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# Partner PGCPs: Fall Forward into New Partnership Opportunities!

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## Partner PGCPs

*Bringing Businesses, Communities and Schools Together!*



Staff from PGCPS partner Elaine Ellis deliver donations to support the students of PGCPS.

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## October 2020

### Welcome, Fall!



#### Greetings!

I am very excited to welcome you to not only our October newsletter, but the fall season! Fall is one of my favorite seasons. As the air grows cooler, a sense of newness and excitement can be felt all around us.

Our department has made a few exciting updates of our own to improve and streamline your partnership experience. In this issue, learn more about how these changes will help you continue supporting our students and schools.

We are incredibly grateful for the support of our valued business and community leaders who continue to extend their unwavering support. Many thanks to **Game Plan, Inc.** and **Elaine Ellis Center of Health** for donating school supplies and wellness resources!

Our **grab-and-go events** remain popular. If you are interested in hosting one, please contact [partnerships@pgcps.org](mailto:partnerships@pgcps.org). Follow the Office of Community Partnerships on Twitter ([@PGCPSPartners](https://twitter.com/PGCPSPartners)) for more ways that you can support our students.

As we continue virtual learning, your time and donations are more than acts of kindness. These gifts play a unique role in enhancing learning opportunities and filling emerging support gaps where

### Quick Links

**ADOPT A SCHOOL PROGRAM** The Adopt A School Program focuses on enhancing college and career exposure, financial support and partner volunteer services for our schools. Click the icon to learn more about our program.

The Partners in Education (PIE)

### Partner PGcps: Fall Forward into New Partnership Opportunities!



Program was launched in 2017. Our program focuses on strategic partners with a specific area of support for schools. Click the icon to learn more about our program and how to apply.

needed the most. We are grateful for partners like you as we enter a new season and look forward to the great things to come.

Sincerely,

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## Creating a Smoother Partnership Experience



The **Adopt-A-School** and **Partners In Education (P.I.E.)** programs have merged to create one great program that will be known as Adopt-A-School. This effort will streamline the on-boarding process and provide greater flexibility across programs to create the highest level of impact for students and schools.

New partners should use this [link](#) to access the program application. Approved P.I.E. partners with a current memorandum of understanding (MOU) are not affected.

## Elaine Ellis Center of Health and Game Plan, Inc. Support Students



We appreciate the support of Elaine Ellis Center of Health and Game Plan, Inc. for their donations to support our students and schools. Game Plan provided 250 drawstring bags with health and wellness resources and Elaine Ellis provided 100 backpacks containing school supplies.

## WATCH: Teacher of the Year to be Showcased in State Competition



Please join us in supporting Prince George's County Teacher of The Year Mary Piccirilli as she competes for Maryland Teacher of the Year! The winner will be announced Thursday, Oct. 8 at 8 p.m. [Watch](#)

## Partner Spotlight: EVOLVE and Vice Chair, Calvin Hawkins, II



We appreciate Vice Chair, Calvin Hawkins, II, Prince George's County Council At-Large and nonprofit EVOLVE for recently donating 350 boxes of fresh produce to the Oxon Hill High School community.

*Pictured (top-right): EVOLVE Executive Director Vashonda Arrington, EVOLVE Founder Kyle Arrington and volunteers donate their time along with fresh fruit and vegetables at Oxon Hill High School with Principal Mar-C Holland.*

## Sponsorship Spotlight: Become an Alumni Alliance Partner



The Office of Community Partnerships is teaming up with the Excellence in Education Foundation for PGPCS to reward alumni and employees through the Alumni Alliance initiative. Local and national business chains have an opportunity to provide unique discount opportunities exclusive to program members.

So far, **Great Wolf Lodge** and **Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament** are on board with the new rewards program. Be on the lookout for the official announcement of this exciting new program at the PGPCS Hall of Fame Virtual Gala next month.

For more information on how your business can become an Alumni Alliance partner, contact Quon C. Wilson, Marketing Communications Specialist, at [quon.wilson@pgcps.org](mailto:quon.wilson@pgcps.org).

## Making an Impact: Purposity Helps Students in Need



PGCPS is linking up with [Purposity](#) to make a bigger impact in the lives of the students we serve. Purposity, an app that shares the needs of students and their families, offers those who want to help with a means to do so.

After [downloading the app](#) and following PGCPS, you'll receive just one weekly notification with specific community needs. Decide if you want to help meet a need in just a few clicks, right from your phone — and you'll know exactly who you're helping and why. [Download the app](#) today to help PGCPS get up and running on this platform. For more information on the Purposity initiative, contact [tisa.holley@pgcps.org](mailto:tisa.holley@pgcps.org).

## Dance With Kaiser Permanente Every Thursday



### Thriving Thursday School Dance Party Brought to you by Kaiser Permanente

To register, click here:

<https://kpmas.cvent.com/SchoolDance>

**Put down your lesson plans and get ready to dance your workday away with your colleagues!**

**All school administration, staff, families, and pets are invited to our first ever virtual dance party series.**

**Join us as the DJ plays the beats to make you move your feet. Also, have the chance to win giveaway prizes!**

**Join the fun EVERY Thursday in October From 7-8 PM**

**October 1st  
October 8<sup>th</sup>  
October 15<sup>th</sup>  
October 22<sup>nd</sup>  
October 29<sup>th</sup>**

School administrators and staff, put down your lesson plans and get ready to dance your workday away! Join Kaiser Permanente's Thriving Thursday School Dance Party — their first-ever virtual dance party series — every Thursday this month.

## Support & Save: Special Offers from Our Partners



Check out this month's special offers from valued partners!

### J. CREW

#### J. Crew

PGCPS teachers can enjoy a **15% education discount** courtesy of J. Crew. Click this [link](#) to register as a "teacher." When registering, select your school location. You will be prompted to upload a copy of your PGCPS ID badge or a copy of your letter of employment on PGCPS letterhead. This discount opportunity is primarily for teachers. Other PGCPS employees can try to apply for the discount opportunity by selecting the closest PGCPS school location of your assigned work location and provide employment verification documents, as requested. Final approval is determined by J.Crew.



#### Educational Systems Federal Credit Union

Educational Systems Federal Credit Union is currently having a [Fall Auto Sale](#). Employees can receive a \$200 cash bonus when they finance or refinance their new or used auto loan that's currently with another financial institution with a minimum loan amount of \$15,000. The deadline to take advantage of this opportunity is Oct. 15.

Enjoy rates as low as 2.99% APR, no payments for 90 days and a summer skip payment option.

#### Take Your Career To The Next Level!

Loyola University Maryland's School of Education is now accepting applications for our [cohort graduate programs](#) for Spring 2021 semester. Classes begin January 2021.



We offer educators the opportunity to earn an affordable master's degree at one of our convenient locations and most programs can be completed within two years. Cohort graduate programs offered include master's and certificate degrees in: **Educational Leadership, Educational Technology\*, Literacy/Reading Specialist\*, Literacy Teacher for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Populations\*, and Teaching English Language Learners\*(\*programs offered fully online).**

Cohort classes are lockstep and are held only one night per week in either hybrid or fully online formats. Due to Covid-19, all classes are currently being held online. Additionally, cohorts benefit from a **15% tuition discount**, and merit-based scholarship opportunities ranging from \$1,000-\$2,000 are available for Spring 2021 only.

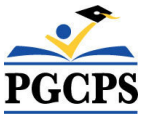
Please join us for an upcoming virtual information session to learn more about our programs and how you can benefit. By attending, your \$60 application fee will be waived! We look forward to seeing you there!

Details on upcoming information sessions are available at <https://www.loyola.edu/school-education/academics/cohorts>

If you have any additional questions, contact recruiters Jerusha Dunning or Jade Margerum at 410-617-2990, or email [education@loyola.edu](mailto:education@loyola.edu). We want you more than ready, Loyola ready!



Partnerships Team with CEO Dr. Monica Goldson  
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