


What's Happening in Carroll County Public Schools



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School Holidays and Dates to Remember	
April 15-21	National Student Leadership Week
Wednesday, April 18	Board Work Session (4:00 p.m.) – Strategic Plan Measures for Success
April 22-28	Administrative Professionals Week
April 23-27	Public School Volunteer Week
Wednesday, April 25	Board Work Session (4:00 p.m.) – Strategic Plan Part 2 Administrative Professionals Day
Thursday, April 26	Employee Recognition Ceremony (7 p.m., Board Offices)

Library Media Month

Schools have planned many special activities and programs to celebrate April as Library Media Month. Some of these activities include:

Students at **Carroll Springs School** will participate in a book swap and take home a gently used book and a special bookmark to keep on **Monday, April 30**, during media classes.

The **Century High School** media center will host a poetry slam sponsored by the media center and the AHC Academy on **Tuesday, April 17**, at 3:00 p.m. The poetry slam is designed to celebrate both the media center and Poetry Month. Students and teachers will share their own poems or their favorite poems written by others.

Cranberry Station Elementary School will hold Literacy Night on **Wednesday, April 18**.

A book swap will be held at **Ebb Valley Elementary School** from **April 23-27**.

Elmer Wolfe Elementary School is invited to participate in a reading/math night on **Wednesday, April 25**, from 4:20 to 6:30 p.m.

An exhibition of student photography is being held at **Friendship Valley Elementary School**. Students submitted photos that were voted on by their teachers and their peers. An evening gala event with light refreshments will be held on **Wednesday, April 18**, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Students will use media poetry books to locate a poem to keep in their pocket on **Tuesday, April 17**. Students will share their poems with faculty to receive a "Poem in My Pocket" coupon. Six students will be chosen to read their poems on the FVE News. Friendship Valley will partner with the public library to present Makerspace Magic on **Wednesday, April 25**, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Hampstead Elementary School's annual photography contest will take place on **Friday, April 27**, and all submissions will be displayed in the media center. A book swap will be held during class time the **week of April 23-27**. The Maryland Mobile Science Lab will be at the school from **April 16-20**. The media specialist will introduce lessons related to what will be offered in Maker Space next year.

Students at **Manchester Elementary School** will participate in Poetry and Joke-O-Rama during the **week of April 23**. They will enjoy and share funny jokes, riddles, and poems.

Manchester Valley High School will host its first annual community book discussion on **Wednesday, April 25**, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the media center.

Students at **North Carroll Middle School** will participate in a STEM activity in the media center during the **week of April 16-20**. Using newspaper and masking tape, students will work in small groups to create a stable tower. The objective is to create a tower that will hold the most pennies on a paper plate.

More than 153 families at **Runnymede Elementary School** have participated in reading one book, [Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library](#), as a school community. The school will celebrate the culmination of this reading incentive program by hosting the book's author, Chris Grabenstein, for a school-wide presentation and two small group workshops on **Friday, April 20**.

Outdoor School will come to the media center at **South Carroll High School** on **Tuesday, April 17**, with some of its rescued birds. They will lead a session about the birds and tie it to South Carroll's Green School initiative. In addition, to celebrate National Poetry Month students will be creating a "poetry walk" on South Carroll's sidewalks using chalk on **Monday, April 23**, from 9:05 to 9:35 a.m.

The media center at **Sykesville Middle School** will hold a Black-Eyed Susan Challenge Voting Breakfast on **Thursday, April 19**. Students and teachers who have read at least 3 of this year's nominee are invited to enjoy breakfast and vote for their favorite.

Seussical – Century High School

Century High School's award-winning Opening Knights drama club presents *Seussical*, a fantastical, magical, musical extravaganza! The actors lovingly bring to life all of your favorite Dr. Seuss characters, including Horton the Elephant, The Cat in the Hat, Gertrude McFuzz, lazy Mayzie, and a little boy with a big imagination, Jojo. *Seussical* is fun for the whole family! Tickets can be purchased online at www.centurydrama.com, at the door, or at A Likely Story bookstore in Sykesville. Shows will be performed on **April 14** at 2 p.m. and on **April 13 and 14** at 7 p.m. In addition, a Character Meet & Greet will be held before the Saturday matinee showings. Space is limited for the Meet & Greet, so please reserve tickets in advance online.

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Disney's Beauty and the Beast – Manchester Valley High School

Manchester Valley High School's Maverick Theater invites you to "be OUR guest" for an enchanted production of *Disney's Beauty and the Beast*. Performances will take place on **April 13, 14, 20, and 21** at 7 p.m. and **April 21** at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Tickets and seats can be reserved at manval.booktix.com.

Mrs. Potts' Tea Party, a special event for younger fans and family, will be held on Saturday, April 21, at 12:30 p.m. The gathering will include refreshments, photo opportunities, party favors and entertainment. Tickets are \$15 per person and include reserved seated to the matinee. Groups of 4+ are eligible for a discount! There are a limited number of tickets for this exciting event, and tickets must be reserved at manval.booktix.com.

Based on the Academy-Award winning animated feature, the stage version includes all of the memorable songs and characters from the animated film plus a few new songs written especially for the Broadway musical. This is Maverick Theater's first *Disney* musical, and the cast and crew have been swept up in the magic! This classic tale is a fully staged musical with singing, dancing, and dazzling costumes and scenery. A cast and crew of nearly 100 students have worked together to bring this fairytale to life. The production of "Beauty and the Beast" is directed by the creative team of Bobbi Vinson, Lauren Warner and Samantha Azat and Kim Gossert.

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***Seussical the Musical!* – Francis Scott Key High School**

Francis Scott Key High School's Drama Department proudly presents *Seussical the Musical!* on **April 13, 14, 20, and 21** at 7 p.m., as well as matinees on **April 14 and 21** at 1 p.m. "Oh the things you can think" as your favorite characters bring the stories of Dr. Seuss off the pages and onto the stage! Horton the Elephant is the guide on the journey from the Jungle of Nool to the Circus McGurkus to the World of the Whos, as a little boy with a big imagination proves that a person is a person no matter how small.

There will also be a Green Eggs and Ham Party where you will have a chance to eat with and talk to the cast members on both **April 14 and 21** at 3:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$10 for kindergarten-5th grade students, who will receive souvenirs, and \$2 for accompanying family members. Tickets for the showing of *Seussical the Musical* are just \$7 for students and senior citizens and \$10 for adults, and can be purchased at the door or ahead of time by visiting the FSK Choral and Drama Boosters website at www.fskchoraldramaboosters.com.

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***Jekyll and Hyde* – South Carroll High School**

In the final installment of their season of "Monsters, Mayhem, and the Macabre," South Carroll Stagelights will present Leslie Bricusse and Frank Wildhorn's *Jekyll and Hyde* on **April 13 and 20** at 7 p.m., and **April 14 and 21** at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the South Carroll High School auditorium. Tickets are \$12 for adults and student tickets are \$10 at the door. Reserve tickets now at SCSL.BookTix.com for \$10 (adults) and \$8 (students). (Please note: due to the graphic content in certain scenes, a PG-13 rating has been placed on the show.)

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Board Work Session

The Board of Education of Carroll County will hold a work session on **Wednesday, April 18**, at 4:00 p.m. in the Charles I. Ecker Boardroom at the Board of Education offices, located at 125 North Court Street,

Westminster. The topic of the work session will be the Strategic Plan Measures of Success. The public is encouraged to attend. There will be no time for citizen participation at this meeting.

The work session will be streamed live on the Carroll County Public Schools website at www.carrollk12.org. Click on CETV under News and Media at the bottom of the home page or go directly to: <https://www.carrollk12.org/admin/commedia/cetv/Pages/CCPS-CETV-Webstreaming.aspx>.

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Battle of the Books Author Celebration

The Battle of the Books Author Celebration has been rescheduled for **Wednesday, April 18**, at 7 p.m. at Century High School. Book signing starts at 6 p.m. The program will include an author talk and panel discussion with three of this year's Battle of the Books authors – Beth Fantaskey, author of *Isabel Feeney, Star Reporter*; Ben Hatke, author of *Mighty Jack*; and Jordan Sonnenblick, author of *Falling over Sideways*. The event will be facilitated by Ted Zaleski. For information on the Battle of the Books, dates, and participating schools, please visit www.library.carr.org/programs/bob.

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Community Yard Sale – South Carroll High School

The South Carroll High School National Honor Society will sponsor a Community Yard Sale on **Saturday, April 21**, from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the school. Rent a spot for \$20 or a spot and table for \$25. The sale will help NHS fund future charitable donations. You can also participate by donating clothing, furnishings, electronics, and other household items for the NHS table to sell. Advertising will be provided by the NHS members and South Carroll students and staff to attract all those yard sale shoppers. All sellers are responsible for set up, sale transactions, and clean up.

For more information, please contact Alyssa Chesney, NHS President, alyssa_14@comcast.net or Matthew Joseph, NHS Co-Advisor, mrjosep@carrollk12.org.

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Big Country Breakfast – Carroll County Career and Technology Center

Rise and dine! The SkillsUSA Boosters will sponsor a big country breakfast on **Saturday, April 21**, from 7 to 11 a.m. at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center, located at 1229 Washington Road in Westminster. The menu will include sausage gravy with biscuits, eggs, home fries, French toast, sausage, pancakes, baked apples, and coffee and juice. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$6 for students, and \$5 for ages 6-12. Kids 5 and under eat free. Call the Career and Technology Center at 410-751-3669 or email tanorwo@carrollk12.org.

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Humane Society Donation – Mt. Airy Middle School

The Builders Club at Mt. Airy Middle School raised \$350 and made dog cookies and cat blankets for the Humane Society of Carroll County. The donations were presented to a representative from the Humane Society during a club meeting. Builders Club is a service organization that supports the school, the Mt. Airy community, and beyond. Media specialist Pam Lichty is the club advisor.

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