## P. G. Super News

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### Prince George County Public Schools

May 23, 2018

### Important Dates:

May 28 Memorial Day

June - July Fireworks Safety Month

June 11 School Board Meeting

June 13-15 Secondary Exams Student Early Release

> June 14 Flag Day



June 15
Last Day of
School

June 16 Graduation Day



June 17 Father's Day



## **School Board News**

The School Board held its regular meeting on May 9, 2018 at the County Administration Building.

### Special Recognitions and Congratulations!

- ⇒ April is Social Work Month and our school social workers were recognized to acknowledge and celebrate their contributions and support for students facing challenges and connecting families to community resources. Matt Hall, Chanda Hannah, Sherica Johnson, and Valerie Mohrman offer these resources to our students and families.
- ⇒ The School Board previously nominated Big Lots!, Luca Italian Restaurant, and Thacker Ace Hardware to the VSBA's Business Honor Roll. These businesses were recognized as integral parts in supporting the community and local schools, and Certifications of Appreciation were distributed to the businesses.
- ⇒ School Resource Officers were recognized in honor of School Resource Day/National Law Enforcement Week (third week in May). Officers John Pearson, Alvin Jones, Eric McQuage, Cliff Skelton, and Phillip Mayes were recognized in appreciation of their partnership with the schools. Mrs. Williams indicated that another resource officer has been applied for Walton Elementary School by Chief Early.
- The 2018 Support Employees of the Year were recognized: Bonnie Foster (Beazley), Patricia Nesbitt (Harrison), Tracy Irvin (North), Brandy Sturm (South), Suzanne Brockwell (Walton), Charlotte Simms (PGEC), Tracy Brunner (Moore), Cynthia Tyler (Clements), Wanda Coleman (PGHS), Angela Mitchell (SBO), Brian Wood (Maintenance), Clarzell Jones (Transportation).
- Charlotte Simms was announced as the division's 2018 Support Employee of the Year.

### Presentations

- Mike Nelson shared a PowerPoint presentation that emphasized student achievement beyond the classroom and the athletic field (i.e. school newspaper, yearbook, TRN Wired, DECA, band and choir, Student Government Association, Art and Theatre, JROTC, Financial Literacy Blue Star School, Chemistry Olympiad, Model Judiciary, Model United Skills USA and competitions). He spoke about each group and their accomplishments locally, state and nationally. Each group and several individuals have done an amazing job in representing Prince George in the competitions and he is proud of the successes of each group individual. The Skills USA Team presented each board member, superintendent and assistant superintendents with a gift bag full of items that the team had prepared using old and new equipment/tools at the school (laser cutter, 3D design graphics, woodworking, etc.). Mr. Newbold and Mr. Hanzlik shared some pictures from the Skills USA Team competition and spoke of their achievements in showcases and competitions and preparation for the National competition later this summer.
- Mr. DeMet stated the Boys to Men Program is in their  $4^{th}$  year at N.B. Clements Junior High School mentoring approximately 48 boys in the program. have weekly meetings approximately 80% of the students return to participate. Students who started out 4 years ago in the 9th grade are graduating this year and he is proud of their accomplishments. He thanked the board for allowing this program and he thanked Mr. Bhatt and Mrs. Jones for their support of the program as well. Johnny Glover, Intern, spoke about the amazing program Prince George has and he indicated that no other junior high school participates in this program. The

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# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2018



### **Graduation Events**

June 9, 2018 @ 3:00 p.m.
Baccalaureate ServiceUnion Branch
Baptist Church

June 10, 2018 @ 3:00 p.m. Convocation - PGHS Gym

June 16, 2018 @ 9:00 a.m. Graduation—Prince George Athletic Complex

Today Appreciate Your
Treasures: Faith, Family, and
Friends are the most valuable and
yet are unavailable for
purchase. It's not the things that
can be bought that are life's
richest treasure.

- Helen Steiner Rice



Summer Work Hours for 12-month employees June 18-August 16, 2018 (Monday-Thursday) program has changed students and he has heard Stories from where they were to where they have come as a result of this program. José had been required by the Board to attend the program and he spoke of his successes with the Boys to Men Program. Mr. DeMet again thanked the board for allowing the program in the school and giving these young men the opportunity for this mentoring network. They are in hopes to have the Girls to Women mentoring program in the school next year.

Mr. Rhodes summarized driving Bus 40 recently. He is the point person for the transportation study and he will work with Charlie Bruce to start the study. Resurfacing of the track will take place after graduation, the windows for Harrison and South are being measured for installation, security updates are being reviewed at the schools and he is getting quotes for fencing around the field hockey field.

### Action Items / Approved

- ≈ School District Lunch Increase for secondary schools (\$2.75)
- ≈ Group Cares Work Camp—July 14-20, 2019
- Salary Scales, Supplements and Stipends
- ≈ Quarterly Student/Community Recognitions Date—May 30, 2018
- ≈ Time and Attendance—Frontline
- ≈ N.B. Clements JHS Beta Club Request

#### Discussion Items

- VSBA Advocate for Education Award
- VSBA Recognition Programs (Board of Distinction, Regional School Board Member of the Year, School Board of the Year)
- Financial Report for April 2018
- Survey Monkey Results

### Superintendent's Report/Info Items

- → Current enrollment as of May 8, 2018
- → Letter from Miranda Stewart regarding school buildings
- → Appreciation letter from Chris Romig to Police Department
- → Police Department Recognition

### Upcoming Events

- → 2nd Annual Prince George Alliance for Education Foundation Golf Tournament, Prince George Golf Course, June 15, 2018
- → VSBA Webinar—Intentional Governance in Practice: School Board Actions Related to Improved Achievement—May 14-15, 2018
- → VSBA New Chairman/Board Member Orientation @ Richmond Marriott—July 16.2018
- → VSBA Conference on Education @ Richmond Marriott—July 17, 2018
- ightarrow VSBA Newsletter



### School Board Comments

**Mr. Johnson** indicated that the School Board had been working with the Board of Supervisors over the last month and he is thankful for the outcome and where we are now. He also indicated he is looking forward to meeting with the Transportation folks on May 24th and breaking bread with the department and talking with them.

Mr. Cox state the Board of Supervisors had voted to pass along \$1.6 million of carryover funds back to the school division. We have a list of things to spend this money on and he commended Floyd Brown, Supervisor, for recognizing that the district had a short period of time to expend funds and these funds may need to be carried past June 30. Another school year has flown by as we are almost at the end of another good year. He thanked all the people in the audience for attending the meeting tonight.

The next School Board Meeting is Monday, June 11, 2018 @ 6:30 P.M. @ J.E.J. Moore Middle School

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Note location change for the June meeting only.