



Celebrating #TeamPGCPS

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Thank You, #TeamPGCPS!



Indian Queen Elementary School team photo.

The 2021-22 school year was successful thanks to your diligence and collaboration in doing whatever it took to keep schools safe and learning in motion. Amid unprecedented circumstances, you continually demonstrated resilience, innovation, adaptability and an unwavering commitment to our students and families. Job well done! Have a safe, relaxing and well-deserved summer break.

Celebrating Service to Our Schools

As the school year comes to a close, we'd like to highlight members of #TeamPGCPS for their years of dedicated service and outstanding contributions!



The following employees celebrated a remarkable 50 years of service:

- Josita Allen – Scotchtown Hills Elementary School
- Rogers Coley Jr. – Building Services
- Eric Dent – Eleanor Roosevelt High School
- Rose Jackson – Food & Nutrition Services
- William Washington – Laurel Elementary School



The following employees celebrated 45 years of service:

Scott Brenner – Curriculum & Instruction - Talented and Gifted
Jerome Brooks – Building Services - Grounds Shop
Preston Davis, Sr – Building Services - Electric Shop
Mark Dreszer – Central Garage Services
Curtis Eady – Potomac High School
Carlton Griffin – Building Services
Valcarcel, Dario III – Potomac High School



The following employees celebrated 40 years of service:

Tracy Grierson – Building Services - Carpenter Shop
Audrey James – Gaywood Elementary School

All employees with 30 or more years of service this year were sent “milestone year” certificates this week from CEO Dr. Monica Goldson and Chief Human Resources Officer Dr. Kristi Murphy Baldwin.

[View Years of Service Webpage](#)



[2022 Retirees](#)

Two Principals Retire With More Than 60 Years of Combined Experience



Marilyn Goldsmith, former principal of Fort Foote Elementary School, retired in September with 38 years of service. She has also served as a special education teacher and an assistant principal. She was recently rehired to serve as Acting Principal of Kettering Middle School. She loves to travel and spend time with her children and granddaughter.



Reginald McNeill, principal at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS), is retiring after 30 years in education. He is the fifth principal in the school's history and has spent the last 15 years at ERHS. He is an advocate for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) and also believes that it is important for students to be encouraged to express themselves creatively. McNeill plans to spend time with his family and grandchildren, go fishing and play golf.

Celebrating Achievement: The 2021-22 Year in Review



Visit the **Ready to Reconnect: 2021-22 Year in Review** webpage to learn about our many achievements this school year!

Learn more about the prestigious awards presented to members of #TeamPGCPS, including Teacher of the Year, Washington Post Awards, Christa McAuliffe and more!

2021-22 Year in Review

Share Your Retirement Fun!



If you are retiring, please share a photo or video of your plans or retirement activities! If you know a colleague who has retired this year, please have them visit our retiree webpage and upload a photo or video of them enjoying their retirement!

Upload Photo/Video

Announcements

Take the Professional Learning Survey

The Office of Professional Learning and Leadership is working to offer you high quality professional learning in SY 22-23! Please take a few moments to provide feedback on your professional learning needs by completing this short survey. The survey closes at the end of the business day Friday, June 24.

Take the Survey

#TeachWithUs: Summer Recruitment Series



Help us spread the word as we kick off summer recruitment activities with a "hiring mixer"!

Wednesday, June 29

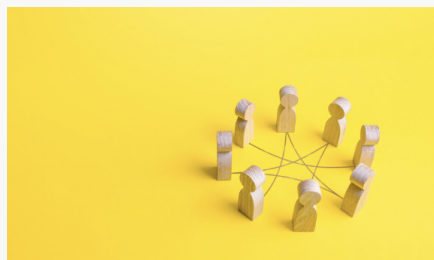
4 - 6 p.m.

G. James Gholson Middle School

This outdoor in-person event is a great way for candidates to connect with principals, submit a resume and learn about teaching opportunities.

Register

Volunteer for the Parent & Community Advisory Council!



The Prince George's County Board of Education is looking for volunteers to form the Parent & Community Advisory Council (P-CAC), which provides

guidance and advice on issues pertaining to academic achievement, parental and community engagement and public perception. Parents, staff, faith-based leaders and community members are invited to apply.

[Learn More](#)

Take Advantage of the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Waiver by October 31

Federal student loan borrowers can get credit for payments that previously didn't qualify for Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) or Temporary Expanded Public Service Loan Forgiveness (TEPSLF) until Oct. 31. Under the limited PSLF waiver, you can get credit for past payments even if you:

- had or have a Federal Family Education Program (FFEL) loan or Perkins loan
- didn't make the payment on time,
- didn't pay the full amount due, or
- weren't on the right repayment plan.

[Read More](#)

Air Quality, Leaders in Sustainability Fellowships

2022–2023 [School Air Quality Fellowship](#) and [Leaders in Sustainability Fellowship](#) applications are open through Monday, July 18. The Center for Green Schools' Leaders in Sustainability Fellowship program is designed to support sustainability professionals working for change in K–12 schools.

[Learn More](#)

Explore Walden University Summer Initiatives



For more than 50 years, Walden University has provided high-quality education to help empower trailblazers in their communities and careers. We're thrilled to offer an opportunity that can help move your dreams forward.

A DEGREE WITHIN REACH

Receive a 10% tuition reduction* on programs including the following:

- Master of Science in Education (MSED)
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Doctor of Education (EdD)

Additionally, as an employee of [Prince George's County Public Schools](#) you can receive a:

- \$3,000 grant** on Bachelor's programs
- \$3,000 grant** for Master's programs
- \$5,000 grant** on Doctoral programs.

[Learn More](#)

2022 CEO's Equity Movie Series



Join CEO Dr. Monica Goldson for a three-session summer movie study. Watch the Emmy Award winning documentary "Kai Shappley: A Trans Girl Growing Up In Texas"; Peabody Award Winning "Crip Camp"; and Emmy nominated "American Son." For a brief description of each film and trailers [here](#).

Dates:

June 28th, 6:00-7:30 pm - Kai Shappley: A Trans Girl Growing Up In Texas (18m)

July 12th, 6:00-7:30 pm - Crip Camp (1h, 48m)

August 9th, 6:00-7:30 pm - American Son (1h, 30m)

Participants will watch the movie before each session and engage in a group discussion on each meeting date.

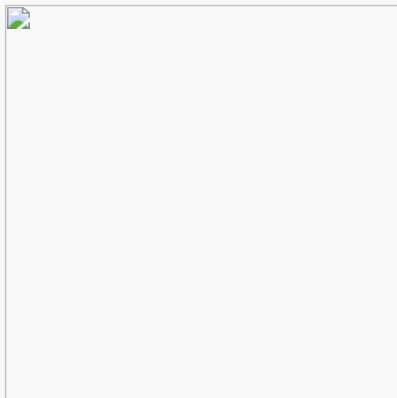
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Summer Workweek and Professional Learning

Beginning Monday, June 27 through Friday, August 5, school and central office employees may exercise liberal leave on Fridays for six weeks. Under liberal leave, employees may use annual, personal, or sick leave as they see fit. Leave requests must still be submitted for approval, but it is expected that available leave will be granted.

Additionally, there shall be no meetings or collaborative workgroup agendas on Fridays during this time. It is expected that Fridays will be used to plan and assess for the upcoming week.

Nominations Wanted: 2022 PGcps Hall of Fame



Do you know a PGcps alum who you believe deserves to be recognized for their contributions/success in athletics, career, as an educator, humanitarian or young leader? Nominations for our 2022 Hall of Fame are open through July 1!

More Information

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