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1. PTA/CLES Calendar

October:

- 10/12-16: Share the Warmth Coat Drive
- 10/13: PTA Executive Board Meeting – 7pm CLES Media Center
- 10/15: Outdoor Movie Night – 6:30 pm Arrival, 7pm Movie Start
- 10/16: Schools Closed – Professional Work/MSEA Convention
- 10/22: Howard County Annual G/T Parent Academy
- 10/24: Coffee and Conversation with the Board of Education of Howard County (More Info Below)
- 10/30: Halloween Extended Parade and Student-only parties (More Information to Come)
- 10/30: Schools Close 3 Hrs Early – Professional Work Day

November:

- 11/2: Vision and Hearing Re-screening
- 11/4: Walk & Wheel Wednesday
- 11/5: CLES Flu Mist Clinic (More Info Below)
- 11/9: Report Cards Issued
- 11/10: Quarterly Celebrations 9am - K/1 (Invitations Sent Home October 29)
- 11/10: PTA Executive Board Meeting – 7pm CLES Media Center
- 11/13: Quarterly Celebrations - 9:00 - 2/3 & 2:00 - 4/5(Invitations Sent Home October 29)
- 11/16-20: American Education Week
- 11/19: Thanksgiving Baskets (More Information to Come)
- 11/23 & 11/24: Schools Close 3 Hrs Early – Parent Teacher Conferences
- 11/25: Schools Closed – Parent Teacher Conferences
- 11/26-27: Schools Closed – Thanksgiving Holiday

December:

- 12/7: Winter Band/Orchestra Concert - Centennial High School 7pm

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2. SHARE THE WARMTH – CLES PTA Sponsored Coat Drive – October 12th -16th

We are collecting donations of winter wear you have in your closets that you no longer need. We will be accepting coats, gloves, hats and scarves. All items must be freshly laundered and in wearable condition. Boxes will be marked in the front lobby for students and parents during the school day. A box will also be placed outside of the school after school hours, as well. Boxes will also be available at the PTA sponsored movie night on Thursday, October 15th. The Coat Drive is sponsored by the HCPSS Pupil Personnel Workers in cooperation with the PTA Council of Howard County. Donations will go to students in our own community (and their families) who are in need of winter coats, hats, gloves, etc. Please contact Andrea Stremmel (astremmel@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns. Thank you for helping to keep people warm this winter and for making our coat drive a success!

3. **OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT – Hotel Transylvania - Thursday, October 15th (No School on Friday, 10/16!)**
Seating opens at 6:30 p.m., Movie Begins promptly at 7 p.m.
 All CLES students and their families are invited to join the CLES PTA for an outdoor movie on the blacktop behind the school on 10/15! Bring your own blanket or lawn chair, relax, and enjoy the first Hotel Transylvania movie (PG rating, 1.5 hrs. long). Popcorn and glow sticks will be provided for you by the PTA (limited quantities!).
- NEW THIS YEAR:** Make your life easier and pre-order Chick-Fil-A Chicken Sandwiches for dinner! Pre-orders will be ready for pick-up at 6:30pm. All pre-order forms must be received at school by Monday, 10/12. *For your convenience we have two meal options: "Meal Option" - which includes One Chicken Sandwich and One Water for \$5 or "Sandwich Only Option" - which includes One Chicken Sandwich for \$4.* During Movie Night, we will also be accepting donations of coats, gloves, scarves and hats for our PTA Winter Coat Drive. Movie flyer can be found at clespta.org. Questions or want to volunteer? Contact Christine Fritz at christinecfritz@yahoo.com
4. **PTA MEMBERSHIP:** Thank you to the families and staff who have already joined the CLES PTA. We currently have 513 PTA members. If you have not already joined the PTA, it is not too late to join. You can print a form from the CLES PTA website www.clespta.org, or email Jessica Esposito, CLES PTA Membership Vice President, at jesposito13@gmail.com. Dues for the first member are \$10 and each additional member is \$5. Although it is too late to be included in this year's Directory, you may still receive a copy of the directory when you join the PTA!
5. **PARENT VOLUNTEER SIGN UP:**
 Click here to sign up: <http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/9040545AEAD28A46-parent>
We Need YOU! The CLES PTA needs parent volunteers to help with various programs, activities, and committees. In the past this information was collected via paper form. This year we are gathering volunteers via SignUpGenius. If you can help the CLES PTA in these endeavors, please sign up below. When you sign up, your information will be forwarded to the appropriate PTA Committee Chair. They will contact you directly with detailed information about current volunteer opportunities. Questions? Please contact Melissa Russ (melissa.russ+pta@gmail.com) or Margaret Glyder (glyders@comcast.net). Remember...Your children are the beneficiaries of the CLES PTA!
6. **YEARBOOK PHOTOS WANTED!**
 Send in your donations of photos from Class List Posting, School Orientations, First Day of School, Dolphin Dash and Walk & Wheel Wednesday for the 2015/16 CLES Yearbook! Group photos are preferred over photos with a single student in them. Please keep in mind that photos taken with camera phones don't always have a high enough resolution/quality to reproduce well in the yearbook, so photos taken with a camera will receive priority. Send photos to Heather Guy, our CLES PTA Yearbook Chair, at picodesign@hotmail.com.
7. **2015 NATIONAL PTA REFLECTIONS ARTS PROGRAM – DEADLINE NOVEMBER 13, 2015**
 Reflections is a national arts recognition and achievement program sponsored by the CLES PTA. No experience is required to participate in Reflections! Choreograph a dance, produce a film, write a poem or story, compose a song, take a picture or create a piece of visual art. Choose the art category you are interested in and create an original piece of artwork based on the theme : "Let Your Imagination Fly" and be recognized as an artist in our community. Reflections information can be found at <http://www.clespta.org>. We look forward to seeing your masterpieces! Please contact Solat (solatz@yahoo.com), Andrea (astremmel@gmail.com) or Geetha (gbraga.spathy@gmail.com) if you have any questions.
8. **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION –**
 Centennial Lane Elementary collects Box Tops! Last week all students brought home a Box Top collection sheet. Please tape unexpired Box Tops to it. Once the sheet is full, have your child turn it in. There are Box Top Bin's located in each team area 1-5 and each Kindergarten classroom. You can also submit Box Tops in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on it. CLES receives 10cents for every Box Top collected. That means we receive \$1 for every 10 Box Tops you send in! It really adds up! Money earned is used to buy indoor recess games and activities for those days when recess cannot be held outdoors. Questions? Contact Mary McDonald at gcbuilder@verizon.net.
9. **HEARING AND VISION SCREENING – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! – October 14th & November 2nd**
 We need your help On October 14th (all day) & November 2nd (in the morning), Hearing and Vision Screening will be held for all 4 year old Pre-K students, Kindergarteners not previously screened in PK, 1st grade students and any other students referred by their teacher or parent. If your child wears glasses, please be certain they wear them on screening day. We are in need of 3 volunteers for each half day of screening. Re-screening will be held on November 2nd, during which one volunteer is needed for each half day on that date. The hours will be from 8:45 until 12:00 and 12:30 to 3:00 each day. Your assistance is needed to escort children from the classroom to the screening area. Please call the health room at 410-313-1710 if you can help.
10. **FLU MIST CLINIC AT CLES – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! – Thursday, November 5th**
 A flu mist vaccine will be offered by the Howard County Health Department at CLES on 11/5/15. Volunteers needed for flu mist clinic: We will need 4 volunteers to help with the clinic. 2 volunteers from 845am-1030am and then 2 more volunteers from 1030am-12pm. Please contact Siobhan_Zarek@hcpss.org if you are available to volunteer.
11. **CENTENNIAL HIGH PTSA'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST - Saturday, October 10th 9:00am – 12pm**
 Join us for all you can eat pancakes, sausage, muffins, fresh fruit and drinks. Poe, the Baltimore Ravens mascot, and the Oriole Bird, plus our own Centennial Eagle, will be on hand between 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. for a meet and greet and pictures. Don't miss out on this wonderful community event. Entrance fee is \$7.00 adults/ \$5.00 students, children under 12 and all CHS PTSA members.
12. **CENTENNIAL HIGH REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE FUNDRAISER - Saturday, October 10th**
 There will be a truck on hand at the Pancake Breakfast in the CHS parking lot collecting donations for our Reduce, Reuse, Recycle fundraiser. We are asking everyone to please bring one or more bags of used clothing, shoes, bedding, towels, accessories and/or stuffed animals and help us raise money while you clean out your closets. We earn money for every pound collected and everything donated will be reworn, repurposed or recycled. Help support Centennial PTSA and save the environment, one bag at a time.

13. **COFFEE & CONVERSATION - Saturday, October 24th 9:30 am - 11am - Deep Run Elementary Cafeteria**
(6925 Old Waterloo Rd, Elkridge, MD 21075) The Board of Education of Howard County regularly holds *Coffee & Conversation* sessions at schools throughout the county. These meetings provide citizens with an opportunity to share a cup of coffee and chat informally with Board members. The meetings are held in various regions of the county; however, interested persons from throughout the county are invited to attend any or all of the meetings.
14. **ANNUAL GT PARENT ACADEMY - Thursday, October 22nd 7-8:30pm - Howard High School**
Providing Howard County parents an overview of the GT Education program in the Howard County Public School System.
15. **BURLEIGH MANOR MIDDLE PTA TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER – Friday, October 24th 6:30pm – St. John’s PDS**
Join us for a night of friendly competition! This event was a huge success last year and is sure to sell out again this year! Tickets include light dinner, soda and water, and professionally run trivia. Doors open at 6:30 at St. John's Parish Day School All Saints Hall. This is a BYOB event. We encourage teams to bring table decorations to show their team spirit. Tickets are \$35, please make checks payable to BMMS PTA. This is an Adult Only evening, no children will be permitted to attend. Questions? Contact Julie Betler betler98@verizon.net

*Newsletter Submissions - Upcoming publications for the fall are: 11/6 and 12/4.
Please send submissions to Amy Favinger at clesdolphinsplash@gmail.com & Jennifer Williams at Jennifer_williams@hcpss.org by NOON on Wednesday before publication date.*