



City Neighbors Hamilton

WEEKLY SALMON PAGES

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The Week Ahead

Monday 2/20	Tuesday 2/21	Wednesday 2/22	Thursday 2/23	Friday 2/24	Saturday 2/25
SCHOOL CLOSED Presidents Day	2nd Grade to Oakcrest 1:15 - 2:45		Education Rally in Annapolis 5 - 8:30 PM (see below)	1st Grade to Oakcrest 1 PM CNH Book Club 6:30 PM Café Deadline to Submit School Climate Survey	



Join Us for the Rally in Annapolis Governor Hogan has introduced a budget that includes a \$42 million funding cut to Baltimore City Public Schools. This funding cut will have a DIRECT impact on City Neighbors. The \$42 million funding cut is on top of the BCPSS budget deficit of \$130 million. We need to restore that funding! City Neighbors will join the Baltimore Education Coalition in Annapolis to advocate for the restoration of those funds to Baltimore City Public Schools. To win this battle we must turn

out in force. Please join us on **Thursday, February 23**. Buses will leave from CNH at 5 PM and return at 8:30 PM.

Great news! Buses are full BUT please consider carpooling down to join us! The more, the merrier and the bigger the impact. The weather in Annapolis is forecasted to be spring-like at 65 degrees on Thursday. What better way to spend a nearly-balmly early evening in February? Bring your children, friends, neighbors, and family!

CNH Climate Survey: Let Your Voice be Heard! Baltimore City Public Schools wants to know how you feel about your child's school. Please take a few minutes to tell them what you think by completing this anonymous survey. You can take the survey online! The parent survey is now mobile device compatible: www.k12insight.com/SchoolSurveyParent/SY1617. Your opinion is important! In order to get a more complete picture, students and staff will be submitting surveys designed for them. The deadline for submitting your survey is this **Friday, February 24**. If you have survey questions, please contact Survey Coordinator, Clara Walter, at cwalter@cityneighborshamilton.org. Thank you for your time and participation!

Enrollment 2017-18 Big thanks to Kim Lane, Maryhelen Pflug, and Stephanie King for running the 2017-18 enrollment lottery last Thursday afternoon. It was overseen by a BCPSS representative and witnessed by about 25 prospective families. Acceptance and wait-list letters were mailed last Saturday.

Looking Ahead

Friday, 3/10

Report Cards Mailed

Open Mic at All-School
2:15-3:15

Tuesday, 3/14

Board Meeting
6:30 PM

Wednesday, 3/15

City Neighbors Founders Day

Friday, 3/17

SCHOOL CLOSED

Staff Professional Development

Saturday, 3/25

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
6 - 8 PM
Café

Tuesday, 3/28

2nd Grade Field Trip to
Oregon Ridge

Tuesday, 4/4

Board Meeting
6:30 PM

Monday 4/10 - Monday 4/17

SCHOOL CLOSED

Spring Break





CNH Book Club: All American Boys City Neighbors Hamilton Committee Relations Committee will be hosting their next book club event on **Friday, February 24** at 6:30 PM in the café. This year, we'll be discussing All American Boys, the 2016 *One Maryland, One Book* selection by local authors, Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely. This young-adult book is for ages 12 and up, so we'd love to have some middle-school students join us in the discussion!

You can read more about the book and the authors, and even listen to the beginning of the book at this site: <https://www.mdhumanities.org/programs/one-maryland-one-book/2016-one-maryland-one-book/>

The book is available at libraries and bookstores, and we have a limited number to give away. If you need a copy of the book, please contact Community Relations Chair, Erika Coughlin, at ecoughlin@cityneighborshamilton.org Please RSVP your attendance to her at that address, as well. We look forward to seeing you there!



Mindfulness Seminar The Northeast Schools Alliance, a partnership of City Neighbors, Hamilton Elementary Middle School, and St Francis of Assisi School, is holding a Mindfulness Seminar on **Wednesday, February 22** from 6:30 - 8 PM at The Strand Theatre at 5426 Harford Road in Hamilton. This is the second in a speaker series for the families of Northeast Baltimore brought to you by the Northeast Schools Alliance through a grant from the Goldseker Foundation. Please join us! Register at <http://bit.ly/2kyoPmD> See the attached flyer for more information.



City Neighbors Children Summer Program Beginning two weeks ago, we included in the Monday Mailer applications for the CN summer camp for rising 1st through 4th graders. This summer will be our third summer session at the City Neighbors Hamilton campus. Campers ages 6-10 will enjoy general day camp activities like singing, reading, writing, crafts, and outdoor play as well as dynamic outdoor physical challenges such as bike riding, hiking, new games, riding scooters, and gardening. Nutritious, fresh snacks and lunches will be provided daily to all campers. Visiting artists will lead children in investigations of percussion, puppetry, watercolor painting, and clay sculpture. Children will have weekly field trips to explore Baltimore's cultural and natural resources.

Program Director, Nadiyah Herrera, will lead a staff of caring and committed professional educators from City Neighbors. Their exciting programming will challenge children to learn physically and academically. We look forward to summer adventures with you!

CN Summer Camp will run Monday through Friday from July 10 through August 4, 9 AM - 3 PM. Before and aftercare will be available onsite for a reasonable fee from 8 - 9 AM and 3- 5:30 PM.

An information session will be held at the CNH campus in March. Stay tuned! For any specific questions about City Neighbors Summer Camp, contact Program Director, Nadiyah Herrera, at nherrera@cityneighbors.org.

Coaching Opportunity: City Neighbors Soccer Club, Spring 2017 Coach Chambers is unable to lead our girls' soccer team this spring, and we are now in need of a coach by February 21 (today!) in order to field our next team. This is a paid opportunity through the Parks and People Foundation that pays \$15/hour; coaches are expected to meet with students four days per week (three times for practices, and one game weekly). If you are interested in making this enrichment opportunity possible for our girls, contact Obi at ookobi@cityneighborshamilton.org.

Volunteer Opportunity: Scholastic Books Chair/s After three years, parent volunteer, Shannon Van Hook, is stepping down as our Scholastic Books coordinator. We are in need of (ideally) two volunteers to help coordinate our monthly Scholastic subscriptions, as well as our upcoming Spring Book Fair in late April. If you are interested in learning more about this important aspect of community life, contact Obi at ookobi@cityneighborshamilton.org.