



# Pikesville High School Newsletter

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## August 2010

### Calendar

August 11	5:00 pm	Sports Mandatory Orientation
August 24	7:00 pm	Music Boosters Freshman Meet & Greet
August 26	6:30 pm	<b>Freshman Orientation</b>
August 30	7:30 am	First day for ALL students – <u>Report DIRECTLY to 1<sup>st</sup> period class</u>
September 3		Emergency Form DUE to Homeroom teacher
September 6		Closed for Labor Day
September 7	7:00-8:00 pm	PTSA Meeting - Library
September 9		Closed for Rosh Hashanah
September 12	1:30-2:45 pm	College Planning Program –sponsored by PTSA
	3:00-4:00 pm	Paying for College Program – sponsored by PTSA
September 14		Closed for Primary Elections
September 16	7:00 pm	<b>Back to School Night</b>
September 24	7:00 pm	Homecoming 2010 Varsity Football Game
September 25	8:00-11:00 pm	Homecoming Dance – at Pikesville High
October 4		<b>Interim Reports sent home</b>
October 4-8		HSA Testing Administration
October 7	2:30-5:00 pm	Parent Conferences after Parent Conferences, AVID Workshop
October 12	7:00-8:00 pm	PTSA Meeting - Library
October 15	Closed for Students Only	– Prof. Development Day/MSTA Convention
October 29		1 <sup>st</sup> Marking Period Ends/ School closed 3 hours early
November 2		Closed for General Elections
November 9	7:00-8:00pm	PTSA Meeting Library
November 15-19		American Education Week

## From Mr. Mitzel...

As the principal of Pikesville High School I would like to welcome you, the parents and students of the Pikesville community, to the 2010-11 school year. Our main focus this year continues to be student achievement, quality instruction, and a safe, orderly learning environment. We recognize that there are many members of the learning community known as Pikesville High School. One of our most important resources is you, the parents and guardians of the students. Together we will work to provide a quality instructional program for your child.

Research shows that students who are involved are more likely to be academically successful. There are many extra-curricular activities that are offered here at Pikesville High School. I encourage all students to take advantage of at least one activity/sport/club in which they are interested.

I have also had the opportunity to meet with our PTSA President, Mrs. Lois Stern. We are working closely with the members of the PTSA Executive Board to provide you with additional support during the coming school year. The success of the PTSA is highly dependent upon its members, and I encourage you to join this group at one of the upcoming events described below. Details for many of the upcoming events are contained in this issue, and additional information will be distributed when students arrive in August. Parents, this is your chance to support your students by joining our PTSA as well as some of the booster groups that support your child.

An important key to success in high school is being prepared and staying informed. This year we are piloting the **Edline** school communication program. It is my hope that through this web-based application students and their parents can be more connected with the faculty and events of Pikesville High School. Details will be shared at the following two events: **Freshmen Orientation** which will be held on **Thursday, August 26 at 6:30 p.m.** and **Back To School Night** which will be held on **Thursday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m.** These are two opportunities to meet members of the faculty and the PTSA president, Mrs. Lois Stern.

In closing, I wish each of you a successful school year. The faculty and administration at Pikesville High are deeply committed to the success of each individual student. I look forward to meeting you at Freshman Orientation or Back to School Night on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

E. L. Mitzel, Jr.

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**Early Dates – Mark Your Calendars!**

## Freshman Orientation Night August 26, 2010

Incoming freshmen and their parents should plan to attend Pikesville's Freshman Orientation Night on Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at **6:30 p.m.** The program will provide an overview of academic and extracurricular life at PHS. There will also be time for students and parents to meet some of the staff, ask questions, and take a tour of the school. Don't miss this opportunity to become involved as a member of the PHS family from the very beginning. Gym uniforms will be on sale, and there will be an opportunity to meet the PTSA officers and committee chairs. Don't forget to support Pikesville and join the PTSA.

<b>College Planning &amp; Payment Programs</b> <b>Sunday September 12, 2010 from 1:30-4:00pm</b> <i>Sponsored by your PTSA</i>	<b>Back-to-School Night</b> <b>Thursday September 16, 2010 - 7:00pm</b> <i>Find form in this newsletter for your child's schedule</i>
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### **EDLINE Training**

Parents: Learn how EDLINE makes communications about your student easy!! Two training dates will be announced in an upcoming newsletter.

**RSVP:** [Pikesville.ptsa@gmail.com](mailto:Pikesville.ptsa@gmail.com)

# Edline is Coming

## What is Edline?

Edline is a password protected website that parents and students can access to see all relevant information about the school. From the classroom to the sports field to the cafeteria to the library, Edline provides a simple, single point of access to all of the key information students and parents need: homework, grades, attendance, progress reports, activity schedules, athletic scores, school news, resources, and more.

## How Does Edline Work and Where Can I Find It?

There will be a link to Edline from the Pikesville High School website ([www.phs.edu](http://www.phs.edu)) or you can go to [www.edline.net](http://www.edline.net). Once you receive an activation code, you can log in and have access to information about your child's classes.

## How Do I Access Edline?

Students will receive their activation codes in school. Parents must pick up their activation codes in person and provide appropriate identification. These will be available during Freshman Orientation, Back to School night, and in the main office during school hours. To become an active member, type in your activation code on the Edline site. You will be asked to create a user name and password. You will also be asked to enter an email address. It is important to include an email address in order to receive grade posting alerts, information from the school, and information from teachers.

Refer questions to Tedd Wilson ([rwilson2@bcps.org](mailto:rwilson2@bcps.org)) or Rita Leiby ([rleiby@bcps.org](mailto:rleiby@bcps.org)).

# Yearbook Information

## 2010 Yearbooks

Yearbooks were distributed on August 11<sup>th</sup>. If you ordered a 2010 yearbook and were not able to get it on the 11<sup>th</sup>, you may pick it up in Room 112.

## Senior Portraits/Underclass Portraits

Senior Portraits were taken on July 29 and 30. Retakes will be done from 2:30-9:00pm on September 2 and 3 and again on October 25<sup>th</sup>. All seniors who are registered should receive an information card with an appointment card from Lifetouch Photographers. If you do not receive a card 2 weeks prior to September 2, call Lifetouch at 410-644-7700 to get on the appointment list. If your child cannot make any of the scheduled school appointment dates, Lifetouch will schedule a studio appointment. All senior portraits must be completed by December 31 to be included in the 2011 yearbook. Underclassmen portraits will be taken during the school day on October 20 and December 1.

## 2011 Yearbooks

All families will receive order information by mail from Jostens Publishing for advance purchase of a 2011 Pikesville High School yearbook. There will be a link on the [www.phs.edu](http://www.phs.edu) site as soon as the offer cycle begins. The price of the yearbook is discounted for those who preorder early in year. Information with prices and dates of increases will be posted on the school website soon.

## Baby Ads

Parents of seniors will receive information by mail for purchasing a recognition ad for their child.

## Interim & Parent Conference Dates for 2010-2011

<b>Interim Distribution</b>			<b>Seniors</b>	<b>Underclassmen</b>
October 4	December 6	February 28	May 2	May 9
<b>Parent Conferences</b>				
October 7	December 9	March 3	May 5	May 12

### **From The Nurse's Office**

Let's start the new school year right! Please be proactive in helping us keep all our students safe. If there has been a change to your child's health condition, let me know. Something as simple as an Albuterol inhaler can keep an asthmatic student healthy and avoid unnecessary doctor or hospital visits. Also, by promoting optimum health our students will be here and ready to learn!!

All medications, including over-the-counter medications, must be kept in the nurse's office. The only exceptions are asthma inhalers and epipens, which students may carry, if there is a physician and parent signed form on file in the health office. The form for prescription medications may be printed from the Pikesville High website, [www.phs.edu](http://www.phs.edu). Discretionary medication forms, for occasional use (Tylenol, Motrin, Tums, etc.), will be handed out during the first week of school.

If your child has received any updated/new immunizations during the summer, please send documentation to the nurse. If you have any questions, the direct phone to the health suite is (410) 484-4795. Feel free to call. Thanks, Michael Behrens, R.N.

### **\*\*STUDENT EMERGENCY RELEASE FORM\*\***

Each student will receive an Emergency Form in homeroom during the first week of school. **IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THIS FORM BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO YOUR HOMEROOM TEACHER BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS NEEDED IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY INVOLVING YOUR CHILD(REN).** Provide current contact information on both sides. Please be sure to include individuals that may be authorized to pick up your child(ren) in case you are unable to do so.

### **Physical Education and Health**

The P.E. Dept. welcomes all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders and all other new and returning students. Students enrolled in the fitness foundations/fitness mastery course, are required to purchase a *Pikesville Physical Education Uniform* (T-shirt and mesh shorts for \$30.00). Baltimore County Physical Education Department policy requires that students change into participation clothing. Cash or checks, made to Pikesville High School, may be used for purchase. Uniforms will be on sale during the August 26<sup>th</sup> Freshman Orientation and at any time during the school year. Students should bring their own tennis shoes, socks, and sweat clothes to leave in their lockers for the year.

*From Mr. Whatley...*

## 2010-2011 Student Schedules

- Students received their schedules this summer and were offered a period of time to adjust them as indicated within the insert with the schedule.
- **NO** Schedule changes will be made to student schedules the first two weeks of school August 30- September 10. Students must follow their schedules until they meet with a counselor to request a schedule change. Students may request an appointment with their guidance counselor to address schedule concerns beginning September 7, 2010.
- Only Seniors may see guidance counselors the first week of school if they require schedule changes for the following reasons:
  - Placement in a class they need in order to graduate.
  - Placement in the Work Experience Program.
- Students must bring their schedules the first day and week of the school year. If students require a copy of their schedule they may obtain a replacement schedule in the cafeteria only on the first day of school on August 30, 2010.
- Parents/Students may email counselors to alert them to schedule concerns at:

Mr. Paul Lubinski: [plubinski@bcps.org](mailto:plubinski@bcps.org); Ms. Stacy Attar: [sattar@bcps.org](mailto:sattar@bcps.org); Ms. Erin Murphy: [emurphy@bcps.org](mailto:emurphy@bcps.org).



## NEWS

Welcome to the 2010-11 school year!

Dear AVID Parents:

The theme for 2010-2011 is *College Readiness and College Preparedness*. AVID will focus on rigorous instruction, apply the WICR methodology in their classes, refine college preparatory skills, and take practice PSAT's, SAT's, ACT's, and HSA tests. Students will also participate in educational as well as cultural trips. In order to ensure success, parent involvement is strongly encouraged. Workshops will be offered during the course of the year conveniently after interim conferences. **Please save the following dates: (October 9 –these dates may change, March 3, 2010 and April 21, 2010.** AVID solicits your **support** in attending the evening workshops which provide an array of information to keep you informed and prepared for upcoming academic priorities.

PHS's AVID program takes pride in beginning the process to become a National Demonstration School this fall. This honor is due to the success of the students in their transition from high school to college. Our students are pleased to showcase their AVID expertise to other school districts. In addition, the AVID Student Government Officers will take charge in planning and implementing various fundraisers and activities. Some include a car wash, implementing a school store, and more.

Parents, please encourage your son/daughter to read, and research 5 colleges and scholarships. Also, please be advised that notebooks and Cornell Note pads will be distributed to each student free of charge.

Thank you for your AVID Support!

Natalie Bailey

Coordinator of the AVID Program

# ***GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT***

## **News Flash:**

Ms. Price has transferred to another school. Her replacement is Mrs. Murphy, an experienced counselor who comes to us from Chesapeake High School in the eastern part of the county.

## **Check Out Our Web Page:**

Wondering what exactly should be done to prepare for college entrance exams? Want to know what's important to colleges when they read a student's application? These and many other questions are answered for you right on our webpage. See the "**Frequently Asked Questions**" included in the Guidance Department section of the school's website at <http://pikesvillehs.bcps.org/> (do not include www).

## **What Should College-Bound Students Be Doing During the Summer?**

- ! **READ** as much as possible. College entrance exams are cleverly designed to find out whether or not you read for a hobby. Reading a great deal on topics that interest you will pay off in a big way on the reading sections of the exams.
- ! Spend at least one day "on the job" with an adult who presently works in the career which interests you the most. This experience will do a great deal to help you make decisions about your future.
- ! Be sure to visit, with your parents, the colleges which interest you the most. **The very best way to make up your mind about colleges is to visit them.**
- ! If you're a senior and you've decided which colleges you'll apply to, check to see if any of them require you to write an essay as part of your application. If they do, download the college application and write the essay now so that you won't have to write it at the same time when you have homework to do in September.
- ! Every college you apply to will also want to know about your extra-curricular activities and any community activities too. You'd be wise to compose at least a preliminary draft of your "Activity Resume" now so you won't have to worry about it later. If you want specific suggestions and guidelines for a Resume, see Mr. Lubinski in the Guidance Office now.
- ! Since the summer is rapidly coming to an end, can you still get all these things done if you act quickly? **YES**

## **College Entrance Exams for Seniors (juniors are advised to wait until the spring)**

<b>College Entrance Exams</b>	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	<b>Exam Date</b>
SAT	Sept 9	Oct 10
ACT	Sept 18	Oct 24
SAT	Oct 1	Nov 7
SAT	Oct 30	Dec 5
ACT	Nov 6	Dec 12
SAT	Dec 15	Jan 23

## **A Preview of Coming Events**

Counselors will go to **grade 12** English classes in early September to explain the college application process and detailed information will be sent home for parents. Note: Sunday September 12 College Program; additional night for parents to be announced.

Counselors will also go into **grade 11** English classes in September to explain how to select the college entrance exam that's in the best interest of each junior and how they should begin the process of selecting the colleges they'll apply to one year from now. Detailed information will be sent home for their parents too.

College representatives will come to PHS to talk with interested Seniors and Juniors throughout the autumn. Students must sign-up in advance → Form will be in the Guidance Office, **BUT**, because of the importance of classroom instruction, students are asked to **not** sign up for more than 5 of these meetings.

- Deadline for Seniors to mail all college applications—Thanksgiving
- Scholarships for Seniors -- throughout the year, but especially during the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester
- Deadline to register for AP exams -- late February
- AP exams -- first two full weeks of May

# Pikesville High School Inter-scholastic Athletics 2010-2011

Dear Prospective Athlete and Parents:

Pikesville High School offers the following inter-scholastic sports for the 2010-2011 school year:

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Winter</b>	<b>Spring</b>
Football	Cheerleading	Baseball
Soccer Boy's	Wrestling	Softball
Soccer Girl's	Indoor Track Boy's	Lacrosse Boy's
Field Hockey	Indoor Track Girl's	Lacrosse Girl's
Volleyball Girl's	Basketball Boy's	Tennis
Badminton	Basketball Girl's	Track and Field Boy's
Cross County Boy's	Allied Bowling	Track and Field Girl's
Cross Country Girl's		
Cheerleading		
Golf (boy's and Girl's)		

Fall Sports Registration and sportsmanship night 5 PM on Wednesday August 11, 2010

**Fall tryouts/practices start on Saturday, August 14, 2010**

Winter Sports Registration and sportsmanship night 5 PM on Wednesday November 10, 2010

**Winter tryouts/practices start on Monday, November 15, 2010**

Spring Sports Registration and sportsmanship night 5-PM on Wednesday February 23, 2011

**Spring tryouts/practices start on Tuesday, March 1, 2011**

In order to participate in a high school sport at Pikesville High School, each athlete must have the following items on **file with the Athletic Director** prior to participation:

1. **Current Athletic Medical form** (included in this packet). Physical forms are valid for 1 calendar year from the date signed by the doctor. **This is a different form from the high school medical evaluation for enrollment.** (File may be found on the Forms and Information link on the athletic web page) \*3 pages need to be complete and signed in the appropriate locations
2. **Parent permission form** for each specific sport with **current insurance policy** information.(Included in this packet) School insurance is available and form will be available in the main office of the school during the month of August, school insurance forms and payment **must be given to the Athletic Director** to be sent in for record purposes. (File may be found on the Forms and Information link on the athletic web page) **Form must be signed for each sport(separate form)**
3. A signed copy of the **Pikesville Student/Athlete Parent Sportsmanship expectations and policies.** (\*This is New this Year and is included in this packet\*)(File may be found on the Forms and Information link on the athletic web page)

Coaches will discuss tryout /practice days and requirements other than those mentioned above at the Registration and sportsmanship night.

All athletes and parents are expected to attend the registration and sportsmanship information evening for each season.

Specific Tryout days, times and locations will be posted on the school athletic website (located on the school home webpage) in early July.

Please feel free to contact the Athletic Director, Ted Winner with any questions

Office 410-887-1257

Email [wwinner@bcps.org](mailto:wwinner@bcps.org).

Thank you and enjoy the 2010-2011 school year

## Pikesville Athletic Family Pass

The cost for a Family Pass for the 2010-2011 school year is \$80.00 which covers the cost of admission to all REGULAR season home events where gate admission is charged. This is a great value over the course of the year as admission prices are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students/Senior citizens who do not join. When listing family members on the registration form, please **DO NOT** include Aunts, Uncles, cousins, etc. The list **SHOULD** only include parents and children at the listed address (even those at college) and grandparents. Please complete the tear-off below and return it to Mr. Winner, Athletic Director, in the main office or mail it to him at: Pikesville High School, 7621 Labyrinth Rd., Baltimore, Md. 21208. Checks (\$80.00) should be made out to PHS Athletics

### Family Athletic Pass, 2010-2011

PLEASE PRINT

Parent/guardian names: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Students at PHS: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Other siblings at this address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Grandparent's names (Full names): \_\_\_\_\_

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The logo for Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) features the letters V, P, and A in a stylized, colorful font. The 'V' is purple and red, the 'P' is yellow and green, and the 'A' is blue and purple. Below the letters, there are colorful brushstrokes in shades of purple, red, yellow, and blue.

**Visual and Performing Arts Department News**

## **Music Department Calendar**

8/19	Music Boosters Meeting 7:00PM
8/24	Music Booster Meet & Greet Ice Cream Social 7:00PM
9/2	Music Booster Meeting 7:00PM
<b>9/26</b>	<b>Music Booster Car Wash 10AM – 3:00PM</b>
10/2	All Honors Auditions TBD
10/7	Music Booster Meeting 7:00PM
10/18	Fundraiser Begins
10/26	Pops Concert for all Performing Groups 7:30PM
11/4	Music Booster's Meeting 7:00PM
11/9	Tri-M Induction Ceremony & Recital 7:30PM
11/13	All-State Junior Group Auditions
11/15	Baltimore Honors Group Concert @ Meyerhoff 7:30PM
11/19	Fundraiser Ends
11/20	All-State Senior Group Auditions

*(Note that students will receive a more complete performance calendar at the start of school, the above information is provided for planning purpose only.)*

## **MUSIC BOOSTERS**

Please support your school music program by joining Music Boosters. Membership and donations to Music Boosters sponsor guest conductors, artists-in-residence, instrument purchases and repairs, field trips, scholarships, community performances, and the Musical Awards Banquet at Pikesville High School.

Please fill out the membership form in this newsletter and return it to the PHS Music Department, 7621 Labyrinth Rd., Baltimore, Maryland 21208, or your student's music or chorus teacher. Checks are payable to: ***Pikesville High School Music Boosters, Inc.*** We are a § 501(c) charitable organization and donations are eligible for a tax deduction. Please sign up for one of our volunteer opportunities too! We can be contacted at: [pikesvillemusicboosters@gmail.com](mailto:pikesvillemusicboosters@gmail.com). We are looking forward to a great year!



## Notes from the PHS Music Boosters

Welcome back to our returning students and a warm welcome to our incoming 9th grade music students and their families!

We look forward to another **FABULOUS** year!

*Pikesville High Music Boosters provides funding to enrich the quality of the PHS Music program for our students. We sponsor guest conductors, field trips, community performances, the Music Banquet and Gala, and instrument purchases and repair.*

Please complete the tear-off form below and return it to the PHS Music Department or your student's teacher. Checks are payable to: **Pikesville High School Music Boosters, Inc.**, 7621 Labyrinth Rd., Baltimore., MD 21208. Please sign up for one of our volunteer opportunities too! We are looking forward to a great year. Thank you for your support.

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Parent/Guardian Names: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of student[s] in Music Program: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\$50 \_\_\_ *Appassionato*    \$30 \_\_\_ *Vivace*    \$15 \_\_\_ *Allegro*    \$ \_\_\_ *(Other)*

***Donations to PHS Music Boosters are deductible as contributions to a § 501(c)(3) organization.***

I can assist with the following:

\_\_\_ Donate baked goods/beverages to bake sales

\_\_\_ Work at bake sale booth

\_\_\_ Help with one of our fundraisers

\_\_\_ Chaperone music trip

**If you have any questions or if you'd like to join our planning committee please contact**

**Tracy Lavin or Laura Beser: [pikevillemusicboosters@gmail.com](mailto:pikevillemusicboosters@gmail.com)**

# 75 Hours of Community Service - A Maryland State Requirement for Graduation

Senior year can be an exciting and enjoyable year for students if they have prepared for it. Students should make sure that they will have enough credits to graduate, that they think about life beyond high school by planning for college or a job, and that they participate in all the social activities which made high school so memorable. One issue that many seniors don't think about, however, is Student Service Learning.

Since middle school all BCPS students have had the opportunity to earn Student Service Learning hours through projects completed in their classes. By the end of students' sophomore year, they should have accumulated enough credits to fulfill the state requirement. Congratulations to all students who completed their hours long ago or have completed service learning hours this past summer. Approval forms for all projects are available in the main office or in room 102A. Remember, service learning hours must include **preparation, action, verification**, and then **reflection**. Please submit your verification of hours sheets and reflection activities to Mr. Johnson. Also, take a few moments to verify your hours, keeping in mind that summer hours have not yet been recorded. Parents, please look at your student's last report card to determine how many hours he/she has completed.

Seniors who have not completed their hours should use this time to complete them by the first day of school, August 30th. **Seniors will not be allowed to obtain a parking permit, leave campus to attend a college course, go to a job, or participate in an internship unless their community service requirement is met.** If you have any questions, please call the school at 410-239-6847 and leave a message for Mr. Johnson, the Student Service Learning Coordinator, or email him at [kjohnson2@bcps.org](mailto:kjohnson2@bcps.org).

## STUDENT SERVICE LEARNING IS NOT:

- Working for a relative for free
- Working for a commercial for-profit business for free (pizza parlor, cleaning service, pharmacy, clothing store, etc.)
- Helping a teacher grade papers
- Filing or typing at a non-profit business or charity
- Just a requirement for graduation

## STUDENT SERVICE LEARNING IS:

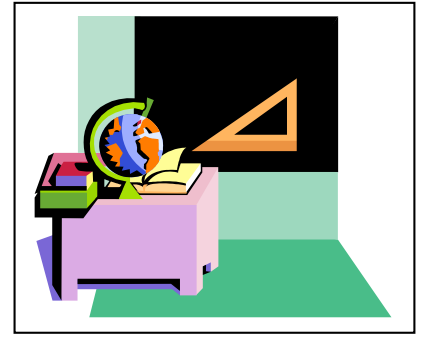
- Working for a non-profit business directly helping those in need
- Helping out at a soup kitchen
- Volunteering at a nursing home
- Cleaning up a park or stream under supervision
- Participating in a race or other activity for a charity
- Working for a hospital
- Creating and assembling teacher bulletin boards
- Tutoring elementary, middle, or high school students after school under supervision
- Any supervised activity in which you volunteer to help others in the school or community

Your duty as a citizen of Maryland and the United States is to give back something of yourself.

# PIKESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

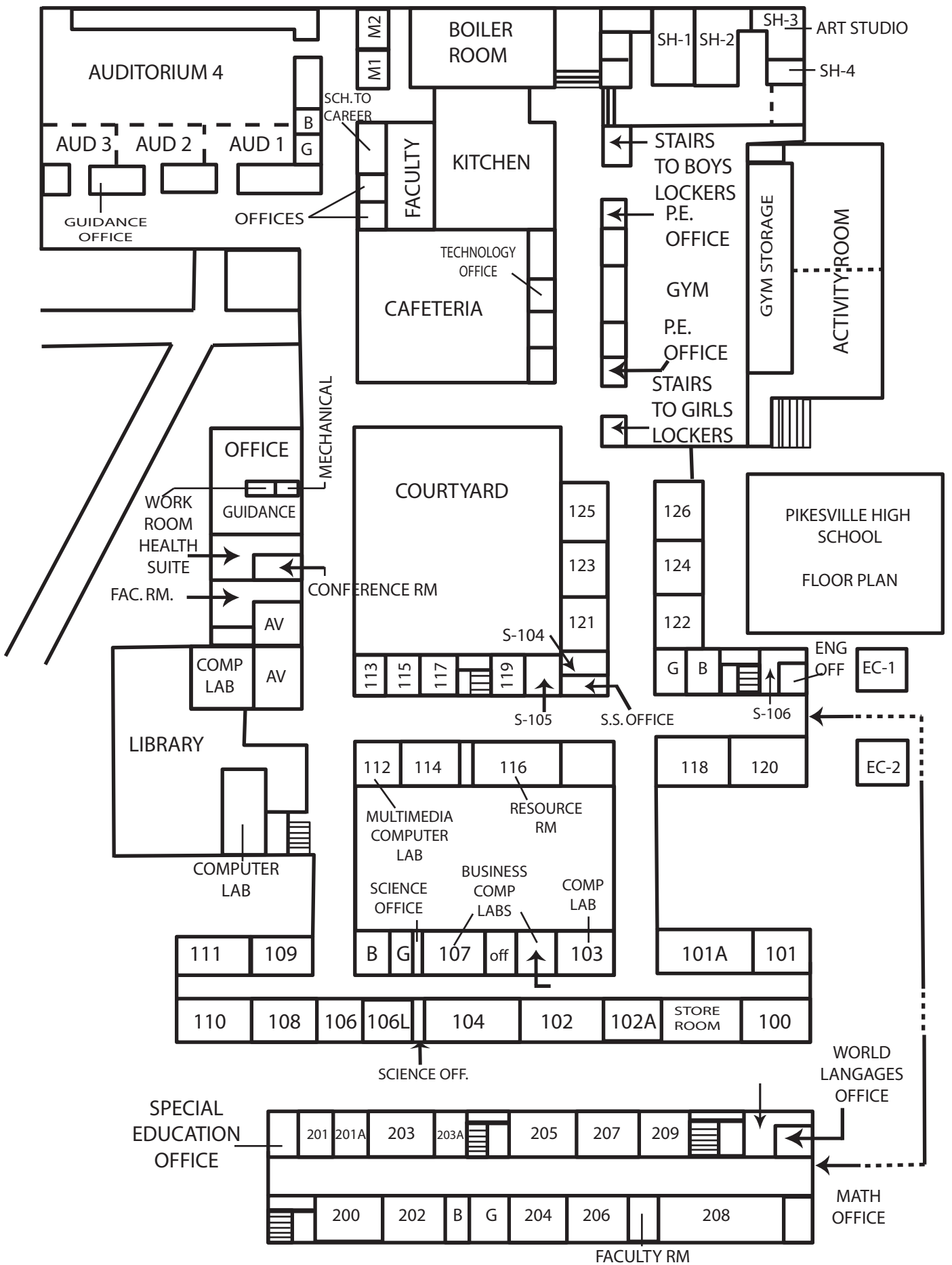
## BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT

**THURSDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2010**



Please transfer your student's Thursday schedule to this form and bring it to auditorium on Thursday, September 16, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. (A map of the school is on the reverse side).

Period	Subject	Room	Teacher
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			





## School to Career Transition

The work experience program underwent important changes in 2009-2010. All students in this program now take two classes: *Introduction to Career Research and Development* and *Advanced Career Research and Development*. In addition, these students will work a minimum of 10 hours per week in jobs in the community. This program is a completer for graduation and counts as four credits, one for each class and two for the work experience.

All participants in the work experience program **MUST** have required paperwork completed and turned in to Ms. Murray, program coordinator, before any jobs will be officially approved or any credit given for hours worked. Ms. Murray will be in the School to Career Transition office at PHS during the weeks of August 9-12 and 16-19 to meet with parents. Please call 410 887 1222 to leave a message or email her at [mmurray2@bcps.org](mailto:mmurray2@bcps.org).

### **Internships at Pikesville!**

Our outstanding internship program continues to attract PHS seniors to financial offices, labs, hospitals, corporate offices, area schools, advertising firms, veterinary hospitals and many other careers of interest.

All interns **MUST** have required paperwork completed and turned in to Ms. Murray before any internships are officially approved or any credit given for hours worked. Please contact the School to Career Transition office at 410 887 1222 or email [mmurray2@bcps.org](mailto:mmurray2@bcps.org). Ms. Murray will be at PHS the weeks of August 9-12 and 16-19 to meet with students and parents, but may be reached by email in the meantime.

### **Part Time Jobs and Internships Needed**

Do you have a place in your business for a high school student who is learning about what it means to be part of the work force? Or could you be a mentor for a senior who wants to learn about a career?

Pikesville High School's School to Career Transition Program is always seeking new part-time positions for our work experience students earning credits for graduation. These students take morning classes focusing on all aspects of work readiness and need jobs in the afternoons, evenings or weekends. They are monitored in their work, are accountable to their school as well as their employer, and earn a grade for their job performance. They must work at least 10 hours per week.

A second group of students, those seniors in internships, is focused on learning about a specific career of interest. Becoming a mentor to one of these students, for ten hours a week, is an important way to reach out to a young person preparing to make important life decisions. Interns are also accountable to both school and internship site and earn a grade for their work.

Both these programs are vital parts of our curriculum at Pikesville High School, and both offer the community powerful means to reach out and affect the lives of young people on the verge of entering the post-high school world. If you are interested in either program, please contact Mary Murray, program coordinator, at 410 887 1222 or [mmurray2@bcps.org](mailto:mmurray2@bcps.org)

## **New Scholarships ?**

**If you know of someone who might be interested in contributing a scholarship, please encourage him/her to contact Mr. Lubinski at 410-887-1219.**

## **Calling for Future Educators-----**

Attention Students:

Are you interested in teaching? What about working in the field of education, counselling or administration? If so, you should join the Bea Gaddy Future Educators of Pikesville High School! FEA provides first hand insight about teaching as well as the various facets of the educational field. Students meet once a month, participate in Shadow Day, perform community service, take college trips, and attend a once a year county-wide conference. In addition, students learn about the matriculation process and scholarship opportunities for college.

If you are interested in pursuing a career in this noble profession, please consider joining in the fall. You may email Ms. Natalie Bailey at [nbailey@bcps.org](mailto:nbailey@bcps.org) or sign up in room 100 for more information.

## **DRESSING FOR SUCCESS**

In order to continue to foster an environment conducive to academic success, the administration, staff, and School Improvement Team have outlined some basic expectations for dress during the school day.

No hats, headgear, visors, hoods, head wraps, bandanas, sweatbands, sunglasses, or hair stockings should be worn during the school day. If a student needs to wear a head covering for religious or medical reasons, the parent/guardian should write a note to the appropriate administrator explaining the situation. We need a clear view of students' faces for security reasons.

No wearing of beads by males or any other accessory that could be construed as representing a gang culture. Our focus is on education.

In addition, students need to choose clothing that promotes an academic/business atmosphere. Graphics and wording on shirts should not advertise or allude to drugs, alcohol, sex or tobacco. Also, the text should not contain inappropriate language. Male students should wear sleeved shirts and wear their pants on their hips. Female students should refrain from wearing low-cut shirts/tops and pants that create inappropriate body exposure. Female tank top straps should be at least an inch wide to cover bra straps. Midriffs should be covered while standing and sitting.

If a student's attire is determined to be inappropriate for the school environment, he/she will be asked to change clothes or have a parent bring in a change of clothing.

Thank you for your support as we endeavor to maintain a positive business-model atmosphere that cultivates academic achievement.

## **After School Activities:**

Although the instructional day ends at 2:15 p.m., we have many clubs, coach classes, and sports team programs for students to participate in after school hours. We encourage students to become involved in these programs. Unfortunately, we cannot have students in the building after 2:30 p.m. who are not directly involved and supervised in one of the above mentioned activities.

Students should ride their assigned bus home after school or be picked up no later than 2:30 p.m. on days when they have no after school activities. Prior arrangements should be made for students to be picked up at the conclusion of after school activities. Students should wait outside for their transportation, as there is no supervision in the building at that time.

## **Late Arrival Interferes With Student Achievement.**

Instruction begins promptly at 7:45 a.m. Busses arrive at approximately 7:30 a.m. At that time students can come into the building, get a library pass, go to their lockers, and get ready for the day. There seems to be a large number of students who drive or get a ride to school who are entering the building too late to be seated in their first period class by 7:45 a.m. In order to be successful in first period classes, students need to arrive between 7:30 a.m. and 7:35 a.m. so they have time to get organized for instruction.



## **SAFETY No cars on bus loops -- please**

In order to provide safe and efficient transportation for our students, the bus loop in front of the school will be closed to cars for student drop off and pick-up. When dropping off and picking up your student, please use the Student Parking Lot.

## **Food and Drink at Pikesville High**

As you know, we are not an air-conditioned building. The cafeteria is the only floor that is washed and disinfected every day. All beverages other than water and all food may only be consumed in the cafeteria.

We encourage students to carry water to keep hydrated during the warm months. We have water machines throughout the building, or students can bring water from home. Students **may not** carry coffee or canned sodas in the building.

Pikesville High School, like all Baltimore County High Schools, is a closed campus. Students **may not leave for lunch or have food delivered to the school from a restaurant.** Students should either pack a lunch from home or purchase food from the school cafeteria.

## **Cell Phones and iPods**

The *BCPS Student Handbook* states that all electronic communication devices must be turned off and stored in the locker, book bag, automobile, or purse during school hours and while being transported on the bus. This includes all the time between 7:30 a.m. when students enter the hallway until 2:15 p.m. We adhere strictly to this policy. If a student is found with a cell phone out during the day, it will be confiscated and locked in our safe. Parents will be sent a copy of the policy and will have to come up to school to retrieve the phone after 2:15 p.m.

Our instructional program does not need musical accompaniment. iPods are not to be on anytime during the school day including lunch. Stow earphones in pockets or back packs unless needed for a specific class.

Not only do these items distract from the instructional environment but they are also targets for theft. If your child keeps a phone or iPod in a zippered section of his/her backpack, you can buy locks for this section. We are not responsible for items stolen in the school. Most of our thefts are thefts of opportunity. Someone walks past a backpack that is unzipped and sitting right inside the zipper is a shiny phone or MP3 player. Encourage students to keep their phones securely stored during the school day.

## **LUNCH/BREAKFAST MEAL PRICES AND APPLICATION**

Breakfast will be \$1.55 at secondary schools. Reduced price breakfast will be \$0.30

Lunch will be \$3.00 at secondary schools. Reduced price lunch will be \$0.40

As a result of the Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004, a new "household" free and reduced-price meal application will be utilized for the 2009-2010 school year, replacing the individual application previously used. Prior year meal benefit eligibility status expires on October 7, 2010. Families must reapply for meal benefits using the "household" application. The August/September School Menus may be accessed from the BCPS website at [www.bcps.org/offices/ofns](http://www.bcps.org/offices/ofns).

### **Breakfast à la carte**

<b>Bagel &amp; Cream cheese</b>	<b>\$1.25</b>
<b>Breakfast Yogurt Parfait</b>	<b>\$1.25</b>
<b>Cereal</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
<b>Cornbread Loaf</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
<b>Crackers, Fun Shapes</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Fresh Fruit</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Elfin Crackers</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Hot Breakfast Entrée</b>	<b>\$1.25</b>
<b>Juice 100%</b>	<b>\$ .55</b>
<b>Power Wheel</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
<b>String Cheese</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Wheat Breakfast Bun</b>	<b>\$1.25</b>

### **Snacks**

<b>Chips</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Fun Fruit Gummies</b>	<b>\$ .35</b>
<b>Fruit Roll Up</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Funnel Cakes</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Ice Cream Novelties</b>	<b>\$ .60</b>
<b>Linden's Chippers</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Linden's Cookies</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Little Debbie's Cakes</b>	<b>\$ .35</b>
<b>Little Debbie's Cookies</b>	<b>\$ .35</b>
<b>Popcorn, Pretzels</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Pretzel</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Soft Pretzel</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>

### **Lunch à la carte**

<b>Fruit, Fresh or Canned</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Lunch Entrée a la carte</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
<b>Rice</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Roll or Bread</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Soup, Chicken Noodle</b>	<b>\$1.50</b>
<b>Soup, Tomato</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
<b>Vegetable, Hot or Cold</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
<b>Yogurt, 8oz.</b>	<b>\$1.60</b>

### **Beverages**

<b>Bottled Water, 8oz.</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Bottled Water, 16oz.</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Canned Juice</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Crystal Light Packets</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
<b>Gatorade &amp; Propel</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Juice 100%, 4oz.</b>	<b>\$ .55</b>
<b>Milk</b>	<b>\$ .60</b>
<b>Switch</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>

## **NON-SUFFICIENT FUNDS (NSF) CHECKS RESTITUTION PROGRAM**

Baltimore County Public Schools has a procedure in place for the collection of non-sufficient funds (NSF) checks. NSF checks will be submitted to the Baltimore County State's Attorney Bad Check Restitution Program. This program will be in effect starting the first day of school.

Issuers of dishonored checks presented to BCPS will be sent a letter and given 10 days to submit full payment of the amount of the check plus actual bank charges incurred by BCPS. If this payment is not received by the end of 10 days, the issuer will be sent a second letter and given additional 10 days to submit full payment of the amount of the check plus \$35.00 for any bank charges. If payment is not received at the end of the 20 day period, BCPS will turn over the dishonored check to the Baltimore County State's Attorney Bad Check Restitution Program for collection and criminal prosecution.

## **Bullying, Harassment, or Intimidation Newsletter Information**

On July 1, 2008, the Maryland General Assembly directed the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), in consultation with the local school systems, to develop and adopt a model policy prohibiting bullying, harassment, or intimidation in schools. The Maryland State Board of Education approved its model policy on February 24, 2009.

As a result of MSDE's model policy, the Board of Education of Baltimore County approved the new Board of Education Policy and Superintendent's Rule 5580, "Bullying, Harassment, or Intimidation," which prohibits students from engaging in intentional conduct involving bullying, harassment, or intimidation, which can substantially interfere with a student's educational opportunities, or any acts of retaliation against those who report instances of bullying, harassment, or intimidation.

Use the "*Bullying, Harassment or Intimidation Reporting Form*" to track alleged instances of bullying, harassment, or intimidation. The form is available at your local school or on the Baltimore County Public Schools' Website under the "Student" and "Parent" tabs. You may contact the school for additional information or assistance at any time.

# PHS Class of 2011

## Welcome back, SENIORS!

Get ready for a great senior year!

Passing the HSAs and completing 75 hours of community service are GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS! Seniors who have not passed their HSAs will test in October – See Mrs. O'Brien if this might be you! Seniors CANNOT have a parking pass for school if they do not have all of their service learning hours completed. Email your advisors or Mr. Johnson if you need help completing your service learning hours.

Spirit Week kicks off on September 20<sup>th</sup> so mark your calendar and get ready for PowderPuff, the Homecoming Dance, and the Homecoming game! Start saving up your coins for Change Wars and start practicing your football plays for PowderPuff!

Keep up-to-date on all of the news for the Pikesville High School Class of 2011 by visiting our website at <http://pikesvillehs.bcps.org/> - Edline

If you have any fundraising ideas or if you know how to help the Senior Class in any way, please email Mrs. Meltzer or Ms. Margolis at the addresses below!

We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on August 30<sup>th</sup>!

Mrs. Meltzer [jmeltzer@bcps.org](mailto:jmeltzer@bcps.org) or Ms. Margolis [smargolis@bcps.org](mailto:smargolis@bcps.org)

# Graduation 2011



Graduating seniors and their parents, relatives, and friends should tentatively reserve Wednesday, June 1, 2010, to celebrate the Commencement for the Class of 2011. The day will begin with a mandatory rehearsal for all graduating seniors at Towson Center at 7:30 a.m. (tentative time) and will culminate with the Commencement ceremony at 7:00 p.m. that evening. Look for additional updates and more specifics concerning graduation in future newsletters and on the school's web page. Pikesville High School is on the web at <http://www.phs.edu/>

## **Senior Portraits**

Senior portraits were taken July 29 and 30. Retakes will be done on September 2 and 3 from 2:30-9:00 p.m. and on October 25 from 2:30-9:00 p.m.

## **Underclass portrait dates**

Underclass portraits will be taken during the school day on October 20. Retakes will be done on December 1. Those are the only days for underclass portraits.

## **Class of 2011 Sponsors and News**

For any information on the class of 2011 contact:

Ms. Margolis [smargolis@bcps.org](mailto:smargolis@bcps.org)

Mrs. Meltzer [jmeltzer@bcps.org](mailto:jmeltzer@bcps.org)

## **ATTENTION JUNIOR CLASS PARENTS**

We need you to help chaperone the 2011 After Prom Party. It's your chance to observe what an After Prom is really about! For a change, YOU can tell your juniors something about their Senior year! Please consider helping with this fun-filled event! We need 25 people to staff this event. Without your help we are not able to continue the evening in a safe drug and alcohol-free environment. This is the 14<sup>th</sup> year for the party and with your commitment we can do it. Please email to sign up today! [Pikesville.pts@gmail.com](mailto:Pikesville.pts@gmail.com)

## **Class of 2012 Sponsors**

For any information on the class of 2012 contact:

Mr. Fontinell: [jfontinell@bcps.org](mailto:jfontinell@bcps.org) or

Mr. Johnson: [kjohnson2@bcps.org](mailto:kjohnson2@bcps.org)

## **Class of 2013**

Mr. Barberesi: [mbarberesi@bcps.org](mailto:mbarberesi@bcps.org)

Mr. Lange: [blange@bcps.org](mailto:blange@bcps.org)

## **Class of 2014**

Ms. Bauer: [rbauer@bcps.org](mailto:rbauer@bcps.org)

Mr. Pickering: [spickering@bcps.org](mailto:spickering@bcps.org)

## **Parents of ALL classes**

Your students are getting a great education at Pikesville High School. In addition to the dedicated Administration, Teachers, and staff, *we need parents who are involved*. You may concentrate in one area such as Music, Drama, Sports, or help the ENTIRE school through the PTSA. Anyone can guide you to the right person. You CAN make difference – find out how!

Sincerely,

*Lois W Stern, PTSA President* [Pikesville.pts@gmail.com](mailto:Pikesville.pts@gmail.com)

# Pikesville High School PTSA

## Join Us...

We support our students & school - with projects like:

Edline Training	Student Planners
College Planning Programs	Safe After Prom Party
Shakespeare Workshop	Teacher Appreciation Activities
Substance Abuse Program	Alumni of the Year Recognition
New Auditorium Projection Screen	... <i>your idea HERE!!</i>

Mr. Mitzel comes to our monthly meetings!! Shouldn't you?!

**\*\*learn what's happening at our school\*\***

come to a meeting ... join a committee ... share your ideas ...

Even if you do not have the time to volunteer on a committee or attend PTA meetings, your membership dues provide us with the necessary funds and the strength of many voices at the county, state, and national levels. It is one small, but important, way that every parent can be involved.

Email: [Pikesville.pts@gmail.com](mailto:Pikesville.pts@gmail.com)

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## MEMBERSHIP FORM

Our goal is 100% participation. We strive for at least one membership per student. Membership is open to parents, guardians, students, staff and friends of PHS.

**DIRECT DONATION APPEAL** - the primary fundraiser for our organization. *[Please note that school departments and clubs have separate fundraisers.]* Every dollar of your donation stays at PHS to help the school and your student[s]. You may contribute at the following levels:

\*Diamond \$100 (or more) \_\_\_ \*Emerald \$75 \_\_\_ \*Ruby \$50 \_\_\_ \*Gold \$25 \_\_\_

### Membership Dues:

___ 1 Adult     \$12	___ Student[s]     @ \$5 each
___ 2 Adults     \$20	___ Teacher/Staff     \$5

TOTAL DUE PHS PTSA: \$\_\_\_\_\_ MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO PHS PTSA

Member Name[s]: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name[s] and class year[s]: \_\_\_\_\_

Email *[PTSA purposes only]*

- PRINT CLEARLY please: \_\_\_\_\_

### I CAN HELP WITH: *check as many as you like!*

___ Back to School night	___ Creating Newsletter [prior to interim, quarterly]
___ Program Committee	___ Flower sale before Mother's Day - during school
___ After Prom Committee	___ Membership Committee - help during PHS activities
___ Alumni Wall	___ ANYTHING - once in a while - during school
___ Teacher Appreciation Committee	___ ANYTHING - once in a while - eve &/or wkends

**ATTENTION ALL WRITERS, MUSICIANS, CHOREOGRAPHERS,  
PHOTOGRAPHERS, STARVING ARTISTS, AND FILM MAKERS**

## **The 2010–2011 Reflections Program Theme is “Together we can.”**

The PTSA of Pikesville High School is happy to announce that the National PTA sponsored Reflections program will be offered to our students again this school year. Perhaps you have heard of it? This cultural arts program is designed to provide an opportunity for students to express themselves creatively and receive positive recognition for their artistic efforts.

Students at Pikesville High School as well as throughout Baltimore County are challenged to create art that supports a specific theme. The theme for 2010-2011 is "Together we can." The Reflections program, which has been in existence for 40 years, offers students the opportunity to create original works of art in six areas: dance choreography, film/videography, literature, musical composition, photography and visual arts. Entries from our students in each of the six arts areas will be judged by experts in each field and then the winning entries will be submitted by our PTSA to the PTA Council for county judging. Entries winning county awards of excellence are forwarded to Maryland PTA for state judging. Maryland PTA will then forward 24 entries to National PTA for national judging.

Prizes will be awarded at each level. Last year, our first year participating in the program, several of our students received awards at the county and state levels. One ninth grader even went on to receive the highest award possible from the National PTA Reflections program for her photography.

We look forward to providing this program to our students once again and hope that your son or daughter will take advantage of this opportunity to showcase his/her talents!

Stay tuned for more news and official information!

To view a gallery of last year's national award-winning entries, visit [www.pta.org](http://www.pta.org).

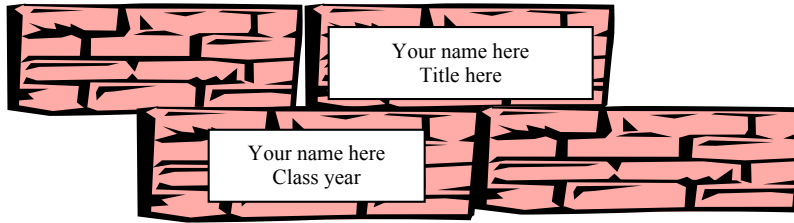
Program Coordinator:  
Bonnie Murphy  
[Pikesville.pts@gmail.com](mailto:Pikesville.pts@gmail.com)

### **After Prom Committee**

Please let us know if you are interested in joining this committee by e-mailing us at [Pikesville.pts@gmail.com](mailto:Pikesville.pts@gmail.com)

We will provide the details about our first meeting in October. This is a great way to meet a wonderful group of PHS parents and give back to the community by keeping our kids safe and off the roads until 5:00 am!

# Alumni Wall



## *Dear Graduating Seniors, Parents and Other Alumni:*

Pikesville High School PTSA has established an Alumni Wall of Honor, giving all graduates the opportunity to create a permanent tribute to their high school days. A brick wall in the front lobby has been dedicated to this purpose.

For a donation of \$25 per brick, a brass colored plaque with the name and year of graduation will be affixed to the wall. If you attended Pikesville, we invite you to purchase a plaque.

The money raised will be used by the PTSA to fund the school planners, and other programs and goals.

Please complete the form below, attach your check, *made payable to PHS PTSA*, and mail or bring it to Pikesville High School, 7621 Labyrinth Road, Baltimore, MD 21208.

*Indicate "Alumni Wall" on the front of the envelope.*

Thank you for participating in and perpetuating this distinctive tradition!

Questions? Feel free to email us: [Pikesville.ptsa@gmail.com](mailto:Pikesville.ptsa@gmail.com)

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Please print clearly the name and year of graduation, as you wish it to appear on the plaque.  
*You may order as many as you like, 2 spaces have been placed below.*

1] Name & Date \_\_\_\_\_


2] Name & Date \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed @\$25 per name \_\_\_\_\_

We will acknowledge receipt of you money AND arrival of your plaque by e-mail:

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ *please print clearly!*

**“Help” without giving money OR time?  
“YES!!!”  
-following are 3 choices:**

 **ONE**-- Target Credit Cards Can Support Our School  
TARGET.

If you already have a Target credit card, you can contact Target at [target.com](http://target.com) or call 1-800-316-6142 to designate Pikesville High School as your school of choice. Once you do this, 1% of money you spend at Target will come back to us. If you are planning on signing up for a Target credit card in the near future, be sure to designate us as your school of choice. Each fall we get a check from Target that we use for students who need school supplies.

**1) Sign up AGAIN for  
Giant A+ Bonus Bucks**

Once your grocery card is registered, PHS will receive a small percentage of your grocery purchase every time you swipe your card at the store. These small amounts can add up – and bring extra dollars to our school each year. *...and still get \$\$ off your SHELL GAS!*

You can renew your Giant Bonus Card at Back to School Night or your local Giant store at the Customer Service Desk or via the Internet. Log on to [www.giantfood.com](http://www.giantfood.com). **Our school ID number is 01303.**

**TWO — yes,  
2 ways Giant  
gives \$\$  
back!**

**2) GIANT  
GIFT CARDS**



**This is an INCREDIBLE deal for PHS.**

**If you buy groceries, and/or prescriptions at Giant, you can buy a Giant Gift Card from a PTSA Officer.**

**You pay FACE value. PHS makes money through the VOLUME that we buy.**

**There are gift cards at \$20, \$25, \$50, \$100. You can also buy OTHER gift cards at Giant with *their* gift cards!!!**

# THREE -- Office Depot

Take one of the slips that appear below OR just mention Pikesville High School to the cashier!!! Our School will receive 5%. Just like that!!!! Give another 'card' to a friend or family member. Make copies!!! The more the better!!!

<p><b>Office DEPOT.</b> <b>5% Back to Schools Program</b></p> <p><u>Pikesville High School</u> <b>School ID# <u>70045833</u></b></p> <p>Present this card when purchasing school supplies. We grant 5% credits to your school on qualified purchases. Exclusions apply. Program limited to Pre-K-12th grade. Ask a store associate or visit <a href="http://www.officedepot.com">www.officedepot.com</a> or <a href="http://www.officedepot.ca">www.officedepot.ca</a> for Program terms and conditions.</p>	<p><b>Office DEPOT.</b> <b>5% Back to Schools Program</b></p> <p><u>Pikesville High School</u> <b>School ID# <u>70045833</u></b></p> <p>Present this card when purchasing school supplies. We grant 5% credits to your school on qualified purchases. Exclusions apply. Program limited to Pre-K-12th grade. Ask a store associate or visit <a href="http://www.officedepot.com">www.officedepot.com</a> or <a href="http://www.officedepot.ca">www.officedepot.ca</a> for Program terms and conditions.</p>
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Dear Parents, Community members and PHS Supporters:

The AVID program is a College Readiness class offered in grades 9-12 that prepares students for academic excellence and matriculation into a four year college. Students learn strategies, visit colleges, and engage in rigorous writing and standardized college testing preparation. In attempts to assist AVID financially, we need your help.

The EcoPhones Recycling Fundraiser pays us per item! There's nothing to buy and nothing to sell. Simply **look around your home and ask** neighbors, co-workers, and local businesses to donate and recycle their used consumer electronics:

- \* Cell Phones (no accessories needed!)
- \* Laptop Computers
- \* Digital Cameras
- \* Cartridges for Ink Jet Printers
- \* Apple iPods or other MP3 players
- \* Digital Video Cameras

**We will earn cash for every item guaranteed!**

Please **bring** any of the above items to the main office at Pikesville High School and **drop them in** the box labeled **AVID Fundraiser**. For any questions, please contact Ms. Bailey at [nbailey@bcps.org](mailto:nbailey@bcps.org).

## And... more recycling...

Help PHS raise money just by putting paper in our NEW recycling bin near the stadium entrance.



WE ACCEPT ALL:

- NEWSPAPERS
- MAGAZINES
- CATALOGS
- MAIL
- (No phone books nor cardboard, please)
- ENVELOPES (with windows!)
- FOLDERS
- FAX and COPY PAPER
- COLORED PAPER

# BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

6901 Charles Street Towson, MD • 21204-3711

TO: Parents, Teachers, and Employees of the Baltimore County Public Schools

FROM: Robert Merrey, Supervisor  
Department of Physical Facilities  
Environmental Services

DATE: July 1, 2010

RE: Notification of Availability of Asbestos Management Plans

On October 22, 1986, the United States Congress enacted the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). Under this law, comprehensive regulations were developed to address asbestos problems in public and private elementary and secondary schools. These regulations require schools to inspect for friable and non-friable asbestos, develop an asbestos management plan that addresses asbestos hazards in school buildings, and implement response actions in a timely manner.

Baltimore County Public Schools' program for fulfilling these responsibilities is outlined in our Asbestos Management Plan. This plan contains information on our inspection, re-inspection, response actions, and post-response action activities, including periodic re-inspections and surveillance activities that are planned or are in progress.

You may review this plan at the Department of Physical Facilities, 9610 Pulaski Park Drive, Suite 204, Baltimore, Maryland 21220, or at the school or office with which you or your children may be associated.

If you have any questions regarding Baltimore County Public Schools' Asbestos Management Program, please contact me at 410-887-6310.

**DEAR PARENT OR GUARDIAN:**

The Baltimore County Public Schools serve meals each school day, which may be purchased at the published school prices. For those who qualify, meals are also available free or at a reduced price. The reduced price is \$.40 for lunch and \$.30 for breakfast. All meals served meet nutrition standards established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). However, if a child has been determined by a doctor to have a disability that would prevent the child from eating the regular school meal, the Office of Food and Nutrition Services will make any substitutions as prescribed by the doctor at no extra charge. If you believe your child needs substitutions due to a disability, please call 410-887-7855 for further information.

- Most children in households that receive Food Supplement Program (FSP – formerly known as the Food Stamp Program) benefits or temporary cash assistance (TCA) are eligible to receive free meals.
- Most foster children may receive free meals regardless of your income.
- If your total household income is the same or less than the amounts on the Income Chart below, your child(ren) qualifies for free or reduced price meals.
- Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals.
- Children certified as homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals.

**To apply for free or reduced price meals for your child(ren), you must complete a Household Meal Benefit Application for School Year 2009-2010 and return it to your youngest child’s school. Use one application for all children in your household. Be sure to fill out all required information since we cannot approve an application that is not complete. You or your children do not have to be a U.S. citizen to qualify for free or reduced price meals.**

**HOW TO APPLY:**

**If your household now receives food supplements or TCA,** the application must have the food supplement or TCA case number for **EACH** child you are applying for and the signature of an adult household member.

**If you are applying for a foster child,** the application must have the child's name, the child's "personal use" income, and the signature of the foster parent/official representing the child.

**If your household is homeless,** contact the pupil personnel worker at your child’s(ren’s) school. The pupil personnel worker will complete and submit an application for your household.

**If you do not list a food supplement or TCA case number for EACH child** in the household for whom you are applying, then the application must have the names of all household members, the amount of income each person received last month, where it came from, the signature of an adult household member, and that adult's social security number. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box indicating they do not have one.

**INCOME CHART**  
**(Effective July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010)**

Household Size	Year	Month	Week
1	\$20,036	\$1,670	\$ 386
2	\$26,955	\$2,247	\$ 519
3	\$33,874	\$2,823	\$ 652
4	\$40,793	\$3,400	\$ 785
5	\$47,712	\$3,976	\$ 918
6	\$54,631	\$4,553	\$1,051
7	\$61,550	\$5,130	\$1,184
8	\$68,469	\$5,706	\$1,317
For each add'l member add:	\$ 6,919	\$ 577	\$ 134

**VERIFICATION:** Your eligibility may be verified at any time during the school year. School officials may request you to send papers confirming that your children should receive free or reduced price meals.

**APPEAL:** You may call the Office of Food and Nutrition Services, 410-887-7860, if you have questions about your child’s(ren’s) eligibility determination. If you do not agree with your child’s(ren’s) eligibility determination, you may appeal by writing to Michele Prumo, Executive Director, Division of Business Services, Department of Planning and Support Operations, Baltimore County Public Schools, 1940-G Greenspring Drive, Timonium, MD 21093.

**CONFIDENTIALITY:** School officials will use the information on the application to determine eligibility of your child(ren). Please be advised that the name and eligibility status of your child(ren) may be:

- Given to local Title I officials for allocation and evaluation purposes.
- Used for the National Assessment of Educational Progress analyses or other authorized purposes.
- Given to other federal and state education or state health programs.

No other use of this information is permitted.

**REAPPLICATION:** You may apply for free and reduced price meals at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now but have a change such as a decrease in household income, an increase in household size, become unemployed, or receive food supplements or TCA for your children, you may fill out an application at that time.

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You will be notified about the results of your application.

Sincerely,  
Karen Levenstein, Director

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING HOUSEHOLD MEAL BENEFIT APPLICATION

**If your household receives FOOD SUPPLEMENT Program (FSP – formerly known as the FOOD STAMP Program) benefits or TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE (TCA), follow these instructions:**

- PART 1 - List name, school, grade, and birth date for all students attending BCPS. (Do not include **foster children** as a part of your household. They are considered a separate household.) List the food supplement number and/or TCA number (must be a 9 digit number) for **each** child.
- PART 2 - Skip this part.
- PART 3 - If any child listed in Part 1 **does not** receive food supplements or TCA, you **must also complete Part 3**.
- PART 4 - Sign the application and return to your youngest child's school. A social security number is not required if **all** children listed in Part 1 have a food supplement or TCA number.

**If you are applying for a FOSTER CHILD, follow these instructions:**

- PART 1 - Use a **SEPARATE application for EACH foster child**. List the name, school, grade, and birth date.
- PART 2 - Check the box and list the child's personal use monthly income, if any, or **"0"** if none.
- PART 3 - Skip this part.
- PART 4 - The foster parent/official representing the child must sign the application and return it to the child's school. A social security number is not required.

**ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS, including WIC households, follow these instructions:**

- PART 1 - List each name, school, grade, and birth date of all students attending BCPS. Do **not** include foster children.
- PART 2 - Skip this part.
- PART 3 - Follow these instructions to report **total household income** from last month.

**Names of household members:** List the first and last name of each person living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends). Your household includes all those living as one economic unit. You must include yourself and all children living with you. Children listed in Part 1 must also be listed here. **Do not list foster children**. Complete a separate application for each foster child. If needed, attach another sheet of paper.

**Gross Income:** Next to each person's name, list each type of income received last month and how often it was received. **Gross income is the amount earned before taxes and other deductions, not take-home pay.** The amount should be listed on your pay stub, or your employer can tell you. Next to the amount, **completely darken the circle in the appropriate frequency column that indicates how often income is received ("W" for weekly, "B" for bi-weekly/every 2 weeks, "T" for 2 times a month, "M" for monthly).** If any person in your household receives TCA, child support, alimony, pensions, retirement, social security, workers compensation, unemployment, strike benefits, supplemental security income (SSI), disability benefits, veterans benefits, regular contributions from people who do not live in your household, or any other income not specified, list the amount and frequency in the appropriate section. You must also report net income for self-owned business, farm, or rental income. If you are in the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include this housing allowance.

**No Income Box:** You **must** check the **"No Income"** box for **each** person in your household who has no income, including all children.

- PART 4 - An adult household member **must sign the application and list his or her social security number**, or mark the box if he or she does not have one. Return the application to your youngest child's school.

**\*PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT: This explains how the information you supply is utilized.**

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You are not required to supply this information. However, if you do not, your child(ren) cannot be approved for free or reduced price meals. The social security number of the adult household member signing the application must be included unless they do not have a social security number, the application is for a foster child, or a food supplement or TCA case number has been provided for the student(s). We will use your information to determine your child's(ren)'s eligibility for free or reduced price meals and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs; auditors for program reviews; and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

**BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Office of Food and Nutrition Services**  
**HOUSEHOLD MEAL BENEFIT APPLICATION**  
**School Year 2009 - 2010**

USE BLACK INK.  
DO NOT USE PENCIL.

Complete ONE application PER HOUSEHOLD. Complete a SEPARATE APPLICATION FOR EACH FOSTER CHILD. Instructions for completing this form are on the back. Sign your name and return this application to your YOUNGEST child's school. Call the Office of Food & Nutrition Services at 410-887-7860 if you need help.

**PART 1. LIST ALL CHILDREN ATTENDING BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (BCPS). Use a separate application for EACH foster child.**

Names of ALL children attending BCPS (First, Middle Initial, Last)	School Name	Grade	Birth Date (mm/dd/yy)	Food Supplement (formerly Food Stamp) or TCA Case Number (Skip to PART 4 if ALL children have a Case Number)				Student ID # (Office Use Only)			
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**PART 2. FOSTER CHILD. Complete if student listed in PART 1 is a FOSTER CHILD. Use a SEPARATE APPLICATION for EACH FOSTER CHILD.**

Check box  if this meal benefit application is for a child who is the legal responsibility of the Department of Social Services or court. Write the amount of the foster child's personal use monthly income. Write "0" if there is none. (Required) \$  .  **Go To PART 4**

**PART 3. TOTAL GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME. The exact amount of income and how often received are required.**

Names of household members List <b>everyone</b> in household, including children listed in PART 1 <b>except FOSTER children</b>	Check if NO Income (Required)	Earnings from Work before deductions				TCA, Child Support, Alimony				Pensions, Retirement, Social Security, and Other						
		Weekly (W)	Every 2 Weeks/Bi-Weekly (B)	Twice a Month (T)	Monthly (M)	Weekly (W)	Every 2 Weeks/Bi-Weekly (B)	Twice a Month (T)	Monthly (M)	Weekly (W)	Every 2 Weeks/Bi-Weekly (B)	Twice a Month (T)	Monthly (M)			
<i>Example: Jane B. Smith</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 1200.50	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	\$ 120.00	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	\$ 480.00	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
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Enter TOTAL number of household members.

**PART 4. SIGNATURE AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER. Signature of an adult is required.**

An adult household member must sign the household meal benefit application. If Part 3 is completed, the adult signing the form must also list his or her social security number or mark the "I do not have a social security number" box. (See Privacy Act Statement on the back of this page). I certify (promise) that all information on this household meal benefit application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the school will receive federal funds based on the information given. I understand that school officials may verify (check) the information. I understand that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted.

Signature of Adult Household Member

Parent/Guardian First Name       Parent/Guardian Last Name

-  -  Social Security Number       I do not have a social security number.

/  /  Today's Date (mm/dd/yy)

Address  Apt #  Home Telephone  -  -

City  State  Zip Code  Work Telephone  -  -