**Fall Conferences**

We look forward to meeting with you during our parent/teacher conferences. We will conduct conferences during the following times:

**Monday, November 25th & Tuesday, November 26th**

Conferences will begin at 1:10 p.m.

Please log into HCPSS Connect to sign up for a conference. To access this program, please click on the HCPSS website [http://www.hcpss.org/connect](http://www.hcpss.org/connect). It is easy to use and can be accessed until Sunday, November 22nd! After this day, please cancel or reschedule your appointments by calling 410-880-5960.

*4th grade students* have prepared a portfolio and presentation to share with their families at their conferences. All 4th grade families and students are encouraged to attend!

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**Scholastic Book Fair**

Parents are invited to come browse the Book Fair during school hours and during parent conferences. Students may purchase items during breakfast and at approved times. After dismissal, students need to be with a responsible adult in order to shop.

- **Thursday, November 21st**
  - 8:40 a.m. - 3:30 a.m.

- **Friday, November 22nd**
  - 8:40 a.m. - 3:30 a.m.
  - 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

- **Monday, November 25th & Tuesday, November 26th**
  - 8:40 a.m. - 7:40 p.m.

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**First Quarter Award Ceremonies**

Please join us for grade level quarterly awards!

- **1st grade**: Friday, November 22nd @ 1:00 p.m.
- **2nd grade**: Friday, November 22nd @ 12:05 p.m.
- **3rd grade**: Thursday, November 21st @ 9:15 a.m.
- **4th grade**: Monday, November 18th @ 2:45 p.m.
- **5th grade**: Tuesday, November 19th @ 2:45 p.m.

Students will receive an individual invitation if they are getting an award!

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**Other Important Dates:**

- **11/25**: 3 Hour Early Dismissal
  - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **11/26**: 3 Hour Early Dismissal
  - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **11/27**: School Closed for Students
- **11/28-11/29**: Thanksgiving Holiday - Schools Closed
- **12/13**: Interim Reports Issued
- **12/23-1/1**: Winter Break - Schools Closed
- **1/2**: Schools Reopen
- **1/20**: Schools and offices closed - State mandated holiday
- **1/24**: End of Quarter 2
- **1/27**: Schools Closed for Students
  - (Professional Work Day)
**LWES Young Author's Contest**

**Who:** Students in Grades 1-5  

**What:** Write a poem or short story!  

**When:** Entries due by Monday, December 2nd  

- Entries must be original work.  
- All entries must be typed (12-point font in Times New Roman).  
- Short story (100-400 words grades 1-2, 800 words grade 3-5)  
- Poem entry (any style, 25-150 words).  
- Each entry must include a completed cover sheet signed by the student author, parent/guardian and sponsoring teacher.  
- Please email Julie_Wehrmeister@hcpss.org, with any questions.

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**Upcoming Field Trips**

**5th Grade**  

**Where:** Capitol Building  

November 20th  
Washington & Sabrio  

November 22nd  
Koch & Kolb  

**5th grade**  

**Where:** UMBC  

January 22nd

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**Winter Concerts**

**5th grade Band, Advanced Strings, Intermediate Strings, 4th Grade Chorus and 5th Grade Chorus**  

**Where:** Reservoir High School  

**When:** Thursday, December 19th  

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  

Students please report by 6:45 p.m.

**Beginning Band and Beginning Strings Students**  

**Where:** Laurel Woods Elementary Cafeteria  

**When:** Thursday, January 16th  

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  

Students please report by 6:45 p.m.