

# Route 40 Elementary School

Jacqueline Hawkins, Principal

**April 26, 2024**

"The expert in anything was once a beginner." — Helen Hayes



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## **MCAP Testing**

English Language Arts MCAP Testing will begin on Monday, May 6th - Thursday, May 9th.

Math MCAP Testing will begin on Monday, May 13th - Friday, May 17th (School are closed Tuesday, May 14th for Election Day.) A more detailed letter will come home on Monday, April 29th. If you have any questions about the testing, please call the school and speak with Mrs. Hawkins.



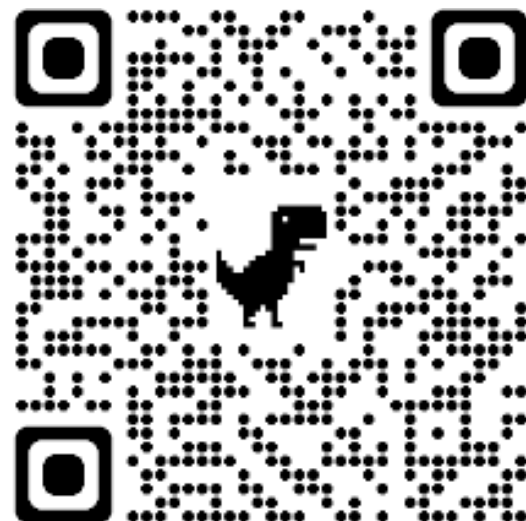
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Registration for PreK and Kindergarten is now open. Please use this link or share it with someone that may need to register their child. <https://www.gcps.net/enrollment>

## PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN

Application Process  
begins 2/12/24 for the  
2024-25 School Year!

[www.gcps.net/enrollment](http://www.gcps.net/enrollment)



**Please Complete  
the Maryland  
Special Education  
Parent Involvement  
Survey**

*Your opinion matters!*

**Available February 12  
to May 24, 2024**

**Start Now.**



## MAY HAPPENINGS:

May 2nd: PTO Meeting 6:30pm

May 7th-10th - ELA MCAP Testing

May 13th, 15th - 17th - Math MCAP Testing

May 14th - Schools Closed - Primary Election Day

May 15th - BOE Meeting

May 23rd - Whole School to Garrett College for The Little Mermaid Play

May 27th - Schools Closed - Memorial Day

May 28th - 12:15 dismissal - Staff Development

May 30th - 5th Grade orientation at NMS

- 1st & 2nd Grades to Laurel Caverns
- 3rd Grade to Old Bedford Village

May 31st - Spring Concert (Band and Chorus only) 2:00pm





## Weekly Breakfast & Lunch Menu 🍕

29	30			
Grilled Cheese Sandwich Yogurt Parfait Chicken Nuggets Broccoli Peaches Tomato Soup	Sloppy Joe Taco Salad Pizza Fresh Vegetable Cup Pears Italian Ice			PB&J Offered Daily  Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Basket Offered Daily  Milk is Offered Daily
Whole Grain Donut, Cereal, Mixed Fruit Cup, Orange Juice, Milk	Egg & Cheese Muffin, Cereal, Craisins, Fruit Juice, Milk			



## Reminders

### Changes in Transportation

Please remember that if there are ANY changes to your students transportation, you must send a note in with your child or call the school at 301-689-6132, please make sure that you speak to someone, do not leave a message. If the phones are down, the messages don't always come through until later. **We ask that you please DO NOT email Mrs. Bolden or your child's teacher with the change, we may not see the email in time.** If you have questions please contact Mrs. Bolden.

### Absences

If your child is absent for any reason, GCPS requires a note be sent within 3 days of returning to school. This way the absence can be coded appropriately. After the 3rd day the absence is unexcused. Please send a note in with your child to be turned in to their teacher or you can email Mrs. Bolden about the absence.

### Advance Absence Approval

If your child will be absent for personal reasons(vacations) and you know in advance, there is a form that needs to be filled out and signed by the classroom teacher and Mrs. Hawkins. You can email Mrs. Bolden or send a note and request the form be sent home with your child a week prior to the absence. Any questions please feel free to contact the office.

### Parent Volunteers

Parent volunteers are a vital part of our school routine. We host a regular work session to help prepare supplies on Thursday afternoons from 1:00 – 3:00. If Thursdays don't align to your schedule, please feel free to call and set up another time to join us. We value the assistance volunteers can provide to our educational program.

### Medication Form

If your child needs to take medicine at school, we need to have the form below completed by the ordering physician. This includes prescription and over the counter medications. Please call the school and talk to the nurse for more information.

Download

167.9 KB

You can shop at the following link for a school spirit wear. Orders will be delivered to the school.

<https://rt-40-23.spiritsale.com/>



**Michele Bolden**

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