

## Weekly Wildcat Updates 9.19-9.23

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Good evening, Rocky Hill MS Community!

This is Principal Johnson with your Weekly Wildcat Updates:

### EPICC Celebrations:

**You did it! Thank you to all parents/caregivers who purchased items off the student Zen Den wishlist. Your gift is contributing to a special place for our students! Stay tuned for updates as we start decorating!**

**September 15 - October 15 is National Hispanic Heritage Month. We celebrate and recognize the contributions and influence of Hispanic Americans to the history, culture, and achievements of the United States. We celebrate and recognize our Rocky Hill MS families and students who continue to make this one of the best middle schools in the world!**

### Announcements:

The schedule for the week is as follows: (Schedules can be found on the right side of the RHMS website)

- **MON, SEPTEMBER 19**  
[PD 5 Day: 5, A, 6, 7, 1, 2](#)
  
- **MAP-R testing will be in English classes during the week of 9/19/22 and MAP-M testing will be in Math classes during the week of 9/26/22. Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and eats a balanced breakfast. Students need to charge their Chromebook and bring it with them each day to class.**
  
- **TUE, SEPTEMBER 20**  
[PD 3 Day: 3, A, 4, 5, 6, 7](#)  
[Activity Buses](#)  
[Leo Club Meeting \(During Lunches\)](#)  
[Cross Country Tryouts](#)  
[Softball Tryouts](#)  
[Dodgeball Intramurals](#)
- **WED, SEPTEMBER 21**  
[PD 1 Day: 1, A, 2, 3, 4, 5](#)  
[Activity Buses](#)  
[Boys/Girls Softball Practice](#)  
[Cross Country Practice](#)  
[Dodgeball Intramurals](#)
- Pinwheels for Peace is a global project in which students from all over the world create pinwheels to be placed outside on September 21st, which is known as World Peace Day. Rocky Hill Middle School students in studio and digital art classes and will place them

outside next week, on Wednesday, September 21st to spread messages of peace and harmony.

- **THU, SEPTEMBER 22**  
[PD 6 Day: 6, A, 7, 1, 2, 3](#)  
[Activity Buses](#)

- **FRI, SEPTEMBER 23**

PD 4 Day: 4, A, 5, 6, 7, 1

**Clarksburg HS Marching Band Night:** Friday night our Wind Ensemble will be participating in Clarksburg High School's Cluster Night. Students in Ms. Schiller's Period 5 should report to the Clarksburg High School band room at 5:00 PM and be picked up at 9:00 PM. Contact Ms. Schiller for more information.

### **Admission Process Information Overview for Regional/Countywide High School Application Programs:**

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) offers a wide range of high school application programs for students entering Grades 9 through 12. These programs have a centralized admissions process, which begins with a common online application. The admission process opens in early October 2022.

- For students entering Grades 9–12 in 2023–2024, the regional/countywide high school application process admission, timeline, and program information is available at the Special Programs website: [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/high/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/high/)
- MCPS has streamlined the Grade 8 high school application process by providing one common online application for all programs via Synergy. Grades 9–11 will apply electronically through a link provided on the website above.
- Program eligibility is based on the student's address and middle school for current Grade 8 students; and for current Grades 9–11 students, it is based on the home address only.

### **Important Dates**

- **September 21, 2022-** Learn more about the High School Regional/Countywide Application Programs **7:00 p.m. (English) and 8:00 p.m. (Spanish)** on the MCPS website: <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/>. This presentation will also be available as a recording for parents/students.
- **October 7, 2022**–Application for Regional/Countywide. High School Application Programs (ParentVUE and Google) Opens
- **November 4, 2022**–Application Deadline

### **MCPS Regional/Countywide List of Programs by Home/Base High School**

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UNdicCl1xkEIsRvmCF6Cqh97D\\_I7hoplCqUszgXZWom/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UNdicCl1xkEIsRvmCF6Cqh97D_I7hoplCqUszgXZWom/edit?usp=sharing)

### **Parent/guardian/student flier**

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B\\_0vd\\_G2JgjH0dCUJNfdtwkw6EORqwmCzYNaxiEu4g/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B_0vd_G2JgjH0dCUJNfdtwkw6EORqwmCzYNaxiEu4g/edit?usp=sharing)

**Reminder: Rocky Hill Middle School is an "Away All Day" personal mobile device school. Students may use their PMDs before school, during lunch and after school. We have also allowed students to use them during Wildcat Wellness Day and plan to continue this during the next scheduled day. Students who use their PMDs during times that are not allowed are subject to having them taken and a phone call made home. Overall, our students have been doing a great job with this responsibility. As you know, Personal Mobile Devices can be a big distraction from teaching and learning. We need your partnership and support in reminding your child at home.**

**PTA:**

- **We need your support! Please consider donating your time, talent, resources to our amazing PTSA! Thank you to everyone who has signed up already! We all do what we can, and the simple step of joining today provides important funding for the incredible support we provide to our children and Rocky Hill MS.**
- **The PTSA needs your feedback. It just takes a few minutes...**

<https://forms.gle/qy5ohG2oBP8AkvNXA>

- **Check out our\*NEW\* PTSA Website**

<https://sites.google.com/view/rhmspta/home>

- **Become a supporting member simply by joining online!**

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/rhmspta-membership?cart=044f0b0b-db20-466e-82a1-4efe9aa7df4e%21%2138096061&displayMode=GRID>

We are looking forward to an **EPICC** year at Rocky Hill! Thank you for your support! We are Rocky Hill Middle School-Growing Stronger Together!

With Wildcat PRIDE!

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