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*Spanish & Korean interpreters will be present.
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*To register for child care (ages 3 – 12 only)
please call 410-222-5309*

*Anne Arundel County Public Schools Office of School & Family Partnerships
in collaboration with Anne Arundel Community College invites you to attend a...*

Family Involvement Conference



Family: The Core of Student Achievement!

Saturday, November 16, 2013 * 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Anne Arundel Community College | 101 College Parkway, Arnold, MD

Please Note...

- *Limited child care will be available on a first come, first served basis.*
- *Pre-registration is required (Ages 3–12 only). Children under the age of 16 may not accompany parents into conference sessions, per AACCC rules. (Call 410-222-5309 to register for child care.)*

**Conference is Free * Continental Breakfast & Lunch will be provided.
Please Register Early at www.aacps.org/conference.**

A sampling of the workshops you can choose:

Bringing Out the Best in Children

Learn simple techniques and strategies to bring out the best in children by identifying their often hidden strengths and talents. Learn to turn perceived weaknesses into strengths by creating simple activities that can be enjoyed together. Gain insight into how children succeed and what we can do to take an active role, through the power of creativity, to help them gain the confidence and self-esteem they need.

A Parent's Guide to the new Common Core State Standards

Maryland is in the forefront of an exciting national movement to implement more rigorous and consistent learning expectations in English language arts and mathematics. Come learn how these curriculum standards were developed, how they have been implemented in classrooms, and how they are affecting your child this school year. There will be plenty of time for questions.

Why Does He/She Do That?

This session will focus on helping parents understand:

- how their children learn best
- how to identify their learning strengths by identifying maximizing their Multiple Intelligences
- how temperament influences learning, and
- how to help teachers and other staff understand the influence of culture on their children's learning needs.

Participants will complete a learning styles inventory, reflect on their own learning styles and discuss cultural differences in learning.

Getting Started with Parent CONNECTxp

ParentCONNECTxp is a convenient home-to-school collaboration tool that allows you to keep track of your children's academic progress using a password-protected website. Parents/guardians may view their children's schedules, current class grades, assignments, attendance, and marking period report cards. Information is updated daily! Parents can also elect to receive automatic e-mail notification of unexcused absences, tardies and missing assignments. This session will highlight ParentCONNECTxp and showcase 'inside' the tool.

Magnets Attract

Participants will review the hallmarks of the AACPS Magnet Programs and learn about the application process. This session is for families of elementary or middle school students who are interested in learning more about these programs.

Directions to Anne Arundel Community College, 101 College Parkway, Arnold, MD 21012

From Annapolis:

Take Route 2 north (Governor Ritchie Highway) toward Baltimore. Stay on Route 2 for about three miles. Turn right on College Parkway. The first right turn is the campus entrance. Follow the Ring Road to Parking Lot A on your right. The Pascal Center is on the left across from Parking Lot A.

From Baltimore:

From Interstate 695 take exit 2, Route 10 toward Severna Park. Stay on Route 10 until it ends at Route 2 (Governor Ritchie Highway). Follow Route 2 south about five miles. Turn left on College Parkway. The first right turn is the campus entrance. Follow the Ring Road to Parking Lot A on your right. The Pascal Center is on the left across from Parking Lot A.

Supporting Your Child's Creative Potential

Tapping into creative habits like concentration, imagination, analytical thinking and crucial response can enhance student learning in every area of study. Parents will engage in activities to understand how students can use their creativity to focus on and enhance their academic achievement.

The Family That Serves Together Stays Together

Caring and compassion are two of the greatest values parents hope to instill in their children. We want our children to be active participants in making our communities better places to live for all. How can we do this? Family volunteering can be one powerful answer.

Time Management & Organization

Help your children to become more successful at time management and organization. Strategies will be shared to help parents assist their children in this difficult task.

AP (Advanced Placement) For All!

AACPS offers a wide variety of Advanced Placement courses. The benefits of taking AP courses will be highlighted, including AP Diploma endorsement, AP Scholars, opportunities to experience true academic rigor, and satisfaction of achievement. Learn about the free resources currently available, along with resources that will be available soon.

Hands on Equations

Hands-On Equations is a visual and kinesthetic approach to algebra which supports the introduction of algebraic thinking for students as young as grade 3.

Through the use of manipulatives, students are able to solve equations typically not introduced before middle school. Come play to learn how fun algebra can be.

The above workshops will be offered in English, with interpretation in other languages as requested. Spanish and Korean interpreters will be present. For other languages, call 410-224-7061.

Three of the above workshops will also be presented in Spanish.

To register online (preferred method) go to www.aacps.org/conference.

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*You can also register by returning this form to the Office of School & Family Partnerships,
AACPS, 2644 Riva Rd, Annapolis, MD 21401*

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Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Child's Name/School Name: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____