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Principal Warren's Message

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I am pleased to share some exciting news regarding our recent visit from the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE). The MSDE team visited Pimlico in March and provided highly positive feedback on our academic programs and the overall school climate. Their observations highlighted the hard work and dedication of our teachers, staff, students, and families in creating a strong learning environment that supports student success.

As part of our ongoing commitment to excellence and continuous improvement, we are also preparing for an important milestone in our charter renewal process. In early May, Baltimore City Public Schools will be sending a team to conduct a School Effectiveness Review (SER). This review is a key component of our renewal process and will provide valuable insights into our instructional practices, school culture, and overall effectiveness.

We look forward to this opportunity to showcase our strengths and receive feedback that will help us continue to grow as a school community.

Warm regards,
Nneka Warren, Principal

Family Math Night

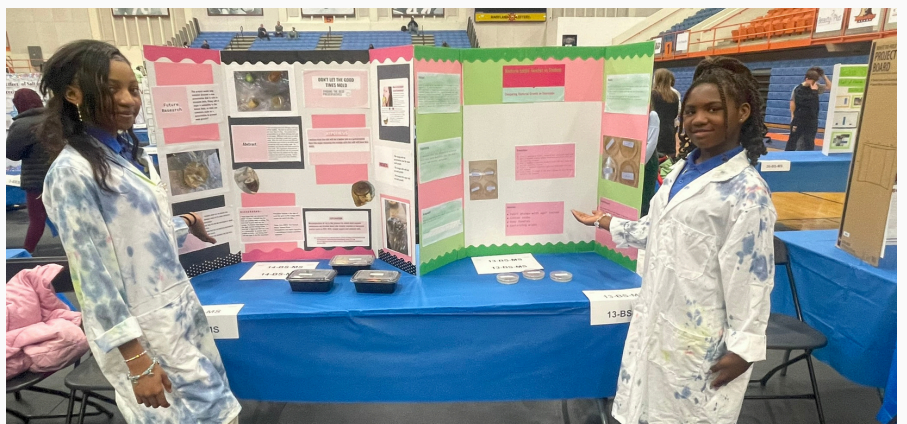
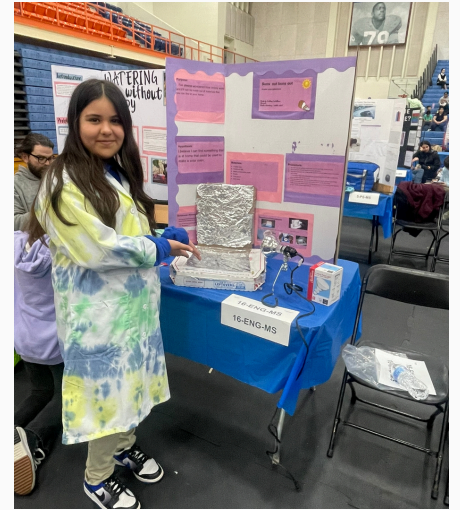
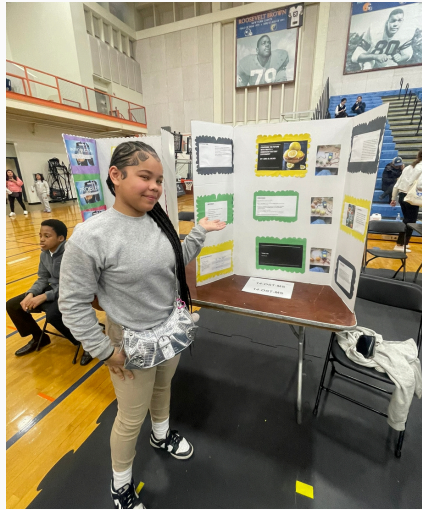
On March 13, families and students enjoyed an evening of great math games, prizes, and tasty treats. On March 27, we hosted Family Reading Night. So wonderful have families join us for these learning adventures.



PEMS City-wide Science Fair Award Winners

Several 6th through 8th grade scientists presented their impressive research at the 2025 Morgan State University (MSU) Science Fair for Baltimore City's public schools, held on March 15 and sponsored by MSU's Center for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Education. **Congratulations to each presenter and to our two award winners!**

- 6th Grade Honorable Mention for Biological Sciences, Project: "The Test on Bacterial Growth"
- 6th Grade 1st Place, Engineering, Project: Homemade Battery



How Pimlico Prepares Students for the Future

At Pimlico, we are helping students succeed in school and beyond!! We provide strong academics, hands-on learning, technology, and social-emotional support to prepare them for high school, college, and careers.

Strong Academics challenge students with engaging lessons and critical thinking activities:

- Direct Instruction: Helps students learn at their own pace, ensuring they master skills before moving forward
- iQuest Science Curriculum: Ensures students master science concepts
- Reveal Math & Be Curious Activities: Builds problem-solving and number sense.
- Honors classes and Middle Grades Health Sciences Program with Sinai/LifeBridge for middle school students
- Hands-On Learning: Students gain real-world experience through exciting programs: Medical Detectives Program to explore careers in healthcare; and Cooking and Nutrition Classes that teach students how to prepare healthy meals
- Field Trips
- Extracurricular Activities: Clubs, sports, and arts programs help students develop new skills
- Technology: Every classroom has laptops, iPads, and Smartboards, and online tools like Google classroom and Clever, help students complete assignments and track progress; students learn computer programming

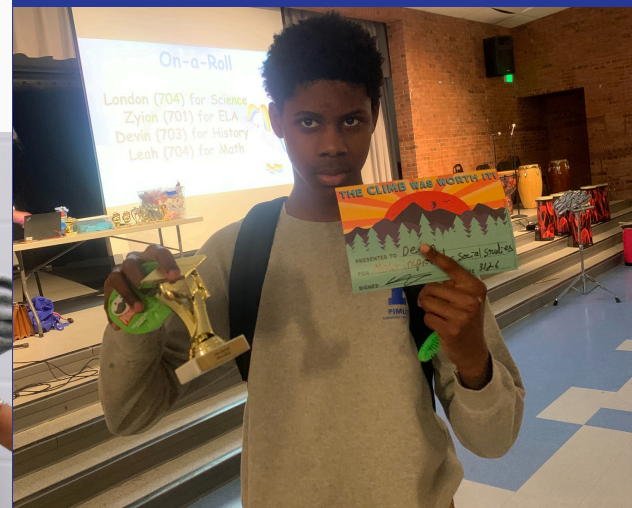
Social Emotional Growth helps every student realize their potential:

- H.E.R. Mentoring Program: Supports young women in leadership
- Peer Mediation and Restorative Practices: Teaches problem-solving and teamwork
- After-School Programs and Clubs: Students explore interests in arts, STEM, and sports



7th Grade Superlatives

Several of our 7th Grade students recently received Superlatives for their wonderful, consistent efforts in class and in our school community. Well done! Here are just a few of our Superlative students:



"Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can." —Arthur Ashe

Pimlico vs. City Springs Faculty/Staff Basketball Game!

We love March Madness, especially when we get to show our Pimlico Pride and skills on the court! On Friday, March 28, our faculty and staff team played City Springs. With the homecourt advantage, the Stallions won 58-46!



MCAP Test-taking Tips

Over the next month, our students, grades 3 to 8, will take the Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) assessments. The MCAP gives you and our teachers important benchmarks to inform instruction and provide support.

You play a KEY role in making sure your student is MCAP ready! Be positive and your student will be, too. Here are some tips for your student:

1. Get a good night's sleep the night before (in bed by 9 PM).
2. Eat a healthy breakfast on testing days—bodies and brains need healthy fuel!
3. Leave plenty of time to get to school. Being rushed/late adds anxiety to the day.
4. Relax during test taking. Deep breathing helps!
5. Read the entire question first before answering.
6. Underline keyword/phrases in the question and look for them in the passage.
7. Try your best. That voice inside of your head during the test is usually right!
8. Don't say, "I'm bad at math – I'm going to fail!" Say, "I've been working hard and will do my best!"
9. Focus on your own work, not how quickly others finish.

Visit support.mdassessments.com for details on the MCAP.

Thank you for helping your child have a successful MCAP experience and a great opportunity to share all what your child is learning at Pimlico!

Community School Coordinator Corner

Keeping Pimlico Safe and Welcoming for Everyone

By focusing on open and consistent communication, we strive to ensure that students, staff, and families feel protected, valued, and ready to learn. We are committed to creating a safe, supportive, and welcoming environment for all students and staff through:

- Secure Building: Doors remain locked, and visitors must check in at the main office. School Safety Team: Staff and school police work together to keep everyone safe
- Restorative Practice and the Dream Team: Help students resolve conflict so they don't escalate
- Emergency Drills: Regular fire, lockdown, and evacuation drills help prepare students and staff.
- Restorative Practices and Peer Mediation: Help students resolve conflicts peacefully and build positive relationships.
- Community School Coordinator: Provides resources and connections for families
- Cultural Celebrations and School Displays: Show appreciation for all backgrounds and identities
- School events open to families and community: Back to School Jam, concerts, sporting events, PTO meetings, Peaceful Parenting workshops

JOIN US for the PTO Meeting: April 2, 2:45-3:15 p.m., Peaceful Parenting Workshop 3:30-4:30 p.m., Library

Pimlico's New Wheels!

Check out our new school van, ready for use for field trips and student or faculty/staff transportation to various learning opportunities offsite. We're looking forward to local "road trips" to show Baltimore and Maryland our Pimlico Pride. Thanks, BCP!



April Parenting Workshops

Workshop, April 2:
Peaceful Parenting Protects the Brain

Circle: April 9:
Challenging Conditioned Beliefs About Children

Register by scanning the QR code below:



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Please reach out with questions or if you have needs for your student and family. Ms. Braxton and our community partner, Park Heights Renaissance, are here to help!

April Events

April 2: PTO Meeting, followed by Peaceful Parenting Workshop, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Library

April 9: Peaceful Parenting Circle

Monday, April 14 through Monday, April 21: SPRING BREAK, School closed district-wide

Tuesday, April 22: School reopens

Mark your calendars for June 10, 8th grade closing ceremony and 8th grade prom

Baltimore Curriculum Project



The Baltimore Curriculum Project (BCP) Board of Directors is a dedicated group of professionals who provide governance, oversight, and strategic direction for BCP's network of charter schools. The board is composed of leaders from various fields, including education, business, law, and community advocacy, all committed to supporting high-quality public education in Baltimore. The BCP Board of Directors plays a critical role in ensuring the success and sustainability of BCP schools by:

- Providing Oversight – Monitoring academic performance, financial stability, and compliance with charter school regulations.
- Strategic Planning – Setting long-term goals and priorities to drive continuous improvement in education and operations.
- Financial Stewardship – Reviewing budgets, approving financial reports, and ensuring responsible use of funding.
- Supporting Leadership – Advising and collaborating with school principals and BCP leadership to enhance student outcomes.
- Advocating for BCP Schools – Engaging with policymakers, community leaders, and stakeholders to promote the mission of BCP.
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The board meets quarterly to review progress and make decisions that impact the schools and students they serve. The most recent board meeting was held on March 6, 2025, at Frederick Elementary School, and the next meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2025, at Hampstead Hill Academy. To learn more about the Board of Directors or read an update from the latest board meeting, visit www.baltimoreecp.org.

School Mission

With enthusiasm, patience, and dedication, all stakeholders in our 21st Century learning community will create opportunities for students to explore ideas, develop their potential, and celebrate their growth as we prepare them to become college and career ready.

