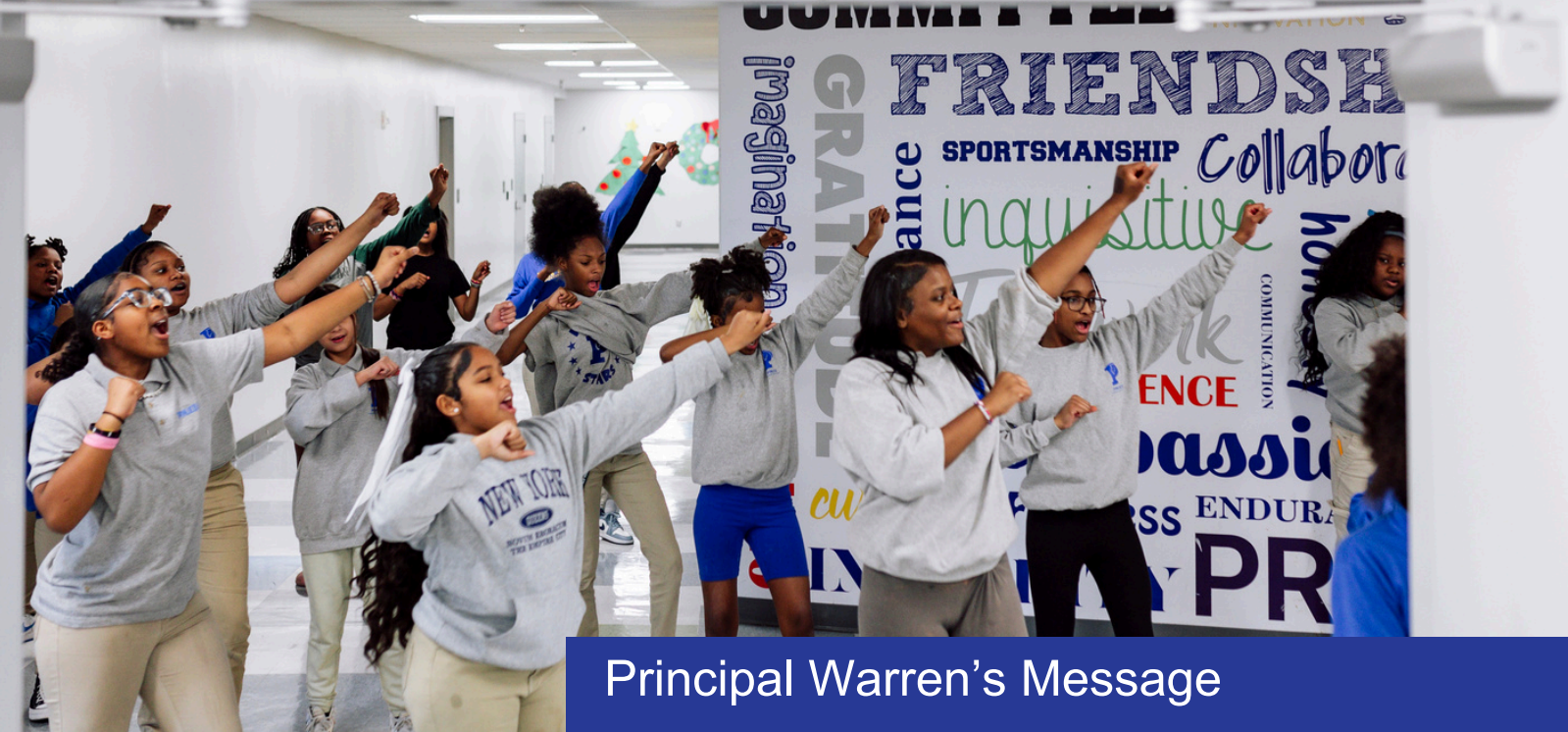




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Principal Warren's Message

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May 5-9 is Teacher Appreciation Week, and there is no better time to reflect on the dedication, passion, and heart that our incredible teachers and staff bring to Pimlico Elementary/Middle School every single day. Whether they are leading a classroom or supporting teachers, every Pimlico team member plays a vital role in helping our scholars grow and thrive.

Our teachers and staff show up for students with energy, creativity, and compassion. They encourage growth, build confidence, and create joyful learning experiences across every grade level. I am deeply grateful for their tireless commitment and care they pour into our school community.

To our families: thank you for joining us in celebrating our team. A kind word, a handwritten note, or a simple “thank you” make a world of difference. Your support and appreciation lift up the hearts of our educators and strengthen the bonds that make Pimlico such a special place.

As we look ahead to the final weeks of the school year, let’s carry this spirit of gratitude with us. Together, we can finish strong—united in our love for learning, our pride in our scholars, and our deep appreciation for the people who make it all possible.

Fondly
 Principal Warren

Girls on the Run

On April 27, our Stallion runners participated in the Greater Chesapeake Girls on the Run Spring 5K at Druid Hill Park. Congratulations to our runners, Coach Ms. Ambrose, and all the proud parents and families who cheered along the 5K course.



Perfect Attendance!

Throughout this year, we've been celebrating those students with perfect attendance in any given month. Congratulations to those students who have come to school each day, ready to learn and show their Pimlico Pride!

For April, Rocky's attendance contest required students to attend school every day. The grade level with the highest attendance increase received Rita's Ice. Every day a student is at school, they receive a raffle ticket to be entered to win a prize for their parent/guardian.

Parent prizes per grade level:

- 1st prize \$100 Visa gift card and cookout gift basket
- 2nd place-outdoor fun gift basket
- 3rd- S'more kit

Let's focus on finishing strong this school year! Please continue to have your student to school each day, in uniform, and on time. Making sure your child is at school every day is an incredible investment in their future. It's a fact that students who attend school every day have greater success in school and in life, better health, and better interpersonal skills. Plus, we love to see and teach your student every day!

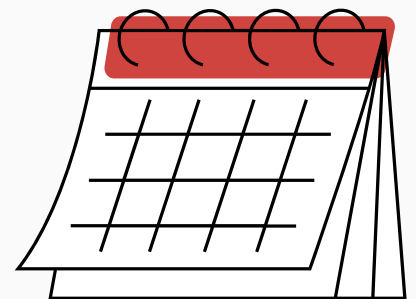
2025-2026 School Calendar

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for key dates for the coming school year.

Baltimore City Public Schools has finalized the calendar for 2025-2026, pending approval from the MSDE.

Important dates to note:

- First day for students: Monday, August 25, 2025
- Winter break: December 24, 2025-January 4, 2026
- Spring break: March 28-April 6, 2026
- Last day of school: June 11, 2026 (early release)



May is Mental Health Awareness Month!

Did you know that ADHD, anxiety, behavior challenges, and depression are the most commonly diagnosed mental health conditions in children? These are highly treatable—but only half of affected children receive care.

At Pimlico Elementary/Middle, we want every student to be healthy—physically, mentally, and emotionally. Mental wellness is essential for success in school and life, and we have resources to support you.

Dream Team: A dedicated group of student support specialists focuses on supporting students who experience emotional or behavioral difficulties that affect learning. They work closely with families and teachers to help students succeed in the classroom.

Student Support Team (SST): Our team—consisting of the social worker, school psychologist, nurse, community mental health clinicians, and assistant principals—collaborates with teachers and families to create customized support plans that help every student succeed.

Mental health matters. Let's work together to ensure every child feels safe, supported, and ready to learn. Have questions or need support? Reach out—we're here for you.

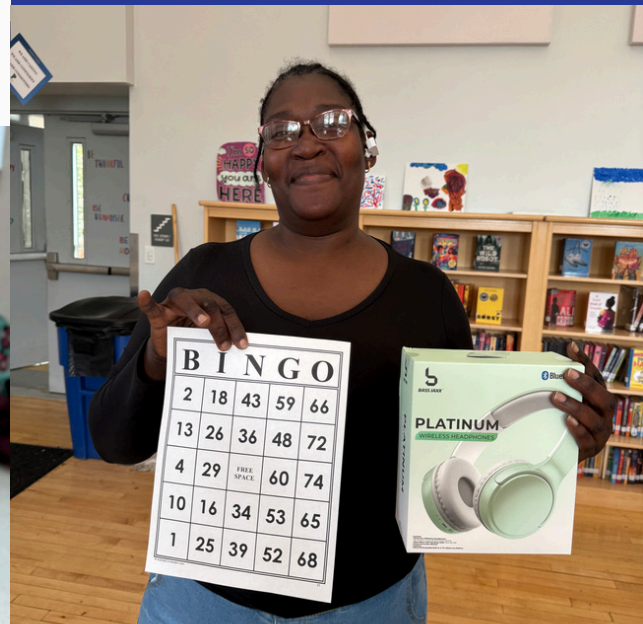
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Bingo!

On April 30, we hosted a fun Bingo event afterschool for our families with great prizes, food, and community connections. Thanks to all who joined us!



Summer at PEMS

Summer Arts for Learning Academy (SALA) will be running a FREE, 5-week arts integration camp this summer that blends arts, math, and literacy, led by top teachers and artists. Open to current PreK–2 Pimlico students. **Scan the QR code or email sala@artsforlearningmd.org** to learn more and sign up!



Summer Arts for Learning Academy 2025

FREE summer program in Baltimore City!

SALA students learn from the best artists and educators in the state!

Summer Arts for Learning Academy (SALA) gives students a fun summer packed with creative exploration and arts-integrated math and literacy lessons from the BEST teachers and teaching artists in the state.

- FREE full-day, five-week program
- Fun-filled summer learning experience
- Students explore new art forms and experience the joy of creative discovery

Use this code to learn more and REGISTER today!



June 30–July 31

Monday–Thursday
8:30 AM–3:00 PM

Where?

- Pimlico Elementary School

Who is eligible?

Students currently in grades PreK through 2 attending Pimlico Elementary.

How much?

SALA is free for all participants!

Questions?

sala@artsforlearningmd.org

Summer Enrichment

What's your plan to keep the learning adventures continuing over the summer?

Check out these resources:

Camps through Baltimore's Parks & Recreation Department:
bcrp.baltimorecity.gov/camp-baltimore

Free SuperKids camp with Parks & People Foundation:
parksandpeople.org/superkids-summer-camp

Enoch Pratt library's free Summer Break reading program kicks off on May 31. It's a great way to encourage reading all summer with games, prizes and events:
prattlibrary.org/summer-break

Curbing “Summer Slide”

Research shows that kids can “slide” backwards in their knowledge over the summer if not actively engaged in fun learning activities. Making sure your child continues to learn is easy and free:

1. Read every day. Read with them and encourage individual reading time. Need books? Visit the Maryland Book Bank for free books on Wednesdays from 3 pm-5 pm and Saturdays from 9 am-11 am . Go to mdbookbank.org for details
2. Do Math every day through following recipes, adding prices at the store with you, etc.
3. Get outside and play. Talk about what you see in nature, the weather, etc.
4. Write every day. Have your kids keep a journal of what they do each day. It can be a few sentences, drawings, whatever they are feeling. Ask them to write the grocery lists, a letter to their friend, neighbor, and relatives.

Support Programs at PEMS

We want every student to succeed and offer several programs to help students with their learning, behavior, and personal growth.

After-School Tutoring, One-on-One Support, and Coach Classes: Extra help in reading, math, and other subjects and coach classes for small-group sessions.

Restorative Circles: Through small-group discussions, students learn how to solve problems peacefully, build positive relationships, express themselves, listen, and work through conflicts in a respectful way.

Firm Up Block (Daily Intervention Time) in Middle School: 50 minutes each day to build skills and confidence and stay on track with learning.

ASALA and MCAP Prep: Free After School Arts for Learning Academy (ASALA) for K-8 with arts and academic support, plus Maryland state test (MCAP) prep (see page 4).

Boys to Men Mentoring: Connects young men with mentors for guidance, encouragement, and support in school and life.

PBIS (Positive Behavior System): Rewards system to encourage good behavior, meeting school expectations and showing kindness.

Opportunities for Gifted and Advanced Learners

Students identified as Gifted and Advanced Learners (GAL), through various assessments (Mastery Tests, NWEA scores), have opportunities for advanced learning. Baltimore City Public Schools employs a fair process for identifying GAL students starting in kindergarten with universal screening and assessments like the Naglieri Test for critical thinking and problem-solving skills. GAL students receive personalized support through an Individualized Learning Plan (ILP), developed collaboratively with GAL leads, teachers, and families to address academic and social-emotional needs.

GAL enrichment programs include:

- Medical Detectives where students explore the human body and solve medical mysteries
- Johns Hopkins Science Activities in collaboration with Johns Hopkins University on advanced science projects for hands-on learning.

If you have a question about any of our programs or feel your child may be a good fit for the GAL program, contact us to learn more.

JOIN US for the PTO Meeting: May 14, 2:45-3:15 p.m., Library

May Parenting Workshops

Workshop, May 7:
Empathy is a Parenting Super Tool

Circle: May 21:
Remembering How to Feel

Register by scanning the QR code below:



Ms. Braxton
Community School Coordinator
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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!

May & June Events

May 14: PTO Meeting, 2:45 pm - 3:30 pm

May 15: BCP's "Are You Smarter Than a BCP Student?" Gala, 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm, Baltimore Museum of Industry, tickets required

May 16: School Closed; Professional Development

May 26: School Closed for Memorial Day

May 29: Rocky's Field Day for elementary students

May 30: Rocky's Field Day for middle school students

June 4: PTO Meeting, 2:45 pm - 3:30 p.m.

June 10th: 8th Grade Closing Ceremony and 8th Grade Prom

June 13: Last Day of School

Baltimore Curriculum Project



Sharon Onyenwenu Enobun, PEMS 8th grader with dreams of becoming a nurse, will proudly represent our school at the Baltimore Curriculum Project's "Are You Smarter Than a BCP Student?" Gala on Thursday, May 15th at the Baltimore Museum of Industry.

Sharon will compete in **Round Two**, teaming up with fellow 8th-grade scholars from **City Springs** and **Hampstead Hill Academy** to take on this year's celebrity challengers in a live quiz competition:

- **Carole Boston Weatherford** – Award-winning author and poet
- **Dr. Darrell Gray, II** – President & CEO of Wellpoint
- **Commissioner Robert Salley** – Chair of the Baltimore City Public School Board

Emceed by WYPR's *Midday* host **Tom Hall**, the evening will feature food, drinks, and a heartwarming celebration of Baltimore's future leaders. For more information on the event or to purchase tickets, **visit baltimorecp.org**. Good luck, Sharon! We're cheering you on!



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.