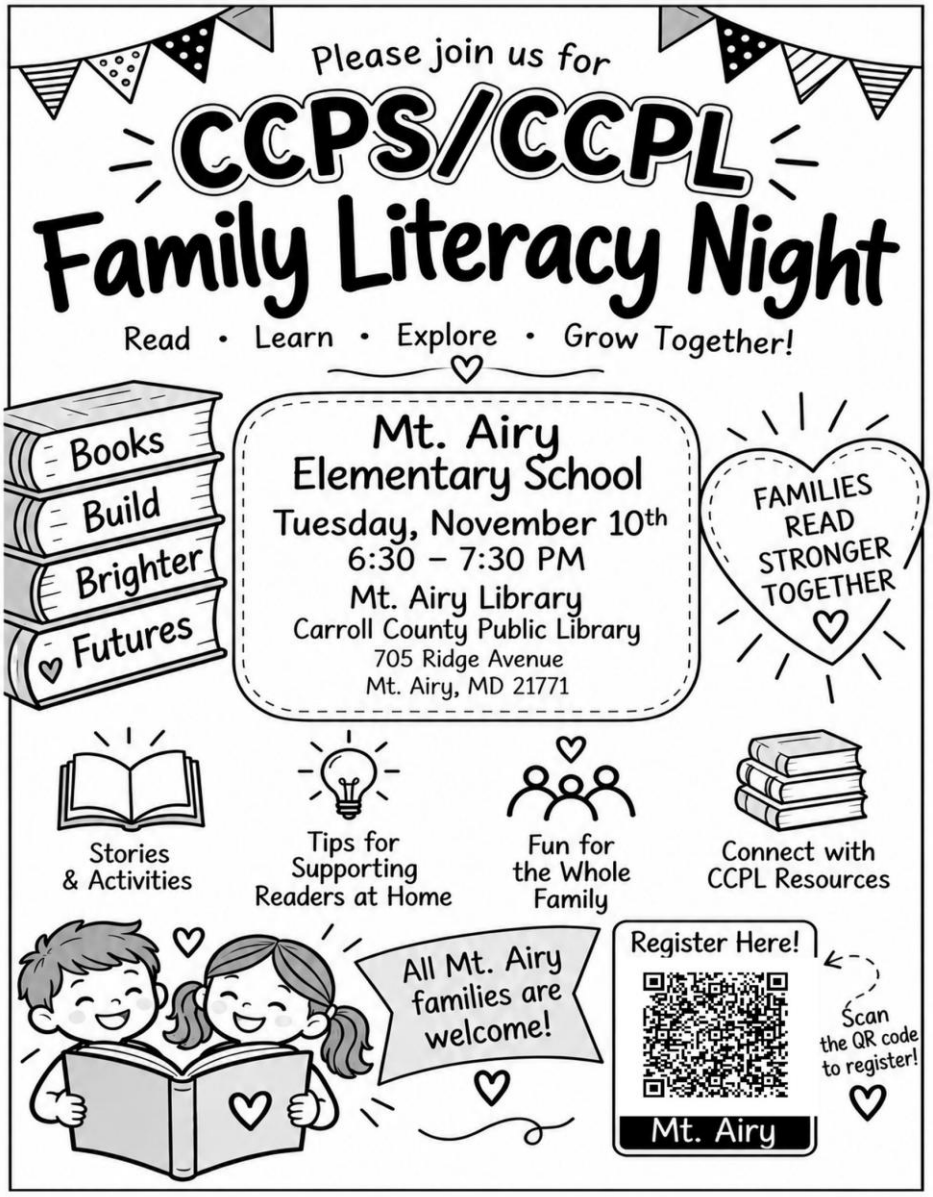


NOVEMBER:

- **November 03 -- Schools/Offices Closed -- Election Day**
- **November 04 -- First Marking Period Ends**
- **November 04 -- Early Dismissal for Students, 1:00 PM**
- **November 10 -- Family Literacy Night, CCPL Mount Airy, 5:00 PM**
- **November 11 -- Report Cards Distribution**
- **November 13 -- PTO Family Bingo Night, Parrs Ridge, 5:00 PM**
- **November 16-20 -- American Education Week**
- **November 17 -- Fall Picture Re-Take and Make-Up Day**

- **November 18 -- Parent-Teacher Conference Night**
- **November 20 -- Early Dismissal for Students, 1:00 PM**
- **November 25 -- Schools/Offices Early Dismissal, 1:00 PM**
- **November 26 -- Schools/Offices Closed for Thanksgiving Day**
- **November 27 -- Schools/Offices Closed for Thanksgiving Break**

Family Literacy Night



Acompáñenos a la

Noche de Alfabetización Familiar de CCPS/CCPL

Leeremos • Aprenderemos • Exploraremos • Creceremos Juntos



Escuela Primaria Mt. Airy

Martes, 10 de noviembre
6:30 – 7:30 PM
Biblioteca de Mt. Airy
705 Ridge Avenue
Mt. Airy, MD 21771

Las Familias Leen Mejor Juntas



Cuentos y actividades



Consejos para apoyar a los lectores en casa



Diversión para toda la familia



Conéctese con los recursos de CCPL



¡Todas las familias de Mt. Airy son bienvenidas!

¡Regístrese aquí!

¡Escanee el código QR para registrarse!

Biblioteca de Mt. Airy

Important Update: Student Sign-In and Sign-Out Procedures



Dear MAES Families,

At MAES, maintaining a safe and secure learning environment for all students is one of our highest priorities. As part of our ongoing efforts to ensure accurate attendance records and consistent student arrival and dismissal procedures, we are updating our expectations for students who arrive late to school or leave before the end of the school day.

Effective Monday, October 19, all parents, guardians, or authorized individuals must physically sign students in or out through the main office when arriving late or departing early.

Late Arrivals – Signing Students In

If your child arrives after the start of the school day, a parent or guardian must accompany the student into the main office and complete the student sign-in process, including providing a signature.

Please do not drop students off at the front entrance and leave without accompanying them inside. Even if your child is comfortable entering the building independently, an adult must be present to complete the sign-in process.

Early Dismissals – Signing Students Out

When picking up a student before the end of the school day, parents, guardians, or authorized individuals must report to the main office, present identification as requested, and physically sign the student out before the student is released.

While our office staff will continue to verify the identity and authorization of individuals picking up students, a physical signature will now be required as part of the sign-out process.

This procedure also aligns with the sign-in and sign-out practices already in place at Parr's Ridge Elementary School, our partner school. Because many of our families have children who attend or have previously attended Parr's Ridge, we want to ensure a consistent and familiar experience across both schools.

Why Is This Important?

These procedures help us maintain accurate attendance documentation, verify student arrivals and departures, and ensure that every student is appropriately accounted for throughout the school day.

We recognize that this may represent a change from what some families have experienced in the past, particularly during morning drop-off. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we establish consistent procedures that support student safety and accountability.

Thank you for your continued partnership in helping us maintain a safe, welcoming, and well-organized school environment for all of our Cardinals!

John Courtney, Principal

Attendance Tips



PTO News

BJs fundraiser:

Mt. Airy Elementary School Supporters

JOIN BJ's Wholesale Club NOW & SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER!

- **BJ's Club Card: $10** (regularly $60) – **Fundraiser earns $10**
- **BJ's Club Plus Card: $50** (regularly $120) – **Fundraiser earns $10**

Join Online:

www.bjs.com/partner1026/parrsridgeelementary

Or Join by Phone: 1-800-313-8887

Promo Code: 240059

Offer ends: NOVEMBER 30, 2026

Hours: Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–6:00 PM ET

holiday shop fundraiser

MAES / PARR'S RIDGE PTO FUNDRAISER AT SK GIFTS ON MAIN STREET

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 4- 7 P.M.

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS WHILE SHOPPING LOCAL THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

SK GIFTS IS HOSTING A SHOPPING EVENT ON 11/14 FROM 4-7 P.M. **20%** OF SALES WILL GO TOWARDS THE MT. AIRY ELEMENTARY & PARR'S RIDGE PTO!

FINGER FOODS AND SOFT DRINKS WILL BE AVAILABLE WHILE YOU SHOP!



IF YOU CAN'T MAKE THE EVENT, ONLINE SHOPPING IS AVAILABLE 11/12-11/14 (MENTION OUR FUNDRAISER WHEN CALLING TO ORDER).



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School Lunch Menu



October 2026 School Lunch Menu

November 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

Media Center Book Club!



Our 3rd grade book club kicked off this year with Ghosts by Raina Telgemeier. Ten students read the book during the month of October and then gathered in the library for a lunch bunch to play a trivia game about the plot, setting, and characters. This month's participants were Saanvi P., Graham B., Addie A., London L., Gabby P., Zachary B., Penny J., Mason H., Adeline M., and Cayleigh J.

In November, ten different students will be selected to read The Mysterious Moonstone by Eric Luper.

There's still time to sign up for the 3rd grade book club. We are currently booking January through May. If you haven't filled out a form yet, just ask your student to pick up one from the library.

This week's fourth grade artists. Reni R. & Kane C.





This week's fifth grade artists. Josie W. & Emery G.





This week's third grade artists. Peyton M. & Adeline M.





CCPS Consent and Release Policy-- Permission to Photograph Videotape or Audiotape

Permission to Photograph, Videotape or Audiotape

Throughout the school year, the Carroll County Public School System frequently covers school activities and may use your child's photograph, video image, or voice for educational, informational, or public relations purposes, with or without identification by name.

If you do not wish to have your child's voice reproduced on tape or to have his/her image appear in such things as a video or a photograph, or on the school or school system website or social media, please notify the school principal in writing. It is assumed that parents and guardians consent to their children being audiotaped, photographed, videotaped, or having their image placed on a school website or social media by the school system unless such notification is received.

There are also occasions when the media cover certain school events (such as when a government leader visits a school). If you do not wish to have your child's name or likeness published by the media, you should address your concerns directly to the school involved so that the media is so advised. Please be advised that the school system has no control over the media when they are covering activities such as sporting events and musical programs that are open to the public.

Birth to Kindergarten Program

Supporting Young Children and Families from Birth to Kindergarten

Do you have questions or concerns about your child's development or learning?

The **Birth to Kindergarten Program** connects Carroll County families with early intervention, evaluations, preschool special education services, and other supports for children **from birth through age five**.

👶 Birth to Age 3

The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program (CCITP) provides early intervention services for eligible children under age 3. Services and evaluations are provided **at no cost to families** when determining eligibility.

Referral:

📞 410-876-4437

🌐 Online Infant & Toddler Referral

👦 Ages 3–5

Child Find helps identify children who may be eligible for preschool special education and related services.

If you have concerns about your child's development or learning, you do not need to wait for someone else to recommend a referral.

Referral options:

🌐 Online Child Find Referral

📞 410-876-4437

📧 BirthtoKindergarten@carrollk12.org

🌐 Learn More

Visit the **Birth to Kindergarten Program webpage** for information about services, supports, referrals, and resources:

Carroll County Public Schools — Birth to Kindergarten Program

Questions?

Birth to Kindergarten Program

📞 410-876-4437

📧 BirthtoKindergarten@carrollk12.org

Home Access Center

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.

Stay Up To Date

How To Contact Us

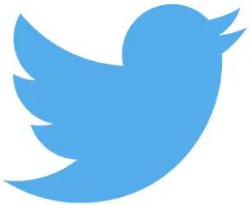


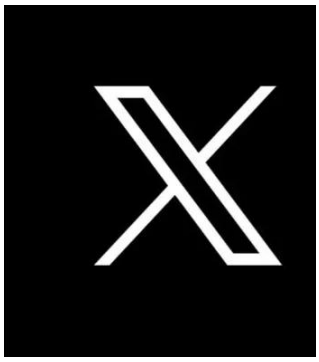
You may call the school (410-751-3540) between the hours of 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

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