

What's Happening in Carroll County Public Schools



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School Holidays and Dates to Remember	
Tuesday, December 4	New Board Member Swearing-In Ceremony (1:00 p.m., Board Room)
Wednesday, December 5	FY20 Budget Work Session (4:00 p.m., Board Room)
Wednesday, December 12	Board of Education Meeting (5:00 p.m., Board Room)
December 24-January 1	Schools/Offices Closed – Christmas/Winter Holiday

Big Smiles Maryland Mobile Dentists

The Big Smiles Maryland (Smile Maryland) mobile dentists will be at Elmer Wolfe Elementary School on **December 3 and 4**. The mission of Smile Maryland is to increase the quality of children’s lives by providing dental services to children.

Medicaid and most private insurance are accepted and there is usually no cost to parents for the care. For children without insurance, a self-pay option is available in addition to donated care for students in need. No student is turned away based on his/her ability to pay. With parental permission, Smile Maryland provides dental exams, cleanings, fluoride treatments, x-rays, sealants, and minor restorative services on-site at the school. Each school site is served by a licensed Maryland dentist and hygienist.

Contact: Filipa Gomes, Supervisor of Health Services, 410-751-3124

Board of Education Swearing-In Ceremony

A swearing-in ceremony for the newly elected members of the Board of Education of Carroll County will be held on **Tuesday, December 4**, at 1:00 p.m. in the Charles I. Ecker Boardroom at the Board offices, located at 125 North Court Street in Westminster. Clerk of the Circuit Court Heather DeWees will issue the Oath of Office to new Board members Tara Battaglia, Patricia Dorsey, and Kenneth Kiler. The new members will be seated at the Board of Education meeting to be held on **Wednesday, December 12**, at 5:00 p.m. The election of officers also will take place at this meeting.

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FY20 Budget Work Session

The Board of Education of Carroll County will hold a work session on the FY20 Operating Budget on **Wednesday, December 5**, 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 public is encouraged to attend. There will be no time for citizen participation 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>. The meeting also will be broadcast live on Channel 21, with rebroadcasts throughout the month.

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Sounds of the Season Concert – Westminster Elementary and Winters Mill High Schools

The Westminster Elementary School 5th Grade Band and a student string ensemble from Winters Mill High School will perform “Sounds of the Season” on **Saturday, December 8**, at 12:00 noon in front of the Carroll County Public Library in Downtown Westminster. This performance is in conjunction with holiday festivities taking place in Downtown Westminster on Saturdays during the month of December. In the event of inclement or extreme cold weather, the performance would be moved to inside the library.

Contact: Brian Thompson, Instrumental Music Director, Westminster Elementary School, 410-751-3222, blthomp@carrollk12.org

Harry Potter Festival – Francis Scott Key High School

Francis Scott Key High School’s Drama Club will hold a Harry Potter Festival on **Saturday, December 8**, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. All students in elementary and middle school are invited to join the fun. Come in your best wizard wear! Be sorted into a house and meet famous Hogwarts personnel! You will attend classes in Defense against Dark Art, Potions, Care of Magical Creature, and Divination. This will be followed by a game of muggle Quidditch, and the festival will end with a feast! Admission for this event is \$20 for one child, \$10 for a second child, \$5 for a third child, and the fourth child and beyond are free. This deal is only applicable to families. Advance reservation with payment is highly recommended. Please contact Heidi Eiwen at hmeiwen@carrollk12.org.

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Board Meeting

The Board of Education of Carroll County will hold its regular monthly meeting on **Wednesday, December 12**, at 5:00 p.m. in the Charles I. Ecker Boardroom at the Board of Education offices, located at 125 North Court Street, Westminster. The public is encouraged to attend. There will be time for citizen participation at this meeting.

Citizen participation will be held following administrative items and presentations. Citizens who wish to address the Board during Citizen Participation are encouraged to check the agenda prior to the meeting to determine what time the public comment portion of the meeting will begin. The agenda and back-up materials for the meeting can be found by going to the school system’s website at www.carrollk12.org and clicking on Agendas and Documents under Board of Education.

The meeting 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:

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The Board meeting also will be broadcast live on Channel 21, with rebroadcasts on Thursday, December 13, at 8:00 p.m.; Saturday, December 15, at 9:00 a.m.; Sunday, December 16, at 8:00 p.m.; and Thursday, December 20, at 8:00 p.m.

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Whoville Hairdo Competition – Carroll County Career and Technology Center

The 7th Whoville Hairdo Competition is about to begin at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center. Visions of glitter, garland, and lights are dancing in students' heads right now! The competition will take place on **Thursday, December 20**. Students may tour the holiday Whoville styles from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Parents of cosmetology students are invited to come see their students' creations from 12:45 to 1:15 p.m. Tech Center and school system staff and the cosmetologists will vote on the 27 Whoville creations from 2:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Contact: Wendy Litchfield, Cosmetology Instructor, 410-751-3672, wlitch@carrollk12.org

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