

## **New on the MCPS Web**

### **Coronavirus**

Information on the coronavirus and the school system's efforts to develop a response plan is available on the MCPS website at [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/coronavirus/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/coronavirus/).

### **Public Comment Sought on Amendments to Policy JEE**

The Board of Education is proposing amendments to Board Policy JEE, *Student Transfers*, and is seeking public comment on the amendments. The draft policy is available for public comment until Tuesday, April 21, 2020. Please visit [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/policy-for-public-comment.aspx](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/policy-for-public-comment.aspx) for more information.

### **Update on the Districtwide Boundary Analysis**

Members of the community and MCPS staff were sent an update on Friday, February 28 regarding the Districtwide Boundary Analysis. Visit

[www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/publicinfo/community/school-year-2019-2020/boundary-analysis-update-20200228.html](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/publicinfo/community/school-year-2019-2020/boundary-analysis-update-20200228.html) to read the update.

### **Presenting the 2019 Annual Report**

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## **Other News**

### **Nominations Open for Annual Distinguished Service to Public Education Awards**

The deadline is approaching to submit a nomination for the Montgomery County Board of Education's 23rd Annual Awards for Distinguished Service to Public Education. The awards are sponsored by the Board to recognize and show appreciation to individuals (including students), groups, and organizations that have made exemplary contributions to public education in

Montgomery County. Visit [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/boe/community/awards/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/boe/community/awards/) for more information. The deadline to submit a nomination is Friday, March 6.

### **Save the Date: Movie Screening, Discussion Set for April 16**

Staff and members of the community are invited to a movie screening of "[Resilience: The Biology of Stress & the Science of Hope](#)" on Thursday, April 16.

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### **How Is Your School or Office Celebrating Women's History Month?**

March is Women's History Month and MCPS wants to know how schools and offices are celebrating. Studying notable speeches, creating a wall of inspirational quotes, or watching a documentary on a powerful woman of influence? Let us know how you're commemorating the month, and we'll select some of your stories to feature.

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### **Students Invited to Apply to Be Councilmember for a Day**

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- What is the most important public policy issue facing young people today?
- What suggestions do you have for national, state, and/or local leaders to address this issue?

One student will be selected as an honorary Councilmember and will shadow Councilmember Rice for the day. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place.

Submissions are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 3.

## **Coronavirus (English and Spanish)**

Parents/guardians can stay up-to-date and find information on the coronavirus and the school system's efforts on the MCPS website at [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/coronavirus/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/coronavirus/).

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Los padres/guardianes pueden mantenerse actualizados y encontrar información sobre el coronavirus y los esfuerzos efectuados por el sistema escolar, visitando el sitio web de MCPS [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/coronavirus/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/coronavirus/).

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## **Se solicita la opinión pública sobre las enmiendas a la Política JEE**

El Consejo de Educación está proponiendo enmiendas a la Política JEE del Consejo, *Transferencias de Estudiantes*, y solicita comentarios del público sobre las enmiendas. El borrador de la política está disponible para comentarios del público hasta el martes, 21 de abril, 2020. Por favor visite [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/)

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## **Update on the Districtwide Boundary Analysis**

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more information about eligibility guidelines, location, and times of community registrations or required documents to complete an application, call 240-740-4530 or visit the [MCPS website](#).

### **La inscripción para Prekindergarten/Head Start comienza el 2 de marzo**

Los padres/guardianes que deseen inscribir a sus hijos en una clase de Prekindergarten o Head Start en MCPS para el ciclo escolar 2020–2021 pueden hacerlo a partir del lunes, 2 de marzo. Para poder solicitar, los niños deberán haber cumplido 4 años al 1<sup>ro</sup> de septiembre, 2020, o antes de esa fecha, y las familias deben ser elegibles en virtud de sus ingresos. Para más información sobre las normas de elegibilidad, los lugares y horarios de inscripción en la comunidad o para saber qué documentación se necesita para completar una solicitud, llame al 240-740-4530, o visite el sitio web de [MCPS](#).

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Entries can be submitted [here](#).

