

Miner PTO General Meeting

February 7, 2023

It's Black History Month! Be sure to follow Miner PTO on both [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) to keep updated on all the activities going on this month.

Agenda

6:00 - 6:05 Welcome, Introductions, Reading of Minutes

6:05 - 6:15 Principal's Report

6:15 - 6:25 Capitol Hill Little League

6:25 - 6:30 Community School Update

6:30 - 6:40 School Committee Reports

Miner Mutual Aid Network

Green Team

LSAT

6:40 - 6:45 Special Guest: Marc Friend, ANC 7D06 Commissioner

6:45 - 6:55 PTO President & VP Report

6:55 - 7:05 Treasurer & Teacher Representative Reports

7:05 - 7:15 Upcoming Events, Reminders, Opportunities

Open Comment: Other joys, concerns, or questions?



Welcome!

- Welcome to our February PTO General Meeting!
- Reading of the [minutes](#).
- Thank you to our friends at Christ City Church for providing babysitting for the evening. They are in the Library.
- If you are joining us virtually, please be sure to ask your questions in the chat and they will be asked by our VP.
- After the meeting, please reach out to us at minerpto@gmail.com to let us know what you did/did not like about the virtual format - we would LOVE your feedback!
- Next PTO meeting date: Tuesday, March 7, at 6:00pm



Principal's Report

Principal Dance



Capitol Hill Little League

Doug Rawald





IT'S TIME TO PLAY!

Calling **ALL** families in Capitol Hill! If you are interested in enrolling your child in a fun-filled baseball or softball program this spring, look no further. Capitol Hill Little League offers opportunities for children ages 5-15 who live in and/or attend school within [these boundaries](#). New players are welcome at any age! Equity is a foundational value in the CHLL community so we offer scholarships to any family in need, no questions asked. With this scholarship, registration fees are waived and all uniforms and equipment are provided for. All games and practices for the season take place in and around the Capitol Hill neighborhood in Washington D.C.. And the good news is - registration is now open! Don't wait, [SIGN UP HERE](#) for a season filled with laughter, friendship, teamwork, and growth. CHLL is also always looking for extra family support, so if you are interested in managing or coaching a team, check out the [volunteer opportunities](#).



IT'S TIME TO PLAY BALL!

Spring Baseball and Softball begins
March 20 and ends June 18!



SPRING SEASON REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



Enroll your family in a fun-filled baseball or softball program this spring. Capitol Hill Little League offers children ages 5-15 an opportunity to spend their spring laughing, making friends, practicing teamwork, and growing into well-rounded athletes. New players are welcome at any age! Equity is a foundational value in the CHLL community so we offer scholarships to any family in need, no questions asked. With this scholarship, registration fees are waived and all uniforms and equipment are provided for. To register for the 2023 Spring Season, log on to www.CHLLDC.org and use the information below to select the appropriate age group and register your family for a summer you'll never forget!

BASEBALL

- Single A (5-6 y/o)
- Double A (7-8 y/o)
- Triple A (9-10 y/o)
- Majors (11-12 y/o)
- Juniors/Seniors (13-16 y/o)

SOFTBALL

- Single A (5-7 y/o)
- Double A (7-9 y/o)
- Triple A (9-11 y/o)
- Majors (11+ y/o)
- Juniors (13+ y/o)

CHALLENGERS

- This division is an adaptive baseball program serving kids ages 5-15 with physical, developmental, cognitive and/or social needs by providing extra support on and off the field.



Additional Information

- Volunteer w/ CHLL! www.chlldc.org/volunteer
- CHLL Eligibility - www.chlldc.org/play

Community School Update

Ms. ShaLisa Richardson

<https://www.minerelementary.org/community-school.html>



Community School Update

- Stay tuned for some upcoming events/announcements that are still in the planning stage
- We still have a need for new or gently used uniforms (especially pants) in sizes 4-6
- Donations can be dropped off in the Main Office to the attention of “Community School Coordinator” and you can also email Ms. Richardson at srichardson@ebfsc.org
- Kindred is still recruiting for the dialogue groups and hope to have an update by end of the month. Please scan the QR code if you would like to participate.



School Committee Reports

Mutual Aid Network
Green Team
LSAT



Miner Mutual Aid Network

Chris Deutsch

<https://www.minerelementary.org/mutual-aid-network.html>



How Can I Help?

Financial and in-kind donations to support Miner Mutual Aid can be made through the Miner PTO via the [Donation page](#).

- **EBT Cards** - If you have EBT funds and would like to contribute toward food and household items for the next Community Table, please contact Miner mutual aid at minermutualaid@gmail.com or reach out to Chris Deutsch at 202-222-8105. This is a fantastic source of support for the community and goes a long way to ensuring we have all we need for the event. If you would like to learn more about volunteering either at an event or as part of the planning team, or would like to set up a time to drop off a donation, don't hesitate to reach out as well

Next Community Table: Saturday, February 18



How Can I Receive Help?

- Requests for support can be made by filling out [an online Google form](#).
The requests are only seen by the members of the Mutual Aid Network Team and will never be shared.
- Alternatively, you can also reach out to any Miner teacher, the Community School Coordinator, or Social Worker.



Green Team Report

Ms. Emma Creamer, FoodCorps Representative

Ms. Ashley Luttmer, School Garden Coordinator

<https://www.minerelementary.org/green-team.html>



Family Cooking Night!

- All are invited to join our Miner Family Cooking Night on Thursday, February 16th at 5:30pm on Zoom.
- Please see the flyer QR codes linked for more information.
- If you are available to help us prepare for the event, please [sign up to volunteer here](#). See you there!
- Don't forget to follow the garden on [Instagram](#)!



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MINER FAMILY COOKING NIGHT

Make stone soup with Ms. Emma, Principal Dance, & AP Combs on Zoom!

**THURSDAY 2/16
5:30-6:30 PM**

Buy ingredients on your own or pick up ingredients at pickup Tuesday - Thursday.

RECIPE & ZOOM LINK

DONATE

LSAT Report

Mr. Jason Yoho and Julie Muir

Next Meeting: Date TBD

<https://www.minerelementary.org/lsat.html>



Local School Advisory Team

- LSAT is present in every DCPS school and is comprised of elected representatives of parents, teachers, staff, and a community member - plus PTO leader and WTU building rep.
- Primary purpose is to advise the Principal on school priorities, goals, budget, and annual school plan.
- SY2022-23 Co-Chairs: Mr. Jason Yoho and Julie Muir
- All meetings are open to the public, and all members of the Miner Community are welcome to listen in and ask questions. Exception is during closed budget deliberations in February.
- For more information on the Miner LSAT, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/lSAT.html>
- Direct questions to minereslsat@gmail.com



Special Guest

Marc Friend, ANC 7D06 Commissioner



Regular PTO Business



President & VP Reports

- Bear Paw Fund
- Upcoming Fundraising Opportunities
- How to Volunteer
- My School DC Lottery
- PTO is looking for Committee Chairs and Members
- How to Connect



Bear Paw Fund

<https://www.minerelementary.org/bear-paw-fund.html>



I would like to contribute to Miner Elementary PTO's **BEAR PAW FUND**
and help reach our 50% family participation and \$10,000 fundraising goal
for the 2022-23 school year!

MY GIFT AMOUNT: \$ _____

The Miner PTO is a 501c3 charitable organization and all gifts are fully tax-deductible - tax receipts will be provided.

Suggested Amounts: \$1-\$49 (Small Paw) \$50-\$249 (Medium Paw) \$250-\$499 (Large Paw) \$500+ (Grand Paw)

Or consider Donating a month for Miner! Think about how much you would be paying each month for private school, preschool, or daycare. Donate - or pledge to donate - as much of that as you can.

Child(ren) Name(s): _____

Child(ren) Teacher(s): _____

Donor Name: _____ Donor Contact (email or phone): _____

Donor Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Circle the Paw Size that's right for you, fill out the above information and leave this form in the main office,
return it to your child's teacher or to any PTO leader.

CONTRIBUTION OPTIONS

The PTO accepts checks (made payable to "Miner PTO"), via Venmo @MinerPTO, online at www.minerelementary.org/donate,
or use the QR Code on the back of this form.

___ I would like to contribute my gift in full today via check, Venmo or credit card.

___ I would like to pledge my gift in monthly installments to sustain the PTO long-term (Choose monthly donations on [PayPal page](#)).

___ I will check with my employer to see if they match charitable giving. (Many employers/workplaces offer fully or partially matched donations made by employees. Share this opportunity with your employer to see if they're willing to support the Bear Paw Fund too!).

___ I want to contribute another way: _____

This pledge form is also available online at www.minerelementary.org/donate-pledge-form



Bear Paw Fund

<https://www.minerelementary.org/bear-paw-fund.html>



Every gift makes a difference, no matter the size!

Your contribution helps the Miner Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) fund great things for Miner students and the Miner community:

- Field Trips
- Classroom Technology
- Classroom Supplies
- Schoolwide Events
- Garden Program
- Mutual Aid Network

And so much more!



Scan the QR code above to donate NOW!

For more information about Miner and the PTO,
visit: [minerelementary.org](https://www.minerelementary.org)

Want to donate time instead? Check this box to hear about school volunteer opportunities! ☐

This pledge form is also available online at www.minerelementary.org/donate-pledge-form



Upcoming Fundraising Efforts

- Now: Fill in your [Pledge form](#)!
- February: Krispy Kreme fundraiser (details TBD)
- February: Coin drive - Class with the heaviest bucket on Feb. 28 wins a Krispy Kreme donut party!!!
- February 17: Atlas Brew Works party, 4-7 p.m.,
- March 18 & 19: Capital Candy Jar fundraiser
- Volunteers needed for business outreach campaign!
 - Contact us at minerpto@gmail.com to help



Krispy Kreme Digital Dozens Supporting

Miner Elementary PTO

[Get Your Dozens](#)



Help Us Reach Our Goal



Organized by: **Miner PTO**

We support the students and staff at Miner Elementary School, a Title 1 school in Washington DC.

0%

0 dozens sold of 100 dozens goal

\$0.00 Raised | 0 Supporters

32
DAYS

7
HOURS

19
MINUTES

56
SECONDS

Let's get 100 dozens more!

[Get Your Dozens](#)

[Help](#)



Atlas Brewery Ivy City Party

- Friday, February 17, 4-7 p.m.
 - Mention “Miner Elementary” to get a hand stamp and join our section of the bar to hang out with others in our Miner community
 - Miner will receive \$1 per pint sold from people with hand stamps
 - The brewery is located at 2052 West Virginia Ave NE #102
 - <https://atlasbrewworks.com/>
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Capital Candy Jar Fundraiser

- March 18 and 19 - playdate time TBD
- Mention “Miner Elementary” and you’ll get a 5% discount on sales
- Miner will receive 25% of all of the proceeds from “Miner” related sales
- Easter and Cherry Blossom themed candy will be available
- The Capital Candy Jar is located at 201 15th Street NE
- <https://capitalcandyjar.com/>



**ROSES ARE RED
VIOLETS ARE BLUE
COME TO ATLAS BREW WORKS
TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!**



**JOIN
MINER ELEMENTARY
AT
ATLAS BREW WORKS**

FOR A FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT OUR PTO

FEBRUARY 17, 2023 | 4-7 PM

Atlas Brew Works Ivy City Brewery & Taproom

2052 West Virginia Ave, NE

Mention MINER when you make a purchase!

My School DC Lottery

<https://www.myschooldc.org/>

- Lottery is open December 10 - March 1 for PreK-8th
- Results will be announced on March 31, 2023
- Deadline to enroll (for matched students) is May 1, 2023
- Upcoming Miner Open House dates:
 - February 9 (K-5): 11 a.m. - noon; 4 - 5 p.m.
 - February 16 (ECE): 4 - 5 p.m.
- To get the best results for your child:
 - Watch [this video](#) on the process;
 - Research schools [here](#) and talk to parents of current students;
 - Rank your choices in your true order of interest.
- For more information:
 - [Review the FAQs](#)
 - Visit the [lottery and admissions page](#) of our website
 - Email MinerESEnroll@k12.dc.gov





MINER K-5TH OPEN HOUSE

School Year 23-24

Learn more about:

- Instructional Programs
- Curriculum
- Daily schedule
- Special subjects and more



Feb. 9th
11-12pm
and
4-5pm

Miner Elementary School

www.minerelementary.org

How to Connect

- All parents, guardians, teachers, and staff are automatically members of the PTO
- To receive PTO email updates, “The Week Ahead” newsletter, and more, we encourage you to subscribe to the PTO email list by filling out this form:
<https://www.minerelementary.org/join-the-pto.html>
- Follow us on [social media](#)
 - School social media:
 - <https://twitter.com/MinerElementary>
 - <https://www.facebook.com/MinerDCPS/>
 - <https://www.instagram.com/minerelementaryschool/>
 - PTO social media:
 - <https://twitter.com/MinerPTO>
 - <https://www.instagram.com/Miner.PTO/>
 - Other Miner social media:
 - Miner Equity Team: <https://twitter.com/EquityMiner>
 - Miner Green Team: <https://www.instagram.com/Minerelementarygarden/>
- How to share messages: email minercomms@gmail.com and specify which platforms you would like your messages shared on (schoolwide messaging, social media only, etc)
- Follow the school calendar on the [Miner homepage](#)! You can even add it to your phone’s calendar.



Treasurer Report

Nick Heitger



Treasurer Report (This Period)

Income & Expense Summary 1/1/23 to 1/31/23

Balance as of January 31st, 2023::	\$18,841.49
<i>Add: Income (Jan. 1 thru Jan. 31)</i>	\$3,787.32
<i>Subtract: Expenses (Jan. 1 thru Jan. 31)</i>	<u>-\$5,868.28</u>
Balance as of January 31st, 2023:	\$16,760.53

Note: Currently owe an add'l \$7,500 for Food Corp. & New Checking Account has been established for Community Table.

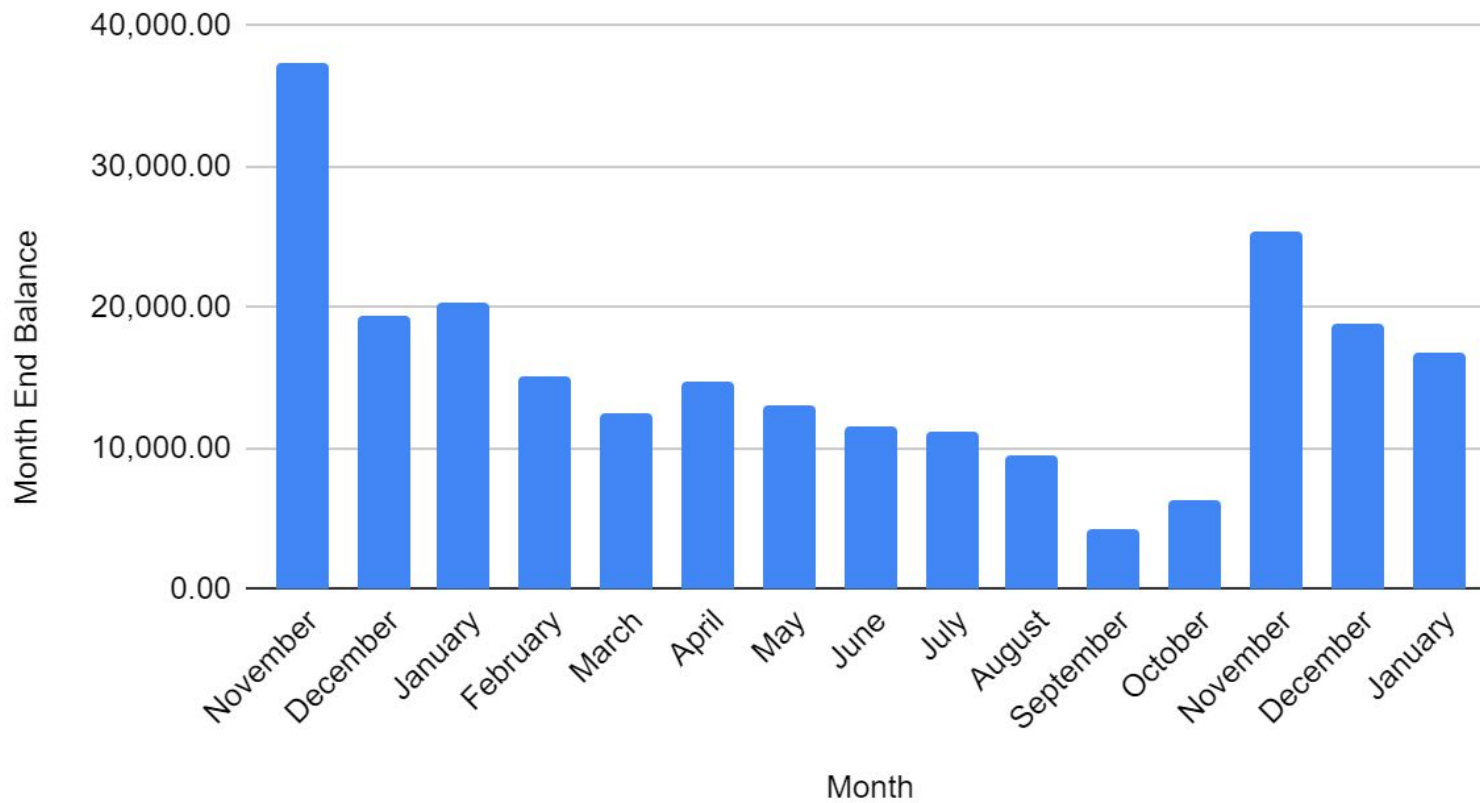
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Treasurer Report (This Period)

Cash Balance by Month Summary 11/1/21 to 1/31/23

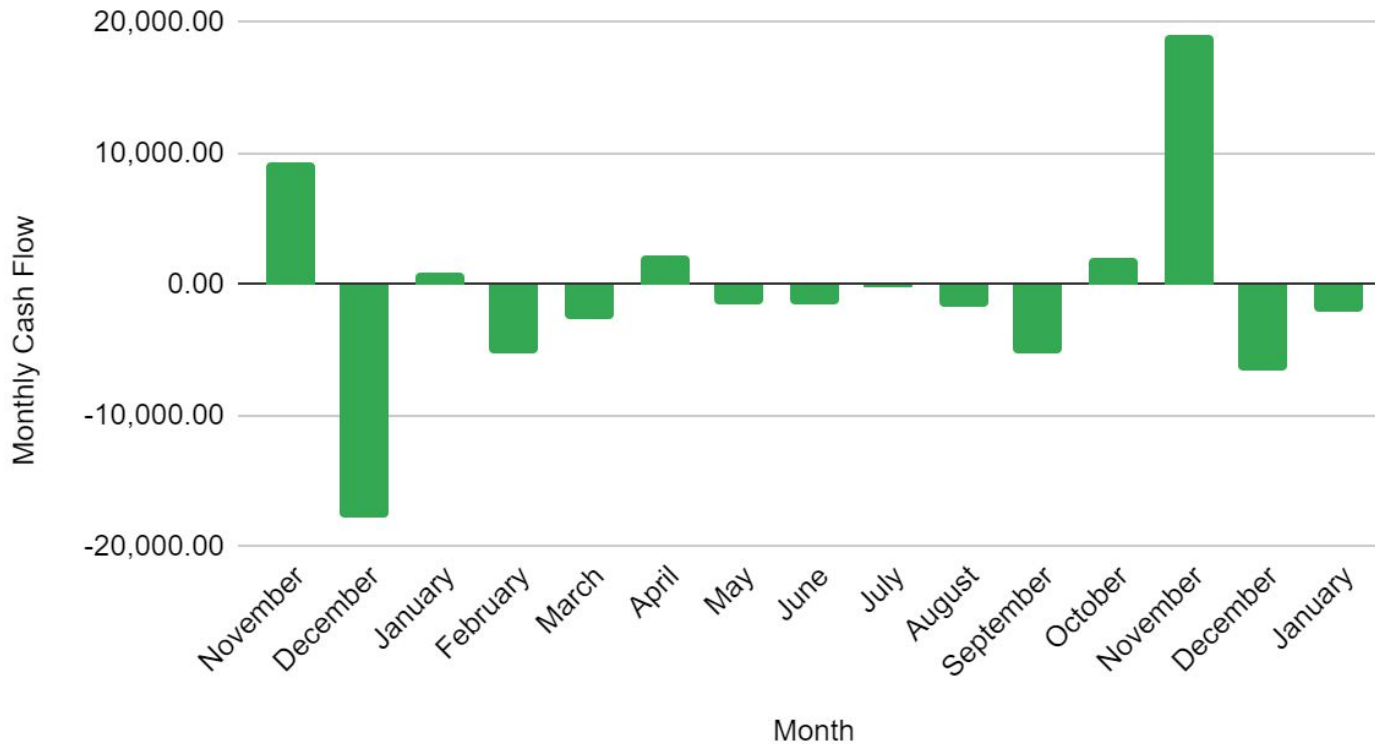
Month End Balance



Treasurer Report (This Period)

Cash Flow Summary 11/1/21 to 1/31/23

Monthly Cash Flow



Teacher Representative Report

Ms. Hayes



Teacher Representative Report

- The Cluster 4 Spelling Bee is tomorrow. Congratulations and good luck to Miner's 3 participants, Zenay Buie, Zachary Hall, and Priya Gattison!
- 100th Day of School Feb. 9
- Black History Month Spirit Week is Feb. 13-17
- Valentine's Day events
- Test to Return after February break



100th Day of School!

TO CELEBRATE THE INCREDIBLE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF
MAKING IT TO OUR 100TH DAY OF SCHOOL TOGETHER,
AND TO CELEBRATE THE AMAZING NUMBER 100,
WE WILL BE CELEBRATING SCHOOL-WIDE!

On Thursday 2/9, please dress in one of the following
ways to show your excitement for the number 100 and
the accomplishment of completing 100 days of school:

- Dress up like you're 100 years old!
OR
- Dress up as a super hero → Zero the Hero!
OR
- Decorate a t-shirt or outfit with 100 items!



MINER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**

SPIRIT WEEK

FEB 13
Heart Health Day

Wear red and heart-themed attire for healthy hearts!

FEB 14
Dress to Impress

Wear your fancy clothes and get ready to dance the day way in Specials!

FEB 15
Black Out Day

Dress in all black!

FEB 16
African Heritage Day

Wear dashikis, kente cloth, and/or t-shirts with inspiring quotes to celebrate Black culture!

FEB 17
70s and 80s day

Wear your bell bottoms, tie dye and other 70s and 80s themed attire!



MINER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FILM FESTIVAL

EACH GRADE BAND WILL BE WATCHING A
SPECIALLY CHOSEN FILM TO CELEBRATE
BLACK HISTORY AND CULTURE!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH, 2023
DURING SPECIALS

The background of the entire poster is a light pink color. Scattered across this background are numerous 3D-style pink hearts of various sizes. These hearts have a layered, paper-like appearance with soft shadows, giving them a sense of depth. They are positioned around the central white text box, with some larger hearts near the corners and smaller ones in between.

CREATE A VALENTINE *with us!*

Create a card for your child and a classmate!

MINER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
LIBRARY

February 14, 2023
8:20-9:00am

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

A festive flyer for a Valentine's Day Dance. The background is light gray with a white border. Decorative elements include pink and white striped gift boxes with silver bows in the top-left and bottom-right corners, and pink envelopes with red hearts in the top-right and bottom-left corners. A string of pink heart-shaped lights winds across the top and bottom. The text is centered: 'HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY' in a small, dark gray sans-serif font, followed by 'DANCE' in a large, bold, maroon serif font. Below this, the phrase 'Dress to impress and get ready for...' is written in a black cursive font. A maroon rectangular box contains the text 'DANCING, GAMES, AND FUN' in white sans-serif font. At the bottom, 'FEBRUARY 14 | DURING SPECIALS' and 'MINER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL' are written in a maroon sans-serif font.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

DANCE

*Dress to impress
and
get ready for...*

DANCING, GAMES, AND FUN

FEBRUARY 14 | DURING SPECIALS
MINER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Test to Return

Take a COVID-19 Test to Return to School

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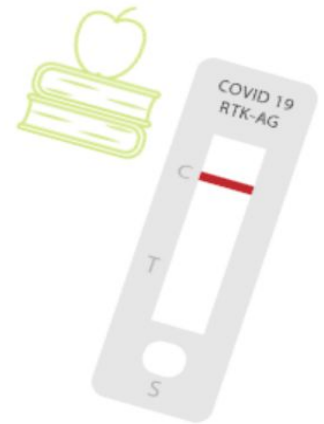
Schools will distribute COVID-19 test kits from February 15 to 17.
Families can also pick up a test kit from any District COVID Center, located in all 8 wards.

2

Students are expected to take a COVID-19 test on Sunday, February 26.

3

Go to [DCPSstrong.com/testing](https://dcpsstrong.com/testing) to upload your student's test results on the day they take the test.



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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WE ARE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DC MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR



Miner PTO General Meeting - February 7, 2023

Upcoming Events, Reminders, & Opportunities



Upcoming Events (1 of 5)

February 1-28

- **Black History Month!** Stay tuned for events planned at school, plus be sure to follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) as we highlight an African American icon each day of the month.

Thursday, February 9

- **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM // Open House for Incoming K-5 Families:** Kindergarten through 5th grade families who are considering Miner for next school year are invited to join the administration for an in-person open house to learn more about our school. Visit our [lottery and admissions page](#) for more information.
- **4:00 PM - 5:00 PM // Open House for Incoming K-5 Families:** Kindergarten through 5th grade families who are considering Miner for next school year are invited to join the administration for an in-person open house to learn more about our school. Visit our [lottery and admissions page](#) for more information.
- **4:00 PM - 5:00 PM at Burrville ES // Basketball Game:** Cheer on the Miner Boys' Basketball Team as they take on [Burrville Elementary](#).

February 13-17

- **Black History Month Spirit Week:** Each day this week students are encouraged to dress up to celebrate Black History Month. Each day is something new. [Click here for the flyer](#) to see what to wear!

Monday, February 13

- **Black History Month Spirit Week // Heart Health Day:** Wear red and/or heart-themed attire for healthy hearts!



Upcoming Events (2 of 5)

Tuesday, February 14

- **Black History Month Spirit Week // Dress to Impress Day:** Wear your fancy clothes and get ready to dance the day away in Specials!
- **8:20 AM - 9:00 AM in the ECE Wing // Create a Valentine:** All ECE families are invited to create a Valentine's Day card during drop off with their students. We hope to see you there! For more information, please contact your ECE teacher or [click here](#) for the event flyer.
- **Valentine's Day Dance:** Dress to impress and get ready for dancing, fun, and games during Specials! [Click here](#) for more info.
- **4:00 PM - 5:00 PM in the Gym // Basketball Game:** Come cheer on the Miner Boys' Basketball Team as they take on [Drew Elementary](#).

Wednesday, February 15

- **Black History Month Spirit Week // Black Out Day:** Dress in all black!



Upcoming Events (3 of 5)

Thursday, February 16

- **Black History Month Spirit Week // African Heritage Day:** Wear dashikis, kente cloth, and/or t-shirts with inspiring quotes to celebrate Black culture.
- **4:00 PM - 5:00 PM in the ECE Wing // Open House for Incoming ECE Families:** ECE families who are considering Miner for next school year are invited to join the administration for an in-person open house to learn more about our school. Visit our [lottery and admissions page](#) for more information.
- **4:00 PM - 5:00 PM in the Gym // Basketball Game:** Come cheer on the Miner Boys' Basketball Team as they take on [Payne ES](#).
- **5:30 PM - 6:30 PM via Zoom // Family Cooking Night:** All are invited to join our Miner Family Cooking Night on Thursday, February 16th on Zoom. [Please see the flyer QR codes linked for more information](#). If you are available to help us prepare for the event, please [sign up to volunteer here](#). See you there!

Friday, February 17

- **Black History Month Spirit Week // 70s and 80s Day:** Wear your bell bottoms, tie dye, and other 70s and 80s themed attire.
- **Black History Month Film Festival:** Each grade will watch an age appropriate film during Specials. [Click here](#) for more info.
- **4:00 PM - 7:00 PM at Atlas Brew Works Ivy City // PTO Fundraiser:** We put the FUN in fundraiser at this event at [Atlas Brew Works Ivy City Brewery and Taproom](#)! Join us for a pint or two and be sure to mention Miner when you purchase so our PTO gets a portion of the proceeds. See [this flyer](#) for more information!



Upcoming Events (4 of 5)

Saturday, February 18

- **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM in the Miner Parking Lot // Miner Mutual Aid Network Community Table:** Join us for the Miner Mutual Aid Network's Community Table in the Miner parking lot. We will once again feature free food boxes, PPE, and other necessities for any member of the community in need. Visit our [dedicated Mutual Aid Network page](#) for more information.

Monday, February 20

- **Presidents' Day Holiday (School Closed)**

Tuesday, February 21 - Friday, February 24

- **February Break (School Closed)**

Tuesday, February 28

- **5:00 PM - 6:00 PM via Zoom // PTO Leadership Team Meeting:** The monthly meeting of the PTO Executive Board and Committee Chairs is open to anyone interested in attending and/or providing feedback to PTO leadership. [Click here for more information about the Miner PTO.](#)



Upcoming Events (5 of 5)

Wednesday, March 1

- **My School DC Lottery Application Deadline:** Today is the last day for students entering grades PreK3 - 8 to submit (or edit) a lottery application for school year 2023-24. Visit myschooldc.org for more information and to complete your application today. Visit our [lottery and admissions page](#) for more information.

Thursday, March 2

- **6:00 PM - 7:30 PM at Miner // Science in Your Backyard:** Join our STEM teacher Ms. Hillenbrand and other Miner teachers and staff along with the [Carnegie Institution for Science](#) for this family-friendly night of science and exploration. See the [event flyer](#) or contact [Ms. Hillenbrand](#) with questions.

Tuesday, March 7

- **6:00 PM - 7:00 PM in the Cafeteria // PTO General Meeting:** Join us for the PTO's regular monthly meeting for membership to hear the latest news, developments, and plans from the PTO leadership, Principal Dance, and special guests. [Click here for more information about the Miner PTO.](#)



Reminders & Opportunities

- Sign up to be a PTO volunteer! Complete the form by [clicking here!](#)
- If you are interested in joining a PTO Committee, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/parent-teacher-organization.html> and email minerpto@gmail.com
- If you are interested in becoming more involved in the garden/with the Green Team, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/green-team.html> and email Ms. Ashley Luttmer at ashley.luttmer@k12.dc.gov or Ms. Emma Creamer at emma.creamer@foodcorps.org
- If you are interested in joining the Equity Team, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/equity-team.html> and email minerequityteam@gmail.com
- If you would like more information on the Miner Mutual Aid Network, or to volunteer at/donate to an upcoming Community Table, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/mutual-aid-network.html> and email minermutualaid@gmail.com



Thank You!

Any joys, questions, or concerns that you'd like to share?