**Important Dates**

May 11 Music Dept. Field Trip ~ King’s Dominion 6:00 a.m. ~ King’s Dom.

May 17 Interim Progress Reports Issued

May 17 7th Grade Field Trip to Washington D.C. 8:30 a.m.

May 24 Enrichment Fair 6:00 p.m. ~ Cafeteria

May 28 Memorial Day ~ Schools & Offices closed

May 31 Choral Spring Concert 7:00 p.m. ~ Cafeteria

June 1 8th Grade Dance 5:00 p.m. ~ Cafeteria

June1 GT Expo 9:00 a.m. ~ Hopkins APL

June 5 Spring Orchestra Concert 5:00 p.m. ~ Hammond H.S.

June 6 Band Spring Concert 7:00 p.m. ~ Hammond H.S

June 8 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony 6:00 p.m. ~ Hammond H.S

June 11 8th Grade Field Trip to Six Flags 10:00 a.m. ~ Six Flags, MD

June 15-19 Schools dismiss 3 hours early

June 19 Last day of school for students

**NEW INFORMATION FROM PVMS**

**5/4/2018**

**PVMS PTA YARD SALE 5/5 – CANCELLED**

**Reminder - Registration is now open for the Hammond Boosters 2018 Summer Camps.**

We had to change some of the camp times and dates, following the extension of the school year to June 19th. All camps are open to rising 4th Graders to rising 9th Graders. We have lowered the price of each camp to $125 this year.We are offering the option of mailing in your registration and payment, if you would rather not register online.  The registration form can be printed from our website as well as on page 9 of this Gazette.

**PVMS Enrichment Fair: May 24th from 6-7:30pm.**

This year’s PVMS Enrichment Fair theme is “Journey to Discovery.” Come and see wonderful student presentations and demonstrations from our debate team, drama seminar, coding seminar, robotics seminar and more! Learn about many topics our students have been investigating from the GT Research Class, History Day, and GT Science classes! Hope to see you there!

**BELOW IS INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS GAZETTES**

**The Alpha Achievers of Howard County**

Hello Parents/Guardians:  The Alpha Achievers of Howard County are inviting you and your student to their Annual Workshop "From Middle School Boys, To Men of Purpose". Letters are being sent home.  Parents/Guardians must RSVP at: <https://boystomenofpurpose.evenbrite.com>. This event is being sponsored by BSAP. For more information please contact Ms. Rashel Taylor

  When: Saturday, April 21st 2018

  Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

  Where: Howard High School

  8700 Old Annapolis Road, Ellicott City, MD 21043

**8th Period**

Flag Football is starting Thursday, April 19th. Permission forms are available during in the cafeteria during lunches. Please contact Alyson\_Mitchel@hcpss.org for additional information.

**PVMS Symphonic Band**

The PVMS Symphonic Band received 3 Superior ratings and 1 Excellent ratings at the HCPSS Band Assessments in March.

The PVMS Symphonic Band has been invited to perform at the State Band Festival, however, we are asking for overwhelming parent/chaperone support. If you are able to chaperone on either May 7th or May 8th please contact Mr. Garner at your earliest convenience at: [jarrel\_garner@hcpss.org](mailto:jarrel_garner@hcpss.org).

**ATTENTION: PARENTS OF 6TH GRADERS**

**\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR REGARDING IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 7TH GRADE**

**FROM THE HEALTH ROOM:**

As you know, all students who will be entering Grade 7 in the fall 2018 are **required** by the state of Maryland to have proof of 1 dose of the **Tdap vaccine** and 1 dose of the **Meningococcal vaccine** **(MCV4)** by the first day of the **2018-2019** school year. If we **DO NOT** receive proof of immunization, your child will be excluded from school on the first day.

Many students may have already received these immunizations, but the Health Room may not have the **updated** immunization record.

Please call on 410-880-5840 and ask for the health room if you have any questions.

Dee Goldstein, RN

**Calling all Fairy God Mothers!**

Would you like to have a hand in helping to send some of our less fortunate students to the 8th grade dance? If you have any dresses you would like to donate to help this cause please contact me. All sizes are welcome. Please contact Debbie Costley at Debbie\_costley@hcpss.org

**Music Department - Music Competition**

Date: Friday May 11, 2018  (7am - 9 pm)

Location: Kings Dominion, VA

Ensembles competing: 7th and 8th grade band, choir, and orchestra members.

6th grade band members are invited to join us on our trip pending availability of seating.

7th and 8th graders are asked to bring in permission slips and money in as soon as possible, and 6th graders will be asked to bring in money in the coming weeks. All permission slips and information sheets are available in Canvas.

-Mr. Garner, PVMS Band Director

**8th Period**

8th Period Programs are running Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2:30pm-4:15pm. Buses leave school promptly at 4:20pm. Students riding the buses can be expected home by 5pm. The following programs are currently running. If you would like your child to participate in a program, please reach out to Maggie Bosse at Margaret\_Bosse@hcpss.org

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| **Tuesdays** | **Wednesdays** | **Thursdays** |
| Reading/HW & Organization | Reading/HW & Organization | Math 8 support |
| Creative Writing | NJHS (alternate weeks) | Running Club |
| Chess Academy | Running Club | Archery |
| Be The Change | Latin Dance | International Club (alternate weeks) |
| Archery | Student Council (alternate weeks) | Lego Robotics |
| Algebra I Prep | Orchestra Practice |  |
| Dungeons & Dragons |  |  |

Additional Club Information:

* Running Club is now full and no longer enrolling new students.

**Greetings from the PTA!**

Keep your membership and donation forms coming in! We are hoping to avoid having to do additional fundraisers by asking for straight up donations. In lieu of pizzas, candles or gift wrap, please consider sending the amount you would have spent on these directly to the PVMS PTA.

**Reservoir High School Summer Booster Camp**

Come out to sports camp the week of July 16th at Reservoir High School with Howard county teachers Phil Ranker (PE), Tom Dougherty (Math) and Erika Lupo (PE).  The camp is open to Rising 1st-9th graders and features many different sports and activities every day.  If your child likes PE, they will love camp.  Campers are split into age and ability groups to ensure that everyone has a great and productive time.  For more information, please visit [http://rankerssportscamp.weebly.com](http://rankerssportscamp.weebly.com/) or email [phillip\_ranker@hcpss.org](mailto:phillip_ranker@hcpss.org) for questions!

**Wellness Center Updates**

If you have not yet completed the forms for the Wellness Center... visit the PVMS website or contact the Wellness Center directly to obtain the enrollment packet.

The Wellness Center services are available to all students without charge. Parents can make appointments directly, or if a student comes to the health room due to illness or injury, parents will be contacted to discuss if they would like their child seen that day by the nurse practitioner. The Wellness Center does not replace a student's regular health provider in the community; rather, it is an option for health care during the school day. Providing some health care services at school helps students miss less school time. Contact the Wellness Center if you have any questions or would like to schedule an appointment.

Annette Baldwin, CPNP-PC

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner - Howard County Health Department - Bureau of Child Health

Appointments: 301-490-1655

BBES Wellness Center; M-W-F(am): 301-490-1660

PVMS Wellness Center; T-Th-F(pm): 410-313-8530

**2018 Biz Kidz Club**

We are thrilled to announce the launching of our Biz Kidz Club for kidpreneurs (Ages 5-18). Membership includes participation in our upcoming Biz Kidz TV Shows, Radio Interviews, Workshops, Market Days, Shark Tank Competitions, Award Receptions, networking events and other special occasions. Club members also qualify to win education scholarships. Please complete and submit the attached form and required fees to register. Online registration is also available at **[www.bizkidz.us](http://www.bizkidz.us/)**

**PVMS Market Place**

PVMS Market Place is fully stocked with clothing items for all ages. If you are a family or know a family in need, please reach out to PVMS at 410-880-5840 and ask for Deb Costley.

**Attention Parents:**

The Library Media Program is desperately in need of LEGO pieces for it’s Makerspace Project Program. This program will begin during the middle of October. We will be having Monthly Contests that students in which students will compete. Students will get the opportunity to build projects out of LEGO’s in the Media Center during their Lunch Periods. Their projects will correspond with Monthly Themes which are the following:

April: **Peep Diorama**

May: **Baseball Stadiums**

Any donation will be accepted, but the more LEGO pieces the better. Parents may send LEGO’s in with students or parents can bring the LEGO’s to the Media Center. Please make sure that the LEGO pieces are in some type of box.

**THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE NEEDS YOU!!!**

The Ronald McDonald house in Philadelphia serves as a home-away-from-home for the entire family while their child is a patient at Children’s Hospital. Many of these children suffer from progressive and “orphan” diseases that require lengthy stays in order to minister the precise treatment. Some are patients for 9 months and longer.

The RMH charges a mere $15.00 a night for a room that includes a kitchen for the entire family. Collecting the pull-tabs from any cans is an income source for the RMH. The pull-tabs are recycled for cash which helps to finance the “House.” Your child will receive 1 Bark Buck for every 10 pull-tabs turned in. If you would like a collection jar to be at your place of employment, church or home, please contact me and I will send them home with your child.

Sincerely**,** Mrs. Bonnie L. Taylor Health Teacher

**CAMP IMPROV- Summer comedy camp for middle school students!**

This camp is all about the joy of jumping in and finding the funny. Listening, saying “yes, and,” collaboration and flexibility are key. Though there is a focus on the basics, students with prior improv experience will find an opportunity to strengthen their basic comedy muscles. Students will work on teamwork, trust, support and artistic collaboration through improv exercises and short form games, like the ones played on Whose Line Is It Anyways? Students will perform a show at the end of the week featuring the games that they learned.

Session 1: July 9-13, Session 2: July 16-20

Time: Monday- Friday, 9am-12pm

Director: Kathryn Carlsen, Centennial HS Theatre

Website: campimprov.org

Location: Camp Improv takes place at Centennial High School on the stage and in theatre room.

Cost: $195 includes a Camp Improv shirt

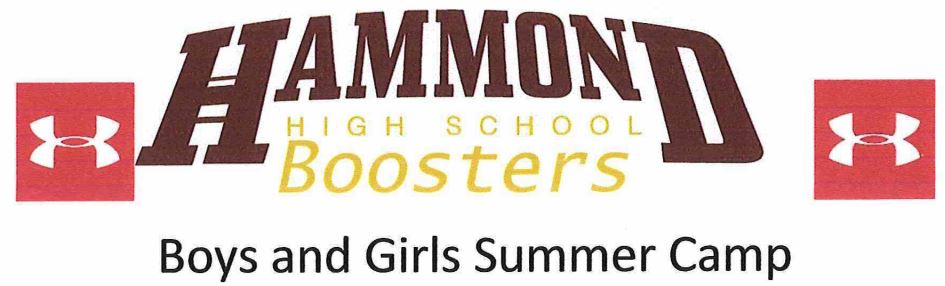
Performance: Students will perform on the Friday of the camp week at 7pm. All tickets to the show are complimentary!

Registration Due: June 1st. Returned check fee is $25.

Questions? Email Kathryn Carlsen at kcarlsen@hcpss.org

Camp Improv is supported by the Centennial High School Boosters.

Visit campimprov.org for information and registration.



2018 Registration Form

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| Parent/Guardian (Emergency Contact) Information | | | |
| Name: | | | |
| Email: | Cell Phone: | | |
| Current address: | | | |
| City: | State: | | ZIP Code: |
| \*Payment ($125 per camp): | | | |
| Camp Attendee(s) Information | | | |
| Name: | | | |
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\*Checks shall be made out to **Hammond HS Boosters**

* Mail completed **registration form** and **check** to**:**

**Hammond High School**

**Attention: Boosters**

**8800 Guilford Road**

**Columbia, MD 21046**

