

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Maryland PTA: www.mdpta.org
National PTA: www.pta.org

First-year officers; you've made it! Seasoned veterans; was it another walk in the park? As the school year winds down, please don't forget these few items:

If this is an election year for your PT(S)A, please send PTA Council and MDPTA the new officer contact information and conduct a transition meeting with the new officers.

Create an audit committee to conduct a financial review once your year closes on June 30. The county can help you through this process.

Now is the time to reflect on your school year; what worked well, what didn't, what could be changed? Once you have done that, take some time over the summer and plan out your year. Remember to create a

budget for the General Membership to approve at Back to School Night.

The Council is here to help; do not hesitate to reach out.

Emory Young
President

410-935-8927

president@bcptacouncil.org

REMEMBER TO SUBMIT

the name, address, phone number and email address of each 2015-16 officer (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer) by completing the form on the council website or sending the information to directory@bcptacouncil.org

Our Nominating Committee is seeking PTA leaders

to fill various board and committee positions.

If interested, contact

Nominating Committee Chair

Frances Craig at

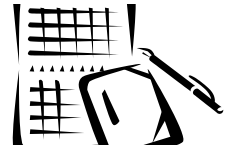
nomination@bcptacouncil.org

THANK YOU TO ...

- ⇒ **Our NEW 2014-15 partner**, the Baltimore County Department of Health's Bureau of Behavioral Health (behavioralhealth@baltimorecountymd.gov or 410-887-3828) for providing important health and safety information for our bulletin
- ⇒ **Mike Gimbel Associates, LLC**, a substance-abuse consulting firm (mmgimbel@comcast.net, 410-935-6906, www.mikegimbelassociates.com), for sharing important information at our March General Meeting
- ⇒ **Maryland Addiction Recovery Center** (info@marylandaddictionrecovery.com, 410-773-0500, www.marylandaddictionrecovery.com) for sharing important information at our March General Meeting

PTA COUNCIL/BCPS CALENDAR

May 5	Board of Education (BOE) Meeting, 7pm, Building E
May 6	Citizens' Advisory Committee for Gifted and Talented Education (GTCAC) Meeting, AP vs. GT, 7pm, Building E
May 7	PTA Council Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting, 7:30pm, Building E
May 11	Pre-K/Kindergarten Conference Day, No Preschool-3, Pre-K or Kindergarten Sessions
May 11	Special Education Citizens' Advisory Committee (SECAC) Meeting, Assistant Superintendents' Roundtable, 7pm, Building E
May 13	Southeast Education Advisory Council, Developing Proficiency in a Second Language, 7pm, Sussex ES
May 19	BOE Meeting, 6:30pm, Building E
May 20	Public Hearing on FY17 Operating Budget, 7pm, Building E
May 20	Southwest Area Education Advisory Council, Language Barriers, 7pm, Relay ES
May 22	Last Day for Seniors
May 25	Memorial Day, Schools and Offices Closed
May 26-30	Commencement Exercises
June 1-4	Commencement Exercises
June 1	Career and Technology Education Advisory Council (CTEAC) Meeting, 5:30pm, Building E
June 4	PTA Council BOD Meeting, 7pm, Building E
June 8	SECAC Meeting, Planning for Next School Year, 7pm Building E
June 9	BOE Meeting, 7pm, Building E
June 11	PTA Council Leadership Training, 7pm, Cockeysville MS
June 17	Southwest Area Education Advisory Council, Calendar Schedule Workshop, 7pm, Chadwick ES
June 17	Last Day of Classes for Preschool-3, PreK; Elementary and Middle Schools Close 3 Hours Early
June 18	Last Day of Classes for Elementary and Middle Schools; Elementary and Middle Schools Close 3 Hours Early
June 19	Last Day of Classes for High Schools
July 14	BOE Meeting, 7pm, Building E
August 4	BOE Meeting, 7pm, Building E

**PTA/PTSA
Leader's
Calendar****MAY**

- Continue to pay Maryland PTA and National PTA membership dues
- Elect PTA/PTSA officers for next school year; see bylaws for correct election month
- Consider sending delegates to the National PTA Convention, June 25-28, Charlotte, NC

JUNE

- PTA Council Leadership Training, Sessions for presidents, secretaries, treasurers, and committee chairs, June 11, 7pm, Cockeysville MS
- Consider sending delegates to MD PTA Convention, June 17-18, Rockville
- End of PTA/PTSA fiscal year, close books
- Insurance coverage ends June 30

JULY/AUGUST

- Prepare final report for previous fiscal year
- Plan for financial review
- Choose PTA/PTSA committee chairs, fill remaining board positions
- Prepare PTA/PTSA budget
- Treasurer transition; complete signature cards at PTA/PTSA's bank
- Send financial review to Maryland PTA, 5 Central Ave, Glen Burnie, MD 21061. **Refer to MD PTA "Cash Encounters" for financial review report format and sample report.**

BOE meetings can be viewed online at <http://www.bcps.org/video/livestream.html>

BOE Advisory & Public Comment: *Speaker sign up required that evening prior to start of meeting*

PTA COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, INC.
Board of Directors Meeting – April 1, 2015
Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance: (2/5/15) Checking	\$37,277.60
Certificate of Deposit	\$15,392.44
Certificate of Deposit	\$5,057.74
Receipts	+\$349.50
Disbursements	- \$896.85
Balance, (4/1/15) Checking	\$37,730.25
Certificate of Deposit	\$15,392.44
Certificate of Deposit	\$5,057.74

	Reporting Period <u>2/5/15-4/1/15</u>	YTD <u>2014-2015</u>	Adopted Budget <u>2014-2015</u>
BALANCE FORWARD	\$57,727.78	\$47,454.39	\$47,454.39
RECEIPTS:			
Membership Dues	\$349.50	\$13,151.00	\$14,951.00
Fall Workshop	0.00	1,260.00	2,000.00
Interest	0.00	12.49	20.00
Miscellaneous Income	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	\$349.50	\$14,423.49	\$17,021.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$58,077.28	\$61,877.88	\$64,475.39
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Executive Board:			
101 Administration	\$ 0.00	\$0.00	\$ 125.00
103 Copy/Reproduction	88.97	88.97	1,000.00
104 Equipment/Pers. Property Tax	0.00	0.00	50.00
105 Hospitality	0.00	0.00	750.00
106 Memorials	0.00	0.00	250.00
108 Postage	0.00	0.00	500.00
109 Supplies	13.65	19.74	1,000.00
111 Bank Charges	0.00	12.00	50.00
Publications:			
201 Bulletin	\$180.47	\$463.18	\$ 1,000.00
202 Directory	0.00	2,300.00	2,300.00
204 Web Site	0.00	20.97	1,000.00
Leadership Development:			
301 Fall Workshop	\$ 0.00	\$1,178.83	\$ 2,500.00
302 National Convention	0.00	0.00	3,500.00
304 MCPT Convention	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
306 Workshops & Meetings	0.00	0.00	100.00
307 Technical Support	0.00	0.00	250.00
Standing Committees:			
401 Committees	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 100.00
402 Legislation	0.00	0.00	200.00
403 Council Recognition	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Special Projects:			
604 Reflections	\$ 613.76	\$ 613.76	\$ 2,200.00
606 Membership Incentive	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
607 Council Dues Incentive	0.00	0.00	250.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	\$ 896.85	\$4,697.45	\$20,825.00
FUNDS TO CARRY FORWARD:	\$57,180.43	\$57,180.43	\$43,650.39

John Ryan
Treasurer

GT CAC Listening Post Survey

The Citizens' Advisory Committee for Gifted and Talented Education wants your thoughts about BCPS' advanced academic program. We are beginning to plan our calendar for next year and focus our priorities. By getting your feedback, we can identify large themes that can become areas to concentrate our advocacy on. Find the survey (only 11 questions) here:

www.bcpsgtcac.wordpress.com/ or send answers to the questions below to bcpsgtcac@gmail.com.

Student information

Name of school(s) your GT child attends (or school you are affiliated with):

How many GT children do you have in attendance at each school?

What grades are your GT children in?

Information about yourself

Are you a parent, guardian, student, grandparent, parent of a child who has graduated from BCPS, BCPS staff or faculty?

Do you feel as if you have a good understanding of how the gifted and talented educational program works in Baltimore County?

If "no", what would make it better?

On a scale of 1-10 (1 "not satisfied at all", 10 "completely satisfied), how satisfied are you with communication from BCPS regarding the GT educational program?

On a scale of 1-10, how satisfied are you with your child's GT education in Baltimore County?

On a scale of 1-10, how satisfied are you with how your child's learning style and social/emotional needs are being met in the classroom?

What positive things have you noticed in regards to your child's GT educational program?

What things do you believe could be improved upon in regards to your child's GT educational program?

What, if any, recommendations do you have for improving the GT educational program in Baltimore County?

Anything else we've missed that you want to tell us about?

Are you interested in learning more about becoming an active member of the GT CAC?

9th Youth Leadership Academy (YLA) Program

Monday, June 22, 2015 through Saturday, June 27, 2015, 8am to 3pm

Classes will be held at various locations to accommodate the training being provided. Locations include the Police Training Academy on the campus of Dundalk Community College and the Middle River Volunteer Fire Company (opposite Martin State Airport). Additional locations may be utilized when the classes are scheduled.

Applicants must be residents of Baltimore County, between the ages of 14 to 18, and in good academic standing. In addition to the application form, each applicant must submit an essay about themselves and why they would like to participate in the YLA Program. A waiver and consent form to participate must be signed by the applicant's parent or guardian. Applicants will also be subject to a background check.

Information and application for electronic submission are available on the Baltimore County Government website at:

www.baltimorecountymd.gov

under Agency - Police - Youth and Community Resources - Youth Leadership Academy

Applications will be accepted through Friday, May 15, 2015.

Please recommend this program to any Baltimore County youth whom you feel may benefit from this training and experience. Questions? Please contact the Youth and Community Resources Section at 410-887-5901 and ask for the Youth Leadership Academy Coordinator.

IS YOUR TEEN IRRITABLE OR ANGRY TOO MUCH? Johns Hopkins Hospital's Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Relationships, Outbursts, and Anger Research Study (ROAR)

National Institutes of Health-funded Study
on Improving Mood and Relationships Through Talk Therapy

Who qualifies:

- ⇒ Teens ages 12-17 residing with parent or legal guardian; English-speaking family
- ⇒ Chronic irritability or anger; outbursts; meets criteria for severe mood dysregulation

Call 410.550.9014 or email ROAR@jhmi.edu for more information.

Leslie Miller, M.D., Principal Investigator

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MEMBERSHIP

- ⇒ MEMBERS CAN BE ENROLLED ALL YEAR LONG
- ⇒ ENROLLED MEMBERS MUST BE ISSUED THEIR CARDS IN A TIMELY MANNER
- ⇒ 2014-2015 PTA MEMBERSHIP VALID UNTIL 9/30/15

The MD and National PTA portion of each enrolled member's dues should be remitted to MD PTA on a monthly basis. A new invoice will be issued monthly for any cards that are outstanding until all cards are paid for or the remaining cards are returned to the MD PTA office.

MD PTA dues are \$1.75 per member/year, National PTA dues are \$2.25 per member/year (total of \$4.00). Additional cards can be obtained (after making a payment for 75% of the initial invoice) by calling the MD PTA office at 410-760-6221.

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- ◇ PERSONAL GROWTH

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