

### **Happy Summer!**

We wish each and every student and family a restful and relaxing summer. Please refer to the following information for *Frequently Asked Questions* during the summer months as staffing is reduced in the school counseling department. Please note that school counselors are not 12-month employees and therefore, do not work every day over the summer. Below is the updated school counselor assignment for the 2024-25 school year. **Effective July 1, 2024, Ms. Christine Cappuccilli will be the Resource Counselor for the 2024-2025 school year.** 

**During the month of July**: if you need to meet with a school counselor in person, the meeting location will be at the DCC Consortia office (11721 Kemp Mill Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20902). Please email your child's school counselor if you need to schedule an appointment. Additionally, there will be at least one Northwood School counselor present at the DCC office Monday through Thursday during the month of July should a student or family need to meet with a school counselor in person.

**School Counseling Office Summer Hours**: From June 14-August 16th, our office days/hours are 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. There will be no one working in the counseling office on June 19th or July 4th.

#### For the 2024-2025 School Year

### School Counselor Assignment: 9th Grade Students (Class of 2028)

A - Kh (Including Gr. 9 ELD English Level 3) New Counselor

Ki - Z (Including Gr. 9 ELD English Level 3) Ms. Danielle Viswanathan danielle k viswanathan@mcpsmd.org

### School Counselor Assignment: 10-12th Grade Students (Class of 2025, 2026 & 2027)

Α	Ms. Christine Cappuccilli	(Resource Counselor) christine cappuccilli@mcpsmd.org
B - Fli	Mr. Angelo Heflin	angelo_heflin@mcpsmd.org
Flo - Le	Ms. Liz Lightfoot	elizabeth_lightfoot@mcpsmd.org
Li - Pereira	Mr. Anthony Lozupone	anthony_c_lozupone2@mcpsmd.org
Perez - R	Ms. Megan Adkins	megan_e_adkins@mcpsmd.org
S - Z	Ms. Carolyn West-Gipson	carolyn r west-gipson@mcpsmd.org

### **ELD- EML Students (Based on English Course Enrolled in 24-25)**

METS	Ms. Elsie Velazquez	elsie v velazquez@mcpsmd.org
Grade 9 ELD English Level 1-2	Ms. Elsie Velazquez	elsie v velazquez@mcpsmd.org
Grade 10: ELD English Level 1-3	Ms. Elsie Velazquez	elsie v velazquez@mcpsmd.org

### **SESES Program**

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A - Kh	New Counselor

Ki - Z Ms. Danielle Viswanathan danielle k viswanathan@mcpsmd.org



### **School Counseling Social Media Accounts**

### 2024-2025 Lunch Application (School Meal Program)

- General Information
- MySchoolApps

### **Enrollments:**

Northwood High School is part of a 5 high school choice area called the Down County Consortium (DCC). In order to enroll at Northwood, families must go through the Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services (DCCAPS).

- The first step in the process of registering and enrolling your student into MCPS. is to contact the DCC office at DCCAPS@mcpsmd.org or call: 240-740-2540.
- Once you have completed the process through DCCAPS and have been assigned to
   Northwood, then you are ready to contact: Counseling Administrative Assistant, Mr.
   Cristian Pereira Salmeron 240-740-6960 or Cristian A PereiraSalmeron@mcpsmd.org
   to schedule a registration appointment. Please let him know if you prefer an in person appointment or a virtual appointment.
- In preparation for your registration appointment with the assigned school counselor, please review all the course registration resources at the following website: https://sites.google.com/mcpsmd.net/northwood-high-school-courses/home

### **Summer School:**

- Central Regional Summer School: <u>Click here for information</u>
- If your student needs to register for the local Northwood HS credit recovery program, please contact your child's school counselor for more information.

### **New Student Orientation:**

More information to come...please stay tuned

### **Course Registration, Schedules and Schedule Changes:**

School counselors have met with all students regarding course selections for the '24-25 school year. If the student was absent, the school counselor may have selected courses after reviewing the transcript. It's important for students to review their course list for next school year in StudentVUE, in Synergy, and request any corrections NOW if you notice any errors.

- To request a correction, please complete the google form. Students must be logged into their MCPS gmail account to access this form.
- Students will receive their official schedules the first day of school during advisory.

- There are limited circumstances under which counselors are able to make changes to a student's schedule. Please contact your school counselor directly to discuss any unique concerns.
- Please be mindful that counselors will not change schedules based on teacher, time of day, or period request, unless previous issues have been discussed and these requests receive administrative approval.
- Tentative schedules will be available via the student's Synergy account to view in late August. Counselors work throughout the summer to balance classes and ensure that everyone gets a complete schedule. PLEASE BE AWARE... a student's schedule may change any time before the first day of school which begins on August 26, 2024.
  - Video on how to review course selections
  - ❖ Northwood HS Course List
  - Northwood HS Course Correction Request Google Form: Student must use mcps.net credentials to access the form

### **Rising Senior Meetings:**

- Please use the <u>Class of 2025 link</u> to sign up for your summer counseling meeting and to learn how you can **Explore**, **Enroll**, **seek Employment**, **or be Enlisted**.
- Gladiator Senior pictures: more information to come
- Work on completing ALL SSL hours during the summer.
- Spring '25 graduation fees, please prepare to pay for the following:
  - Yearbook: Approximately \$100.00
  - o **Prom:** Approximately \$95.00
  - Graduation Fees: Approximately \$85.00
  - Senior Picture Information: Legacy Studio 2025 English.pdf
  - 12th grade Administrator Letter: Rising Senior Letter 2025C- English.pdf

**Note:** The fees above are subject to increase and/or decrease as we transition through the year.

### **College and Career Summer Workshops:**

To learn more about college and/or career workshops held during the summer month or information on how to schedule an appointment with Ms. Snape, please go to the CCIC website. <a href="https://sites.google.com/mcpsmd.net/nhscollegecareer/home">https://sites.google.com/mcpsmd.net/nhscollegecareer/home</a>

#### **Naviance:**

<u>Please click here for help with troubleshooting</u>. If you need further assistance with your Naviance account, please contact your school counselor for help in problem solving.

### The College Tour TV Series

Please see the link below for a list of all the current colleges featured in *The College Tour* TV series with a link to the college's tour page. Each tour page includes 10 videos of 10 student voices, a one-minute video introduction on the college, a link to the full half-hour episode, a link

to the college website, and inside scope videos - Coffee with the President, Ask Admissions, and Navigating Financial Aid. The College Tour Episodes

### **Diplomas:**

If you need to pick up your diploma, please email our registrar to schedule a time to pick-up, Judy Kahn at: Judith\_Kahn@mcpsmd.org

### **Changes in Contact Information:**

If you have moved addresses or have a new phone number, please email your request to our Registrar, Judy Kahn at: <a href="mailto:Judith\_Kahn@mcpsmd.org">Judith\_Kahn@mcpsmd.org</a>

### **Transcripts:**

- Class of 2024 Final Senior Transcripts will be available after July 8th and will be sent by our office to colleges/universities the week of July 15th. Schools are aware that our transcripts are NOT available until then, even if they ask you for them sooner. Be sure that you have Set Attending College in Naviance so we know where to send it.
- If you are a Rising Senior (Class of 2025), be sure to have the colleges you are applying to added to your Naviance account & have your parent/guardian sign the waiver.
- Students who graduated 2023 or prior, email the registrar directly indicating the year you graduated or left Northwood HS along with your MCPS student ID#. Include the information needed for sending it; email, fax #, mailing address depending on how the college wants to receive it. Only unofficial copies can be sent directly to the requestor.

### **Dual Enrollment at Montgomery College:**

If you have questions about dual enrollment, please contact our Dual Enrollment Program Assistant, **Mauricio Beltran** at <a href="mauricio\_a\_angelbeltran@mcpsmd.org">mauricio\_a\_angelbeltran@mcpsmd.org</a>. From June 14, 2024-August 23, 2024 contact Middle College Coordinator Michael Sauter at <a href="michael\_t\_sauter@mcpsmd.org">michael\_t\_sauter@mcpsmd.org</a>.

### **Well-Being and Mental Health Resources:**

- Northwood High School Wellness Center: Click Here
- Student Mental Health and Crisis Support: Click Here
- Northwood Mental Health Referral Resource Sheet: Click Here

### **Fall Athletics:**

- General Information: Click Here
- Athletic Registration "How to" FAQ Instructions in Parent Vue: Click Here

### **Student Service Learning (SSL) Hours**

- MCPS SSL website page: Click Here
- General MCPS Hub for students and families: Click Here

In addition, if you have questions about the SSL program or Hours, during the summer, please email the MCPS SSL office at **SSL@mcpsmd.org**.