



THE ARMISTEAD GARDENS SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Special Thank You** to our entire school community for your patience and understanding as we continuously work to improve upon our entry and dismissal policies for our 540 students! **Reminder: Cars should not stop in the middle of E. Eager Street.** Please park along the side of the street if you are dropping off or picking up children.
- ◆ **New Visitation Procedures**– We encourage parents to observe their children in class. If you wish to come in, contact your child's teacher to set up an appropriate time. Please be aware of the following NEW procedures for visiting our school:
 1. **Parents are not allowed to accompany their children to lockers or classrooms in the morning** because we want the children to develop independence. Please say your good byes prior to entry.
 2. **All visitors must sign in at the registration desk in the lobby and show a photo ID** to obtain a visitor's pass, which must be displayed at all times. Please return your visitor's pass when you leave.
- ◆ **NEW Early Release Protocol- ONLY Parents/ Guardians or Emergency Contacts (as noted on the Child's emergency card on file in the office) are allowed to sign students out early.** If you need to sign a child out before the end of the school day, you must fill out the Early Release Form (available at the reception desk) and show a picture ID. Please try to schedule appointments for before of after school hours.
- ◆ **Lunch Applications:** It is very important to **return your child's Lunch Application by Friday Sept 23rd.** Our School will get additional funding from Federal Title 1

Grants for a 100% return! Please help us earn funding for our school by completing the Lunch Application and returning it to school ASAP. Individual students whose parents complete the Lunch Applications will also be entered into a raffle with Baltimore City Schools to win fabulous prizes!

- ◆ **BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT-** Back to School Night will take place on **Wednesday Sept 21 from 5– 7PM.** We encourage all parents to come in to hear about the wonderful things going on at AG and to meet with your child's teachers. Please note that this will not be the time to have a formal, sit down conference, but you will be able to schedule conferences for a later date. We will also have news about our exciting PTA events for the year. Parents can join the PTA that evening for a \$4.00 membership fee.
- ◆ **Purple Fridays!- Every Friday during football season, students can wear their purple** to help support the Ravens! Students can wear their favorite Ravens jersey or T-shirt, or any purple top along with their khaki bottoms.
- ◆ **Joe Corbi's Pizza Fundraiser!-** Please support our Fall Fundraiser! We will be selling delicious food products from the world famous Joe Corbi's Pizza! Top selling students and classes can earn prizes and rewards. Information will be given out in the next few weeks. All proceeds from the fundraiser will go towards resources for students including, instructional materials and special programs!
- ◆ **Head Lice** have appeared on some of our young children. Please monitor your child's hair and scalp and if you discover lice, treat your kids with a lice shampoo, comb out nits (eggs) with a head lice comb, and clean any recently used clothing and bedding.

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Dates of interest:

- Wed Sept 21– Back to School Night 5-7PM
- Fri Sept 23, 11:00-2:30PM– Grade 2 and 3 trip to Pumpkin Theater– Charlotte's Web
- Fri Sept 23, 4-5PM– Dizzy Dancin' in the gym for Grades PreK-3
- Mon Sept 26, 3:45-5:45PM– First Day of EBLO After-school Program
- Fri Sept 30, 4-5PM– Mingle Mixer in gym for Grades 4-7
- Mon Oct 3– Quarter 1 Progress Reports go home
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- Mon Oct 4- Quarter 1, Progress Reports go home
- Wed Oct 5, 4:30-6:30PM– Parent Conference Night
- Fri Oct 8– 1/2 Day for Students. Parent Teacher Conferences 1:30– 3:00PM.
- Mon Oct 17– Science Benchmark Test begins for Grades 5 and 8.
- Wed Oct 19, 5-7PM– Reading Family Fun Night
- Thurs Oct 20 and Fri Oct 21– No School, Teacher Professional Development.
- Mon Oct 31– Reading and Math Benchmark Test Begins for all students in Grades 1-8.
- Tues Nov 8– No School, Election Day