



Office of Community Partnerships

June 2022



From the Desk of Barbara Holt Streeter Partnerships Officer

Greetings Partners, Principals and Friends!

In 2020, graduating seniors had to settle for a televised graduation ceremony as COVID-19 had changed the norm of the world. Many had found it difficult not to be able to commemorate their accomplishments with families and friends. Innovatively, celebratory drive-bys and/or e-celebrations became the new norm. While these forms of social events continue for some, Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) is delighted to recognize its more than 7,000 seniors as they prepare to walk across the stage to accept their diplomas.

In addition to celebrating our seniors, we applaud CEO, Dr. Monica Goldson, appointee to the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Ms. Evelyn Perez Policarpio, winner of the PGCPS 2022 Teacher of the Year.

In 2021, President Biden announced his desire to appoint a group of representatives to the President's

Board of Advisors on HBCUs. Dr. Goldson, a threetime graduate from HBCUs, is one of 18 appointees to the board.

On May 16, PGCPS hosted its 2022 Teacher of the Year celebration. Our Teacher of the Year is Ms. Evelyn Policarpio, a 35-year educator and eighth grade math teacher at Benjamin Tasker Middle School. With the focus on small group instruction, she has been able to challenge her students with rigor and engagement.

Congratulations to every one of you!

Yours in Service,

Barbara Holt Streeter



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TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Evelyn Perez Policarpio has been teaching for 35 years with 14 years of experience with Prince George's County Public Schools. She is currently an eighth grade math teacher at Benjamin Tasker Middle School. Ms. Policarpio, who is originally from the Philippines, moved to the United States in 2004 and began her career as a teacher in New York Public Schools. However, life had a change of plans and she transitioned to teaching at Prince George's County Public Schools. It all began when she met a friend in the New York City Subway who encouraged her to become a teacher with PGCPS.

Ms. Policarpio's educational background includes a bachelor's degree in education attained at Holy Angel University in the Philippines and a master's in education with a concentration in Curriculum and Instruction from the American College of Education.

From many Mathematics competitions, her students are the reigning champions of the Math Madness National Competition. She has been honored as the 2021 MEGGY Award Winner, Outstanding Educator in Gifted and Talented Education-Teacher as Leader by EGATE, Outstanding Teacher by PDK International AU Chapter 0151, Outstanding Mathematics Teacher Region III and irreplaceable Teacher of the Year.

Special thanks to Kaiser Permanente as one of our sponsors of the Teacher of the Year event. Ms. Policarpio received a \$2,500 donation for her school as well as a \$2,000 donation to purchase new technology for her classroom.

Congratulations, Ms. Policarpio, on your new journey in preparation for the Maryland State Board of Education, Teacher of the Year competition.



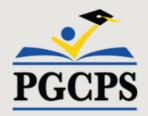
Evelyn Policarpio, PGCPS 2022 Teacher of the Year



Left to right:

Sharelle Stagg, Assistant Principal - Greenbelt Elementary School; Tiffany Doster, Sr. Recruitment and Retention Advisor; Dr. Kendra Hill, Principal - Benjamin Tasker Middle School; Evelyn Policarpio, Teacher of the Year; Dr. Monica Goldson, CEO; Janine Hill-Ziegler, Executive Account Mgr. - Kaiser Permanente; and Barbara Holt Streeter, Partnerships Officer





TEACHER OF THE YEAR



Ms. Policarpio demonstrates her tactics to educating her students. Left - small group instruction; right student involvement; and bottom - teacher led instruction







Ms. Policarpio, TOTY (center) with TOTY Roundtable (former teacher of the year winners), Sharelle Stagg (left) and Tiffany Doster (right)



Left to right: Dr. David Curry Jr., Associate Superintendent; Ms. Policarpio, TOTY; Dr. Monica Goldson, CEO; Dr. Kendra Hill, Principal - Benjamin Tasker Middle School



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With the over 50 nominations received, also honored were Alphonso Jiles from Dr. Henry A Wise Jr., High School as the 1st runner-up and Menet McCoy from Melwood Elementary as the 2nd runner-up.

Mr. Jiles is a high school music teacher who has dedicated over 32 years of his life to education. He has a very calm relationship with his students and that is also demonstrated in the classroom atmosphere. He expressed that at one time he had wished to retire; however, his heart was still set for the classroom and believes that he is still able to provide a little more fun and joy in the heart of his students. His goal is to provide educational support to his students as long as he can. Mr. Jiles has been awarded, recognized and inducted into many organizations: the National Band Association, National Association for Music Education, Maryland State Education Association, Maryland Music Educators Association and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

Ms. McCoy is a fifth grade social studies teacher who has been in the classroom for over eight years. She serves as the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics) Coordinator at her school. Her goal is to constantly think outside of the box to differentiate her instructional practices to allow all her scholars to access content knowledge. She is implicitly passionate about teaching the whole child, academically and socioemotionally. Ms. McCoy holds Category 1, 2 and 3 workshop authorizations in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.



Alphonso Jiles, teacher Dr. Henry A. Wise Jr., High School - 1st runner-up



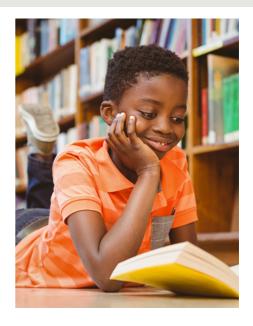
Menet McCoy, teacher Melwood Elementary School - 2nd runner-up





PARTNER SPOTLIGHT



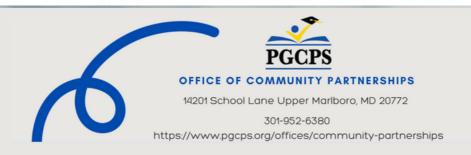


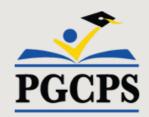
A big thank you goes out to all of our partner volunteers that participated in the BookNook PGCPSReads Programs!

Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) partnered with BookNook in November 2020 to bring our youngest students the support and enrichment they needed and craved during virtual learning. Partner volunteers were paired with elementary students to serve as reading guides in both a summer 2021 and spring 2022 session. The program was offered at no cost to students.

Our volunteer reading guides' goals were to increase students' reading comprehension, fluency, confidence and general interest to read. Students and volunteer partners met virtually twice a week for six weeks to read books that were selected based on the student's reading level and need. Volunteers were also asked to use the given reading guide prompts to ensure that lessons were being comprehended, keep students focused, learn something new about their students each night, and celebrate students' accomplishments with praise and affirmation!

Overall, the program was a success for both the volunteers and the students who enjoyed their reading time together. Students made progress in strengthening their literacy skills and our partners were able to give back in an uncertain time, making a direct impact on students of PGCPS!





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BookNook Volunteer Readers		
Volunteer Name	Organization	
Lewis, Deanna Lachelle	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Lowery, LaVerne	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority - Delta Zeta Zeta Chapter	
MCCARTHY, LAUREN-JEI	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
McDougall Hall, Yvonne	McDougall International, Inc.	
Moore, LaJuan Wright	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Non-Profit: Ivy Community Charities	
Moses, Caryne	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Page, Rosa G	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Non-Profit: Ivy Community Charities	
Parker, Patricia Ann	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Peebles, Wendy Denise	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Reid, Natasha Roma	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Richmond, Ethel Fraser	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Robinson, LaTanya	Joe's Movement Emporium	
Roux, Denise	Kingdon Fellowship A.M.E.	
Roy, Brenda	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Russell, Marguerite Gaines	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Sims, Belinda Enita	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Singh, Eveleen	UMD - Maryland Mentoring Corps	
Street, Rachel	First Baptist Church of Glenarden	
Swindell, Benita	Pearl Elegance Foundation - AKA	
Symonette Ferguson, Erika	Kingdon Fellowship A.M.E.	
Turner, Winifred	AKA - Ivy Commuity Charities	
Vargas, Stephanie	UMD - Maryland Mentoring Corps	
Vu, Amh	UMD - Maryland Mentoring Corps	
Walker, Juanita	True Deliverance Church of God Ministries	
Walker, Paula	The Links - Mount Rose (MD) Chapter	
Washington, Linda	AKA - Ivy Commuity Charities	
Watkins-Lewis, Karen	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Non-Profit: Ivy Community Charities	
Young-Anderson, Christian "Chelle"	Kingdon Fellowship A.M.E.	

BookNook Volunteer Readers		
Volunteer Name	Organization	
Austin, Talia	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapter	
Backus, Denise Nicole	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapter	
Barron, LaVerne Peebles	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapter	
Blake, Annette	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Non-Profit: Ivy Community Charities	
Bolden, Ana	First Baptist Church of Glenarden	
Botchway, Rose mary	Kingdon Fellowship A.M.E.	
Byrd, Sharon	First Baptist Church of Glenarden	
Catalan, Bernadette	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapter	
Dennis, Rita Rosamond	Redeemers Church of Christ	
Elkinson, Melissa	UMD - Maryland Mentoring Corps	
Ellington-Humphrey, Sheila	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Non-Profit: Ivy Community Charities	
Fields-Johnson, Scarlette	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority - Delta Zeta Zeta Chapter	
Fleetwood, Kimberly	Kingdon Fellowship A.M.E.	
Fold, Robert	Minority Access, Inc.	
Garnett, Erica Lane	Kingdon Fellowship A.M.E.	
Gay, Julia Garland	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Non-Profit: Ivy Community Charities	
Glasper, Kevin Sr.	First Baptist Church of Glenarden	
Gordon, Sheree	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapter	
Gray, Bonnie	Minority Access, Inc.	
HARLEY, LAVERNE	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Hodge, Deborah	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Hunt, Lydia	Kingdon Fellowship A.M.E.	
Hutchins, Angela Danette	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapter	
Jeter, Arleen	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Non-Profit: Ivy Community Charities	
Jones, Rhonda	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapte	
Jordan, Garlette Louise	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Non-Profit: Ivy Community Charities	
Jordan, Miriam	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Prince George's County Alumnae Chapter	
Lasisi, Bose	Redeemers Church of Christ	
Lee, Clevette	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority - Delta Zeta Zeta Chapter	







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Mrs. Pamela Mazza carrying backpacks into Kingsford ES for the backpack drive.





Left to right: From Largo Community Church: Mr. John Edwards; Executive Minister Dwayne Hooper Sr.; Mr. Phillip Mazza; Mrs. Pamela Mazza and from PGCPS: Ms. Jocelyn Price, Assistant Principal

Based in Mitchellville, MD, the Largo Community Church is a non-denominational congregation that is completely owned and supported by the membership. Founded by Senior Pastor Jack Morris in 1972, the Largo Community Church is now an official partner of Prince George's County Public Schools through the Office of Community Partnerships. The Partnership Agreement is a very simple process and is made between an organization and the school system where no student interaction is involved. This form of partnership provides in-kind and/or financial support to the partner's adopted school and school district. The agreement usually lasts two years.

Before becoming an official partner, the Largo Community Church had been serving our students and schools for several years. The first school they collaborated with was Kingsford Elementary when the school first opened. Later, they broadened their support to Rogers Heights Elementary and now they serve and support the International High School at Largo as well. Led by Executive Minister Dwayne Hooper Sr., the church has supported these schools with food donations, uniforms, coats, stationery, backpacks and paper, to name a few. The relationship between the Largo Community Church and these schools has developed to the point that the schools feel comfortable reaching out at any given time for assistance and support.

We commend Largo Community Church for its generous support and we look forward to our continued partnership.





OFFICE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS IN ACTION

Photos showing our Partnerships Officer, Barbara Holt Streeter, soaring to new heights as she experienced a firsthand "pilot experience" event held by Joint Base Andrews Honorary Commander.



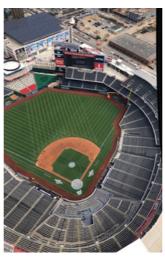
Barbara Holt Streeter geared up and ready to see the view from the skies.



Left to right: From PGCPS, Samantha Cotton; Dr. Felicia Martin Latief; Dr. Tameka Woodruff; Barbara Holt Streeter; Sonya Gaston and from Andrews AFB, Lt. Col. Thomas Shea, 3-16 Operations Support Squadron Commander



Dr. Martin Latief and Barbara showing the excitement from inside the helicopter with the pilots.



Aerial view of Washington Nationals Park



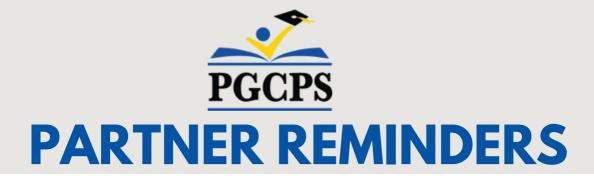
Aerial view of 16th Street NW Washington, D.C.



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- All volunteers must sign up in the Volunteer Registration System (VRS). Visit www.pgcps.org/volunteer for more information.
- Mandatory SafeSchools Training must be completed every new school year.
- An updated Certificate of Insurance must be sent to the Office of Community Partnerships (OCP) when your current one expires.
- OCP must be informed when partners would like to add a school to their partnership agreement.
- All partner programs will remain virtual until further notice.

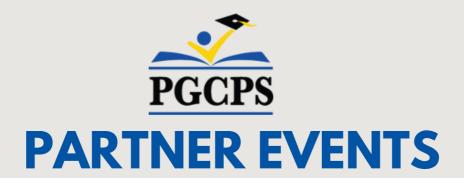
Upcoming Events

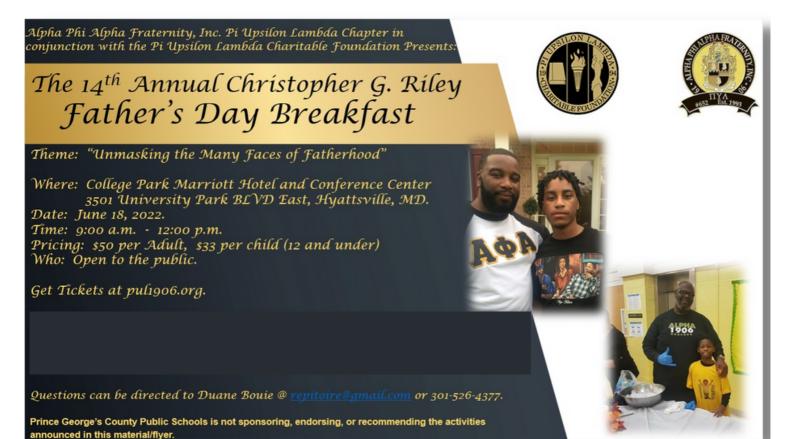
- The next PGCPS
 Community Partners
 meeting is Wednesday,
 June 15 from 2 3 p.m.
- College Track's first "Launch to College" event is June 27.

Special Notes

Let's promote the great things you are doing in our schools. Please email us your photos and details of events that you host to support our students and schools to partnerships@pgcps.org.











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