

January 6, 2023

Talbott Springs Families,

Happy 2023! In the world of education, we are so lucky to be able to celebrate a new year at the start of the school year and at the start of the new calendar year. I hope that 2023 brings each of your families healthy days and time with your family members.

Congratulations to our TSES Young Author Contest Winners: Grade 5 Short Story-Daniel; Grade 5 Short Story Second Place Peyton L.; Grade 4 Short Story-Nia; Grade 3 Short Story-Harley; Grade 2 Short Story-Maya B.; Grade 1 Short Story-Aviela N.; Grade 2 Short Story-Kyrie G.; First Place Poetry-Grade 4- Ameyah ; Grade 4 Poetry Second Place Reese. Each of these students chose to participate in the Young Author's Contest and submitted outstanding written work that they completed on their own. Parents of 5th grade students! January brings on the start of middle school parent orientations and scheduling of classes for 6th grade. Please watch this newsletter and your Canvas email for information over the next several months. Please see times below for the Grades 1, 2 and 3 Bumble Bees on January 10, 2023.

Enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing your children on Monday!

Nancy Thompson, Principal

Information:

Family Science Night Talbott Springs is thrilled to host an evening with the Maryland Science Center on Thursday, January 12 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Details will be sent the day we return from winter break and in addition [are available at this link](#). Contact Mrs. Glassband if you have questions at allyson_glassband@hcpss.org

Attention Families of TSES 5th Grade Students:

Please look for information via a canvas email next week from Ms. West, 5th grade team leader, about upcoming family nights at your child(ren)'s middle school for next year. These informative events will be taking place THIS month.

Important Information for Parents of 2023-2024 Lake Elkhorn Middle School 6th graders:

If your child is attending Lake Elkhorn Middle School for 6th grade during the 2023-2024 school year, please note that the LEMS Parent Information Night will occur on Thursday, January 19th at 6 PM in the Lake Elkhorn Middle School Cafeteria. In the event of inclement weather, this event will be postponed until Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 6 PM. Not sure which HCPSS Middle School your child will attend based on attendance area? [Use this link](#) to access the HCPSS School Locator.

Important Information for Parents of 2023-2024 Oakland Mills Middle School 6th graders:

If your child is attending Oakland Mills Middle School for 6th grade during the 2023-2024 school year, please note that the OMMS Parent Information Night/New Student Orientation will occur on Tuesday January 17, 2023 at 6:00 in the OMMS Cafeteria. Families are invited to attend to learn about the middle school schedule and opportunities at OMMS. Not sure which HCPSS Middle School your child will attend based on attendance area? [Use this link](#) to access the HCPSS School Locator.

The **Road to Kindergarten** information sessions will be held for families of children who will begin kindergarten in Fall 2023. Sessions are 6:30-7:30 and are offered on the following dates. Please share this information with any of your neighbors who might have a child who will be starting Kindergarten in August 2023.

- Thursday, January 19 (Centennial High School)
- Tuesday, January 24 (Wilde Lake High School)
- Thursday, January 26 (Oakland Mills High School)
- SNOW DATE: Thursday, February 2 (Oakland Mills High School)

News from the TSES PTA: Thank you to our TSES families for supporting the TSES PTA! Our next meeting will take place on Thursday January 19 at 6:15 PM (please note the change in time).

The HCPSS Black Student Achievement Program Saturday Math Academy Spring Session is approaching! This year, the BSAP Saturday Math Academy will offer an in-person enrichment program for Howard County Public School System students in all levels of math for grades 3-12 based on course availability. Registration will take place online January 7 from 9:00 a.m. until capacity is reached. Class space is limited. Families can register by accessing the [HCPSS Connect Website Links to an external site.](#)

Flyers for distribution:

[BSAP SMA Spring 2023 Flyer \(English\)Links to an external site.](#)

[BSAP SMA Spring 2023 Flyer \(Spanish\)](#)

HCPSS Community News! Approved materials will be published on the [HCPSS Community News and Programs website \(Links to an external site.\)](#) which is user-friendly and searchable.

Important Dates:

Tuesday January 10, 2023	Bumble Bees Grades 1, 2 and 3 9:00-9:45 Grade 3 10:00-10:45 Grade 1 12:15-1:00 Grade 2
Thursday January 12, 2023	TSES Family Science Center Night 5:30-7:30
Monday January 16, 2023	Schools Closed-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Tuesday January 17, 2023	TSES Spelling Bee (Grades 4 and 5) OMMS rising 6 th Grade Family Information Night at 6:00
Wednesday January 18, 2023	Early Dismissal for Students at 12:10
Thursday January 19, 2023	TSES PTA Meeting at 6:15 (in person and virtual) LEMS Rising 6 th Grade Parent Orientation at 6:00 at LEMS
Friday January 20, 2023	End of Q2-No Half Day Programs-School as usual for all other students
Monday January 23, 2023	School Closed for Students-Professional Work Day
Monday January 30, 2023	Q2 Report Cards Issued

Tuesday January 31, 2023

String a Palooza field Trip to OMHS

Thursday February 9, 2023

String a Palooza Concert at OMHS

Friday February 10, 2023

School Closes at 12:10-Parent Teacher Conferences

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