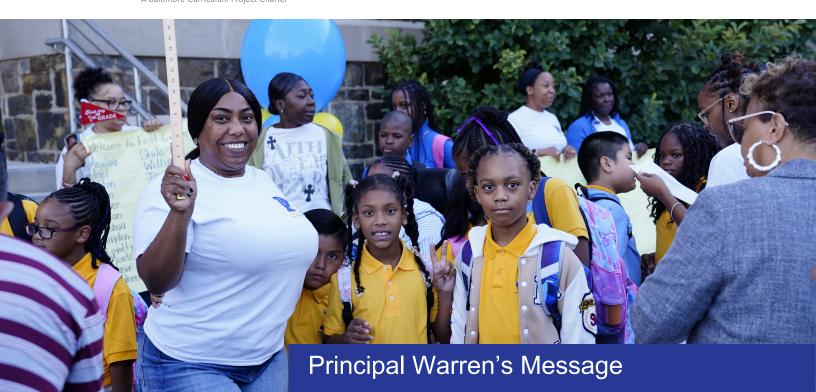


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Pimlico Elementary/Middle School Newsletter



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Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! We are very excited for the learning, growth, and community your child will experience as part of Pimlico Elementary / Middle School.

Sending your child to school every day is one of the most important things you can do to support your child's education and future. Daily attendance helps students stay on track academically, build social skills, and feel connected to our community.

All our faculty and staff are focused on reducing chronic absenteeism (when a student misses 10% or more of the school year). What constitutes an absence? ANY excused and unexcused absence for illness, family emergencies, or other reasons.

Did you know even missing just two days a month can add up and place a student in this category? Thank you for being our educational partner and supporting your child's academic journey and growth by making sure they are at school every day!

Make sure you are checking the ClassDojo app every day. And let us know how we may help you and your child thrive in and out of class. Here's to our Pimlico Pride in every way, every day!

Fondly, Principal Warren

Afterschool Program

The After School Arts for Learning Academy (ASALA) offers students in grades K-8 the chance to explore their creativity through the arts—completely FREE!

Operated by Arts for Learning Maryland, ASALA runs 2:30-5:30 PM, Monday-Thursday during the school year. Program begins in October. Watch for details.

Students engage in arts-integrated academic learning and enrichment, exploring various art forms like illustration, spoken word, percussion, drama, and dance with professional artists. ASALA provides:

- A Creative and Supportive Learning Environment
- Homework Assistance
- Arts-Integrated Math and Literacy
- Arts Explorations, Athletics, and Robotics

Contact: Ms. Tyler at tjtyler@bcps.k12.md.us

NWEA Testing: Sept. 3-9

All K-8th students will take the NWEA MAP tests from September 3-9. These computer-based tests (taken at the beginning, middle, and end of the year) help us understand and tailor each student's learning level and track their progress.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's teacher.

Back-to-School Jam

We celebrated the new school year on August 21 with our annual Back-to-School Jam. The event included backpacks and supplies from community partners, plus fun activities like pony rides, games, free haircuts, a climbing wall, food, a game truck, and a deejay. Partners included B'more for Healthy Babies, Turnaround Tuesday, the Baltimore Sheriff's Office, Harbor Bank, and the Mayor's Office of Children & Family Success.







First Day of School!

On August 25, our Pimlico Pride was on full display as we greeted students and families with balloons, smiles, hugs, and excitement! It's going to be a great year, Stallions!







"Today is the first page of a new book. Make it a good story!" —
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Uniform Info

We are a uniform school. Students wear PEMS logo shirt (short sleeve, \$10; long sleeve, \$12), or sweatshirt (\$15) every day. Khaki or black pants or skirt or jeans (with no holes). Contact an administrator if you need financial assistance with the uniform.

Immunization Info

All students must have up-to-date immunizations to attend school, as required by the Maryland Health Department. For 2025–2026:

- 7th grade students need one dose of the Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine and one dose of the Tdap vaccine, in addition to other required shots.
- Kindergarten students need two doses of the Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine, plus all other required immunizations.

Questions or need immunizations updated, please contact your child's doctor, a Health Department clinic, or Ms. Adams at TRadams@bcps.k12.md.us.

Cell Phone Policy

We are enforcing City Schools' NEW policy. ANY student device (cell phones, iPads, wireless headphones, ear pods, and smartwatches) MUST BE powered off and stored away during the school day.

We collect ALL student devices in the morning before school starts. Thank you for your help in creating a vibrant learning environment free from distractions.

Read more:

https://www.baltimorecityschools.org/pa ge/cell-phone-policy



Welcome New Teachers & Staff!

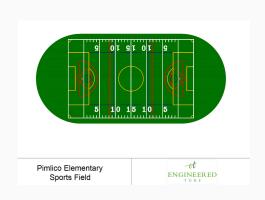
We're thrilled to welcome our dedicated teachers and staff back for another year—and to introduce 17 new team members who are already embracing the Pimlico Way. This year is extra special as we celebrate 30 years of the Baltimore Curriculum Project, which has proudly been our charter operator since Pimlico became a charter school in 2021. With our anniversary shirts on and school spirit high, we're ready for the best year yet!

- Tiffany Key, Educational Associate
- Leticia Chandler, Educational Associate
- Bernita Walker, 2nd Grade Teacher
- Claudessa Josephs, 4th Paraeducator
- · Justin Jeffries, 6th Grade SS
- Shannon Daughtery, 7th Grade Math
- Shannon Ham-Alston, 8th Grade SS
- Angela Randolph, 6-8 Sped SC ELA/SS
- Tracey Wells, Paraeducator (Floater)

- Ronika Bobbitt, BCP Tutor
- Shakiya Johnson, BCP Tutor
- Iyanna Taylor, Elem Teacher
- Tikesha Parker, Elem Sped/ ELA
- · Donavan Adams, RP Coach
- Ishmaiah Calwrie, Paraeducator
- · Anya Byrd, Math Resident Teacher
- Emiliy Trejo, ELA Resident Teacher

Turf Field News

Permits are official and in place for our new turf field at Pimlico! Construction will begin in the next few weeks, with completion expected later this year. The new field will feature space for football, lacrosse, and soccer and a 4-lane running track, bringing even more opportunities for our students and community to stay active and thrive. Go, Stallions!



Peaceful Parenting Programs





Attendance Challenges! We have several initiatives to encourage and reward perfect attendance. Rocky's Attendance Contests are daily for every student and grade. Each grade who receives the highest increase in attendance gets a pizza party. For every parent/guardian whose child comes to school each day, their name is entered in a monthly raffle for a \$100 Visa gift card, 1 parent/grade. Remember: In school, every day, in uniform.

On Sept. 30, every student in attendance that day will celebrate with games, fun food, and activities in a student-only Countdown event, 1 for Elementary School and 1 for Middle School.

Parent Engagement: Parent-school communication and collaboration are important. All are welcome to join the Parent-Teacher Organization. First PTO Meeting: Sept. 25, 2:45-3:45 PM, Community Suite

Pimlico's Community School Coordinator: Theresa Braxton tbraxton@phrmd.org

Contact her with any needs or questions.



Upcoming Events

Hispanic Heritage Month: Sept. 15-Oct. 15

Peaceful Parenting Workshop, Wednesday, Sept. 17, 3:30 PM, Library

Back to School Night: Thursday, Sept. 18, 4-6 PM

Peaceful Parenting Circle: Wednesday, Sept. 24, 3:30 PM, Library **PTO Meeting:** Thursday, Sept. 25, 2:45-3:45 PM, Community Suite

Progress Reports: Sept. 29-Oct. 1

Countdown 30 Event (students only): Sept. 30, during school day with games/activities for all

students

NO SCHOOL OCT. 2: Wellness Day

Baltimore Curriculum Project



The Baltimore Curriculum Project (BCP) is 30 years old! As the charter operator for Pimlico and five other City schools, BCP has spent three decades advancing public education and helping students thrive academically and socially.

Join us for the **free BCP** premiere of *Restorative Practices Make Strong Schools*, highlighting the impact of restorative practices at BPC schools City Springs and Hampstead Hill. Evening includes a panel discussion moderated by WYPR's Tom Hall on how restorative practices are shaping our school community.



September 29, 4:00-5:30 PM Hampstead Hill Academy, 500 S. Linwood Ave., Baltimore Scan the QR code to RSVP.

BCP has a new program to support student attendance and reduce chronic absenteeism, led by BCP's new Lead Attendance Monitor, Jayla Pope, Fulbright Scholar and Morgan State graduate, who is working closely with school teams and families to track progress and help every student come to school ready to learn and succeed.

Visit baltimorecp.org for more!

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.