

Resources to Support Families

Elementary School

- <u>Video: Lab Before the Blab</u>: An example of hands-on science learning
- Parent Involvement in Science Learning
- Tips for Busy Parents
- 10 Questions Your Kid's Science Teacher Wishes You Would Ask
- NSTA: Daily Do for Families : Sensemaking tasks that parents can use to engage their student in science
- <u>Citizen Science</u>: Searchable database crowdsourcing science projects
- Exploratorium Science Snacks: low-cost, teacher-tested activities
- Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA): Taken in Grade 5, click here for an overview of the assessment, rubrics for success, and practice tests.

Places to visit:

- National Aguarium, Baltimore, MD
- Smithsonian's National Zoo, Washington, D.C.
- Rockville Science Center
- MD Science Center
- MD Zoo in Baltimore
- Butler's Orchard
- Catoctin Wildlife Preserve
- Homestead Farm

Montgomery County Nature Centers and Programs:

- Black Hill Nature Programs- Black Hill Regional Park, Boyds, MD
- Locust Grove Nature Center- Cabin John Regional Park, Bethesda, MD
- Brookside Nature Center, Wheaton Regional Park, Wheaton, MD
- Meadowside Nature Center, Rock Creek Regional Park, Rockville, MD
- Maydale Nature Classroom, Maydale Conservation Park, Colesville, MD

Middle School

- <u>Video: Lab Before the Blab</u>: An example of hands-on science learning
- Parent Involvement in Science Learning

- Tips for Busy Parents
- 10 Questions Your Kid's Science Teacher Wishes You Would Ask
- NSTA: Daily Do for Families: Sensemaking tasks that parents can use to engage their student in science
- <u>Citizen Science</u>:Searchable database crowdsourcing science projects
- Exploratorium Science Snacks: low-cost, teacher-tested activities
- Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA): Taken in Grade 8, click here for an overview of the assessment, rubrics for success, and practice tests.

Places to visit:

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- MD Science Center
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- Maydale Nature Classroom, Maydale Conservation Park, Colesville, MD

High School

- Video: Lab Before the Blab: An example of hands-on science learning
- Parent Involvement in Science Learning
- Tips for Busy Parents
- 10 Questions Your Kid's Science Teacher Wishes You Would Ask
- NSTA: Daily Do for Families : Sensemaking tasks that parents can use to engage their student in science
- Citizen Science: Searchable database crowdsourcing science projects
- Khan Academy: Free lessons for learners and parents to support Science and Math concepts
- Montgomery College Youth Programs

 <u>Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA)</u>: Taken after High School Biology/Life Science, click here for an overview of the assessment, rubrics for success, and practice tests.

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