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LMS PTA News and Events

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Longfellow Middle School PTA

Important Dates

- **TONIGHT - Wednesday, May 12** - Ledo's Pizza Event
- **Wednesday, May 26 NEW DATE** - PTA Meeting & Executive Board elections - 7:30 pm
- **Monday, May 31** - Memorial Day
- **8th Graders SAVE THE DATE - Monday, June 7** - 8th Grade Party (Invitation will go out THIS WEEK)
- **Tuesday, June 8** - Asynchronous Day for all FCPS Students
- **Friday, June 11** - Last day of School

Last PTA Fundraiser for the Year!



Fundraiser

TONIGHT

4 pm - 9pm

Join us to support Longfellow
Middles School PTA

Dine-in or Carry-out

Ledo Pizza
7510 Leesburg Pike
Falls Church, VA 22043
(703) 847-5336
<https://ledopizza.com> FALLS CHURCH LOCATION

*When you place your order at the Falls Church
location please:*

- mention Longfellow Middle School PTA
- or
- write LMSPTA on your receipt

Make sure your purchase is counted.

Up to 20% of sales will be donated to LMS PTA



Executive Board Nominees for 2021-2022

We are excited to announce our executive board for 2021-2022.

We have a fantastic group of nominees who are of diverse backgrounds and volunteer experiences. Together, this group will work to support excellence at Longfellow and engage with our community.



Please join our last PTA meeting of the year on **Wednesday, May 26** to vote for the 2021-2022 executive board.

- President-Elect: Robin Reck

- Secretary: Amy Kales
- Treasurer: Kerrie Lineweaver
- VP Programs: David Jiang + Solat Zaidi
- VP Fundraising: Anne Batdorf
- VP Communications: VACANT

[Click here to find bios of the nominees.](#)

Volunteers NEEDED

PTA Needs Spirit Wear Committee Chairs for next year!

Take your school spirit to the next level by helping run our Spirit Wear committee! We look forward to being able to have merchandise tables at next year's PTA events, but we won't be able to do it without people to run them. Sign up now for our Spirit Wear Committee!

Please contact our VP of Fundraising, Shelly Breslin at shellbreslin@yahoo.com for more information or to volunteer.

Rising 7TH Grade Families



Time to order spirit packs to help get your student excited for middle school this fall.

A \$25 pack includes a Longfellow T-shirt, insulated bag and several other must have logo items. Other spirit wear items are also available for purchase including sweatshirts and PJ pants.

Great gifts for 6th grade graduation!

For more info, go to www.longfellowpta.org/spirit-wear-shop and **order by May 23.**

The MHS PTSA Needs You! Please Volunteer!

This school year was unprecedented, yet we found ways to help our students and families stay connected virtually and we made improvements that benefited our Highlander community. We thank our PTSA parent volunteers for their accomplishments this year. As the class of 2021 graduates, we will be saying goodbye to some of the volunteers who are parents of our senior class.



We are currently filling positions for the upcoming school year (2021-22). We need LMS parents whose students are at MHS to step in, help, and continue the awesome work that the PTSA has done; it's a meaningful way to stay engaged with the school!

Remember, MHS PTSA is a volunteer run organization and it cannot continue without your help. Please consider joining the PTSA Board for the upcoming school year. You can find volunteer positions [here](#). Submit your interest to the nominating committee at nominate@mcleanptsa.org

Diversity in Stem Talk



The PTSA Diversity Committee of the Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology will hold its last **Diversity in STEM Talk** for the school year in May! This series is especially for elementary and middle school students in grades 4-8.

Dr. Zephania Birech will be our guest on **Monday, May 17, at 6 p.m.** He will be joining us all the way from the University of Nairobi in Kenya. Dr. Birech earned his Bachelors of Education with a major in Physics and a minor in Mathematics from Kenyatta University, Kenya in 2000. He then taught physics for seven years at a Kenyan high school before pursuing his doctoral degree at the University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, where he earned his Ph.D. in Physics in 2012. Dr. Birech is currently a Lecturer -- equivalent to an associate professor at U.S. universities -- in the Department of Physics of the University of Nairobi. He is leading a laser physics research group to investigate light-matter interactions for solar energy harvesting and single-molecule detection. Join us in May to find out more about Dr. Birech and his projects!

- What sparked his interest in physics?
- What does he enjoy most about physics?

- How does he merge research and teaching as a physics professor?
- What would he recommend to students who want to pursue a career in science?
- What else would you like to know?

Parents, register at this Zoom link*: <http://bit.ly/TJStemTalk5>

*To ensure you receive the Zoom link, do not use an FCPS schools student email account!

Submit questions in advance here: <https://bit.ly/tjdiversitytalks>

Information and recordings from past Diversity in STEM Talks can be found on the TJ PTSA Diversity Committee webpage: <https://tjptsa.com/committees/diversity/>

Dranesville District - FCPS School Board Member Newsletter

School Board Member Elaine Tholen Newsletter

Here is a [link](#) to the latest email newsletter. It included return to schoolupdate and McLean High Schoolboundary adjustment.



2021-2022 School Year Calendar



The Fairfax County School Board approved the [2021-22 school year calendar](#). It includes 15 religious and cultural observance dates that are recognized by FCPS.

Parents and community members can subscribe to have the dates sync with their Google, Outlook, or other online calendar applications. To do so, go to the [Subscribe to Calendars web page](#) and select Religious and Cultural Observances.

Five Day In-Person Instruction for All Students

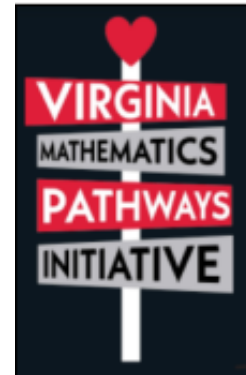
Fairfax County Public Schools are planning now for a successful transition in the fall to welcome all students back to school buildings for five days a week of instruction for the 2021-22 school year.

For more information about the Fall 2021 Planning visit this [site](#).

Virginia Mathematics Pathways Initiative (VMPI) Informational Sessions

[The Virginia Mathematics Pathways Initiative](#) (VMPI) is a joint initiative among the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE), the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) and the Virginia Community College System (VCCS).

The Initiative supports the Profile of a Virginia Graduate by redefining mathematics pathways for students in the Commonwealth to address the knowledge, skills, experiences, and attributes that students must attain to be successful in college and/or the workforce and to be “life ready.”



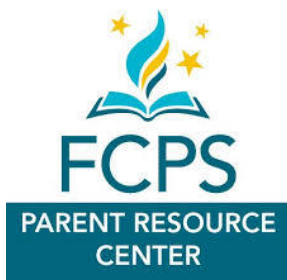
A series of one-hour VMPI Community Informational Sessions will be held during the next several months to provide parents and community members an opportunity to learn more about the Virginia Mathematics Pathways Initiative. The sessions will take place on the following dates

Sessions will be live streamed on **YouTube** [here](#) at **6:30pm** on the following dates:

- **Tuesday, May 25th** - Advanced Pathways in Grades 11 - 12

The session recordings will be posted on this Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) [webpage](#). Submit questions or comments using this [form](#) or via email to vdoe.mathematics@doe.virginia.gov.

FCPS Parent Resource Center



FCPS provides access to information and resources to support the success of all students, including those with learning challenges, special needs and disabilities.

[FCPS Parent Resource Center](#)

Help us give back!


[Donate](#) today and watch your contribution go *directly back to students and teachers* at Longfellow through *educational initiatives and technology improvements*.

All donations are 100% tax deductible. We have raised **\$23,000 (54% of our goal)**.

[Donate today.](#)



Need school supplies? Shop Amazon to support LMS PTA!

 [Use this link](#) - to set up your AmazonSmile account to shop and donate to Longfellow Middle School.

A New Way to Raise Money for US!

We've joined CauseNetwork and want to invite you to join too!

CauseNetwork is a new kind of marketplace where **up to 10%** of every purchase supports the LMS community. There are over 1,000 participating stores, including many of the brand names you know and love. You can shop to support in 2 ways:



1. Click the SHOP buttons on our new website:

<http://longfellowpta.causenetwork.com>

2. Use our new Mobile App: <http://longfellowpta.causenetwork.com/mobile>

Learn more about CauseNetwork and join the movement by visiting <http://longfellowpta.causenetwork.com!>



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