

House Environment And  
Transportation Committee.

Chairman Kumar Barve

January 20,2016

Early Session Briefing On

Learn Shop Inc.'s "Drive For Supplies" Partnership

With Montgomery County Public Schools

Address Notes:  
Rev. Kevin K Newcomer  
Learn Shop Inc.  
Drive For Supplies  
January 20,2016

**Chairman Kumar Barve**

**Maryland House Transportation and Environment Committee**

**Dear Committee Members:**

**In the packets you received today, you will find letters of support for Learn Shop's Drive For Supplies program with Montgomery County Public Schools from: Ms. Kathy Lazor. Head of MCPS Materials Management. Larry Bowers, Acting Superintendent, Congressman Chris Van Hollen, Senator Ben Cardin, and a wonderful note of thanks from Miguel Carbo-Benites, The Consul General of Ecuador, one of many countries also assisted. We hope at the end of this whole presentation we can count you all in as supporters as well.**

**The representatives of Montgomery County Public Schools and Learn Shop Inc. are here to share with you the success of our partnership. We do this in the hope that other school systems will join us in the effort to reduce waste and reuse valuable resources. In theory this presentation should be given to the committee that handles education. The thing is, your committee is also about educating people in better environmental approaches. We have found that year end desk and locker clean outs cost school systems money in increased trash tipping fees.**

**Now, one way to deal with that cost is to require students to bring a contractor grade trash bag to school and take their trashed locker contents to their own home. We would miss a great teachable opportunity with that approach. When the students donate the usable supplies, they have an opportunity to separate out the spent papers to be recycled. The Drive For Supplies can reuse the other tools of learning for economically challenged students. The students involved learn much more.**

**The Drive For Supplies is having an impact in Montgomery County, Maryland and is still growing. Our great desire is to see it expand all across our State. We are surrounded by traditions, routines, technological advances, habits that effect us as individuals, groups, and societies in our global community.**

**Montgomery County Public Schools, by partnering with Learn Shop Inc., has developed an incredible “Best Practice” -- that of encouraging students to donate school supplies which traditionally were cast into the waste stream, to be instead processed and redistributed to other students in need. This process utilizes multiple problems to make multiple solutions:**

- 1. The need to encourage students to think how they may make a positive contribution in the greater world.**
- 2. The need to handle scholastic year end waste.**
- 3. The need for impoverished students locally and abroad to have school supplies at no cost to their families.**

**Please consider the contents of an average student's locker in April, filled with papers, pens, pencils, rulers and books. Now multiply those contents by every elementary, middle and high school student across our state. Like a Modern Marvels History Channel program, this tradition developed here in the USA. There are still places in the world where students learn from teachers sitting under a tree. In the U S one room school houses developed. Over the years the schools increased in size with our population. The new larger buildings had lockers for the students to utilize for their coats, lunches, and other school materials. Our culture changed post World War II to encourage consumption for the sake of the overall economy.**

**I witnessed my first school locker clean out in 1972 as a student at Robert Frost Junior High. It seemed to be conducted like a military drill. Trash cans were provided and we had a limited time to clean out our lockers. I was amazed. My fellow students threw out seemingly everything. I stayed an hour after school helping myself to the rulers, papers, pens, and even books. I had graph paper well into college. At one point I decided I could not save all the colored pencils in the world.**

**Years later, while seeking to become an ordained minister, I met an amazing woman named Louise. We married and became a clergy couple. When Louise Newcomer decided to form the non-profit organization Learn Shop Inc. I assisted in any way I could. She taught classes to economically challenged people on shopping techniques to better stretch out their food budgets. We collected and distributed grocery coupons. We also purchased items for soup kitchens and food pantries.**

**In 1999 Louise had a vision of assisting the Kosovar Refugees temporarily relocated at Fort Dix, New Jersey. She planned a “Drive For Supplies”. The supplies we requested of the general public included clothing, toys, games, etc. My role was to call on each volunteer fire department in Montgomery County to seek permission for them to be drop off points in the community. The volunteer fire departments were each independent. We decided to collect school supplies as well.**

**At that time home economics teachers handled the new student volunteer service learning program, so we approached those teachers at four schools. They collected over 4 palettes of school materials from their locker clean outs. It went so well we expanded the next year with the blessing of then School Superintendent Jerry Weast. With the tremendous contributions of Ms. Karen Crawford and now Ms. Katie Rossini. We are now up to 88 tons of school supplies saved and dispersed since its inception. The majority is distributed in Montgomery County to students, teachers, YMCAs , ESOL and Linkages to Learning programs. By virtue of my pastorate at English Consul Christian Church, I see to it that South West Emergency Services of Baltimore County receives needed supplies. Supplies have been even shipped to other countries such as Ecuador, Nigeria, Haiti, Jamaica, the Philippines and Iraq. As I tell my interfaith colleagues, it makes no difference that your Holy Scriptures are written in every language if they cannot read in the first place.**

**Consider this: Years ago those below the age of eighteen were considered “infants” under the law. They could sign no contracts or be held responsible in certain situations. An impoverished child is not responsible for their poverty. Their poverty as a child, however, could well be responsible for a less than optimal economic situation in the future for all of us. The Truman administration put the free and reduced lunch program in place in an effort to produce smarter, healthier men of fighting age. It was a national security issue. We are approaching a similar situation as that very program is a measure of student poverty in the U.S. today. You will find a chart in the back of your packet. According to the Southern Education Foundation, Maryland is relatively lucky in that only 43% of our public school students qualify for the free or reduced school lunch program. In California it is 55%, 59% in Florida, 61% in Oklahoma, and even 71% in Mississippi. The national average is 51% of our public school students. There are roughly 50 million students across our nation.**

**A student should not have to debate with themselves over whether to use their paper for note taking or homework. Like the volunteer fire departments, each of Maryland's school districts are independent. If they could work together on this, it would do wonders. Should Howard County have excess they could share with Allegheny County. Baltimore County could share with Baltimore City's Public School System. We have both pockets of wealth and poverty across this State and the Nation.**

**We are here today to seek your help and support in any way you can to assist us in saving all of the colored pencils in the world. According to the EPA and the U.S. Department of Education in 2000, MCPS is the first to collect usable school supplies in a systematic process school district wide. We would like Maryland to be the first to implement this concept Statewide. Our Governor Larry Hogan could share our success with the other states and encourage them to do the same. If the other counties of Maryland would partner with Learn Shop as MCPS has, we could track the progress made. James Harkin, Director of the Maryland Environmental Service noted today: "What doesn't get measured, doesn't get done." If a school system needs faith communities to assist in the sorting and distribution, that can be arranged. My Regional Minister, Allen Harris, would be happy to help with those connections.**

**We are tired of school supplies ending up in the wrong hands. For over fifty years usable school supplies have ended up in trash cans in the hands of the garbage collectors. You can assist us in changing that practice. With this being an example for the other States, Maryland could greatly fight ignorance, poverty and environmental degradation around the world. As far as I know, there are no definitive studies that prove that pens and pencils in the ground improve water quality. Through the work of Lt. Scott Egan and his parents, MCPS supplies helped set up a school in the Anbar Province of Iraq. By working with institutions such as the World Bank's Book Project, resources are available to identify worthy schools around the world. This could help the U.S. Depts. Of Defense, State and the EPA In their missions.**

**My own family has been in Western Maryland for some 200 years now. My Grandfather, John Newcomer, was even a Delegate from Washington County in the late 1940's. I want My Maryland to be the first to do this Statewide. I believe your committee can help us do that.**

**Thank you for your time in listening to our presentation.**



January 15, 2016

Reverend Kevin Newcomer  
The Learn Shop, Inc.  
2617 Newton Street  
Wheaton, Maryland 20902-5511

Dear Reverend Newcomer:

It is my pleasure to recognize the successful collaboration between the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) Department of Materials Management and The Learn Shop, Inc. Our organizations work together in the *Drive for Supplies* initiative that encourages students to donate used, but usable, school supplies at the end of the school year when they clean out their lockers, book bags, and desks. This is a wonderful opportunity to educate our students about the benefits of reusing and recycling supplies. Additionally the usable school supplies are donated to help disadvantaged MCPS students and local children of all ages.

The Department of Materials Management (DMM) delivers boxes, labels, and tape to the schools in May. Schools then collect the student items and work with the *Drive for Supplies* coordinator at the school. Once school has closed in June, the DMM team returns to the schools to pick up the boxes and deliver them to the identified distribution site.

As you know, last June over 14,000 pounds of supplies were collected from 81 schools. This is a student driven effort. Students work with the school coordinator to collect and box the supplies. Students earn Student Service Learning credit by helping to sort and separate the donated supplies and help those coming to the donation site. Students recognize that *Drive for Supplies* has a positive impact on the environment while instilling a sense of responsibility.

The DMM is proud to be a part of the *Drive for Supplies* initiative in MCPS. It is our goal that all MCPS schools participate in the initiative in the future.

Respectfully yours,

Kathleen C. Lazor, Director  
Department of Materials Management

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Department of Materials Management



**MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
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January 14, 2016

The Reverend Kevin Newcomer  
Program Director, Drive for Supplies  
Learn Shop, Inc.  
2617 Newton Street  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20902-5511



Dear Reverend Newcomer:

I was honored to attend the *Drive for Supplies* celebration on July 13, 2015. The quantity of recycled school supplies donated by our school system and community partners exceeded 13,289 pounds. Eighty-one schools (10 high schools, 21 middle schools, and 50 elementary schools) participated in the program by collecting and donating gently used materials. Sixty-five student leaders worked to organize and distribute donated supplies at the celebration. It is extremely gratifying to know that these school supplies were distributed to children who reside in Montgomery County and to nonprofit organizations that work with our community's youth.

Beginning in summer 2000, Montgomery County Public Schools has partnered with Learn Shop, Inc. to collect and distribute approximately 88 tons of school supplies. Your mission to help low-income families in Montgomery County and around the world is to be applauded. *Drive for Supplies* not only operates to benefit economically disadvantaged children; it also works to protect the environment by recycling items that otherwise would end up in landfills.

Participation in *Drive for Supplies* provides an excellent opportunity for our schools and student leaders to develop leadership skills, encourage recycling, and support children in need. *Drive for Supplies* contributes in significant, meaningful ways to help our greater community.

I look forward to continuing our partnership well into the future.

Sincerely,

Larry A. Bowers  
Interim Superintendent of Schools

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Copy to:

Dr. Navarro	Ms. Berner
Mrs. Richardson	Ms. Rossini

Office of the Superintendent of Schools

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Mrs. Louise Newcomer  
Executive Director  
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Dear Mrs. Newcomer:

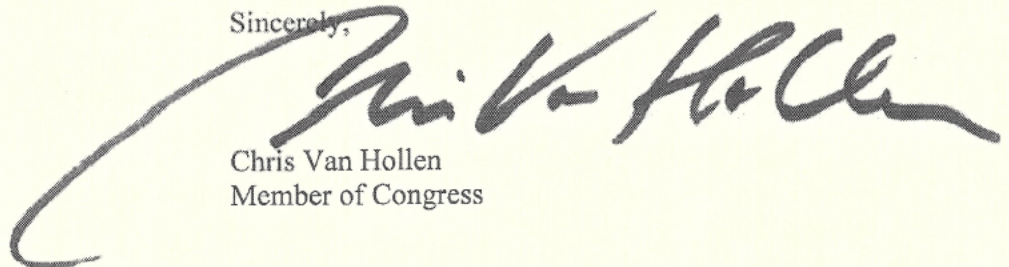
I am writing in strong support of the Drive for Supplies program.

I have attended the Drive for Supplies Year-End Recycling Celebration in the past. In years when I am unable to attend, I ensure that a member of my staff attends this wonderful annual event as my representative. In fact, I have recognized the accomplishments of the project in the *Congressional Record* and commended it to all of my congressional colleagues. My staff and I agree that this is an extremely worthwhile program and are pleased to learn of its effort to expand to other counties in Maryland and, eventually, statewide. I hope that Maryland can set an example as the first state in the nation with a statewide School Supply Recycling Policy and/or Program.

I appreciate how important Drive for Supplies' work is in providing free school supplies to needy children and families, how much of the waste stream has been diverted to reuse, and how students and staff of our public schools have come together to set an example for important social action as a solution to our environmental and educational needs.

Thank you for your outstanding work. As always, please let me know if I can be of assistance to you in any way.

Sincerely,



Chris Van Hollen  
Member of Congress



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January 19, 2016

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Mrs. Louise Newcomer  
Executive Director  
Learn Shop, Inc.  
2617 Newton Street  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20902

Dear Mrs. Newcomer:


I write to congratulate you on the Drive for Supplies program. Your efforts to collect gently used school supplies and distribute them to disadvantaged students offers a great many benefits throughout our community.

As students clean out their lockers at the end of the school year, teachers and administrators at their schools ask them donate usable supplies that would otherwise be thrown away. Drive for Supplies collects these supplies and over the summer, volunteers sort them for distribution in the fall. Those volunteers include Montgomery County Public School students, who are able to receive Student Service Learning credit for their time.

This program assists students who otherwise do not have the resources to purchase supplies by giving them access to many of the tools they need to take full advantage of their educational opportunities. It helps our environment by repurposing usable materials rather than sending filling our landfills. And it demonstrates to both students and teachers that they can become part of the solution to both of these problems.

Thank you for the time and thought you and Reverend Newcomer have put into Drive for Supplies. As a result of your work, students from all economic backgrounds benefit and learn from this project, our environment is protected, and resources are better utilized. I wish you the best in your effort to expand the program throughout the State of Maryland.

Sincerely,

  
Benjamin L. Cardin  
United States Senator

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REPUBLICA DEL ECUADOR  
Oficina Consular del Ecuador en  
Washington, D.C.



Ministerio  
de Relaciones Exteriores  
y Movilidad Humana

No. 3-8-06/2016  
Washington, January 15, 2016

### CERTIFICATION

The Consulate General of Ecuador in Washington certifies that on 2003 the Embassy received a donation from the Foundation "Learn Shop Inc.", which was sent to Ecuador through its Police Attaché Office. The donation included the following:

- 3 wheelchairs
- 1 refrigerator
- Computers
- School supplies
- Furniture for a medical dispensary

This donation was sent to Ecuador and distributed among needed people in rural areas of the country.

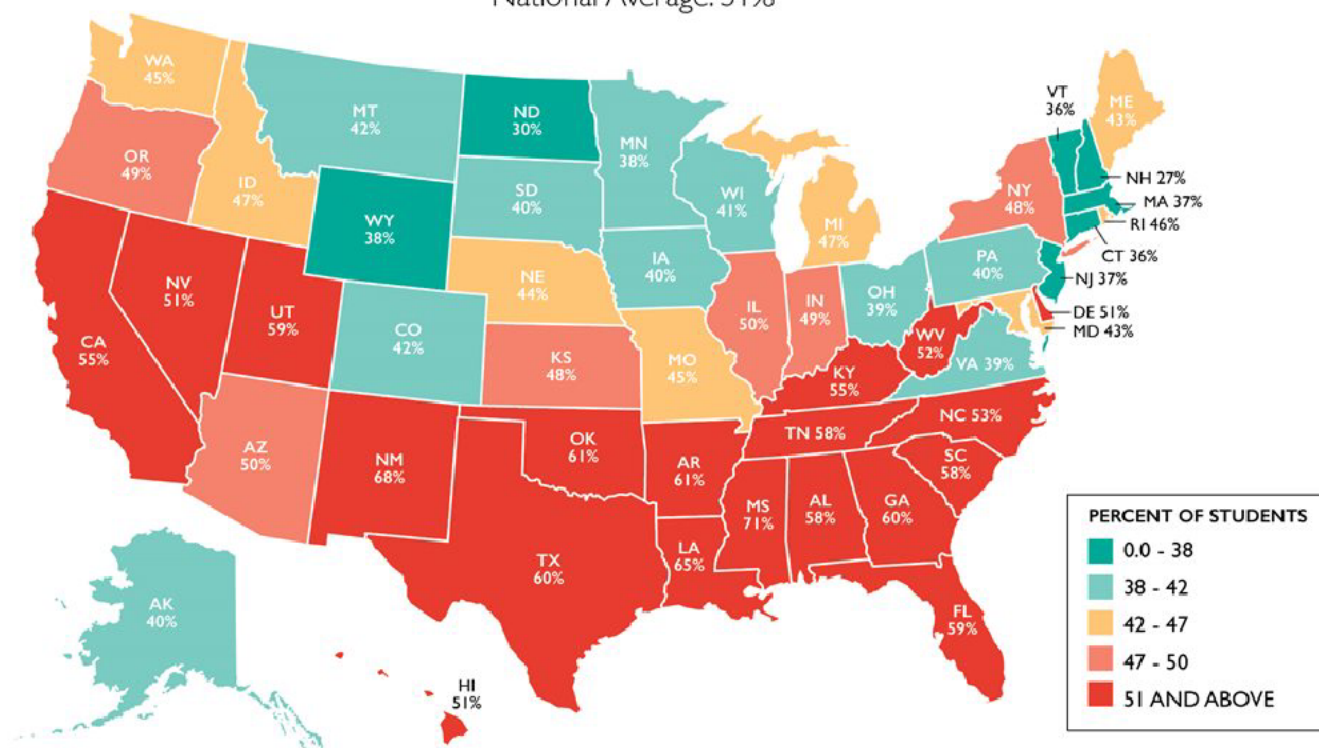
We are thankful to the "Learn Shop Inc." foundation for its donation and its permanent interest of helping dispossessed people in many countries.

Miguel Carbo-Benites  
Consul General



# PERCENT OF LOW INCOME STUDENTS IN U.S. PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2013

National Average: 51%



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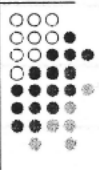
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# Drive for Supplies Briefing

Kevin and Louise Newcomer  
Founders

Katie C. Rossini  
MCPS Student Leadership Coordinator

January 20, 2016




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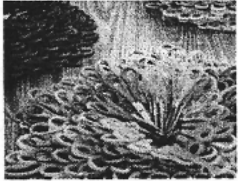

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# Objectives

- Share background information
- Describe logistics
- Provide data and next steps
- Answer questions


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# Drive for Supplies Overview

**2015 MCPS Moment**  
<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/mainstory/story.aspx?id=433631>

**2014 MCPS Moment**  
<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/mainstory/story.aspx?id=373376>


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### Drive for Supplies Schools

- 50 elementary schools
- 21 middle schools
- 10 high schools




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### Drive for Supplies Corps

- 65 middle and high school students
  - 23 MCPS schools represented
- Next Step: Cabin John and Rock Terrace Extended School Year (ESY) students




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### Drive for Supplies Data

Year	Pounds	Volunteers	Hours
2015	13,298.1	66	1,320
2014	24,594	274	2,466
2013	16,010	168	2,096
2012	13,183	299	1,038
2011	11,946	138	790
2010	25,184	293	1,754
2009	14,480	208	1,036
2008	15,021	91	626
2007	9,016	58	417
2006	5,718	103	427
2005	9,784	124	961
2004	7,023	24	194
2003	5,594	12	N/A
2002	5,320	14	N/A




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This e-mail message has been approved for distribution by Dr. Maria V. Navarro, chief academic officer; and Dr. Andrew M. Zuckerman, acting chief operating officer. No hard copy will be provided.



**ACTION REQUIRED BY: May 29, 2015**

Office of the Chief Academic Officer  
Office of the Chief Operating Officer  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Rockville, Maryland

May 14, 2015

MEMORANDUM

To: All Principals

From: Maria V. Navarro, Chief Academic Officer   
Andrew M. Zuckerman, Acting Chief Operating Officer 

Subject: ACTION: Drive for Supplies Project

**Summary**

- Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), in collaboration with Learn Shop, Inc., an organization that collects and distributes new and reusable school supplies, will participate again this year in *Drive for Supplies*, the end-of-the-school-year locker and backpack clean-out project. The collected supplies are donated to international and local nonprofit groups, including MCPS.
- This memorandum serves as notice that all schools and alternative programs are expected to participate in the *Drive for Supplies* end-of-the-school-year program. The School Energy and Recycling Team, Department of Facilities Management, will present a recognition award to the elementary, middle, and high school that collects the most supplies.
- Attached is a *Drive for Supplies* checklist (Attachment A) with instructions for your designated coordinator, along with promotional flyers and announcements for your coordinator's use (Attachments B and C).
- Participation in *Drive for Supplies* is an excellent opportunity to emphasize our MCPS recycling program, examine recycling in your school, support your local community, and remind staff members and students about the benefits of donating to those in need.
- As this project emphasizes environmental concerns and social responsibility, you may find it appropriate to involve science and social studies teachers, student government advisors, honor societies, and your student service learning and recycling coordinators.

**Action**

- Please designate a *Drive for Supplies* coordinator to organize groups of students and staff members to help with collecting supplies. This role is aligned with the responsibilities of the school recycling coordinator, but individual schools may appoint any staff member to fulfill the responsibilities, which include registering his/her name and school, organizing student teams to collect, sort, box, and label usable supplies, and reporting the number of boxes collected.
- Please ensure that your designated *Drive for Supplies* coordinator registers your school online by **Friday, May 29, 2015**. Collection boxes, tape, and labels for collecting gently used supplies will be delivered to all schools. The filled boxes are scheduled for picked up between Monday, June 22 and Monday, July 6, 2015.

**Questions**

- Please contact Ms. Katie C. Rossini, coordinator, Student Leadership Office, Department of Student Services, at 301-444-8620 or via e-mail.

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**Attachments**


**Copy to:**

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Ms. Rossini  
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Mrs. Cuttitta  
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Mr. Prouty



## “Drive for Supplies”

### Checklist for the School *Drive for Supplies* Coordinator

- No later than **May 29, 2015**, register your school and contact person at the “Adult Contact and School” link at <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/studentaffairs/sao/supplies/d4smcps.shtm>. There is no user ID required; just click on “Request.”
- The *Drive for Supplies* coordinator should collaborate with the School Energy and Recycling Team coordinator, science teachers, social studies teachers, student service learning coordinator, and student government group, etc., to emphasize to students the socioeconomic and environmental aspects of this project. 
- The Department of Materials Management will send boxes, labels, and tape to all schools at the beginning of June. The boxes will be shipped to the “Drive for Supplies Coordinator.” Additional packing supplies can be obtained by sending an e-mail request to Mr. Orlando (Lanny) Taylor at [Orlando\\_L\\_Taylor@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Orlando_L_Taylor@mcpsmd.org).
- Organize groups of students and staff members to help with this important effort. Schedule a day (or days) for each class, team, or grade level to clean out their lockers, backpacks, and desks.
- Advertise this collection/recycling project to all students. To increase the awareness of this effort, consider using PA announcements, PTA newsletters, posting signage, or creating PSAs (short movies).
- Assign students to be in the halls collecting the supplies.
- Ask students to tear out and recycle used pages of composition and spiral notebooks before donating.
- Assign students to stand by both recycling bins and trash cans to ensure that no usable supplies are being thrown away and that recyclable items are not going into trash containers.

Filled boxes from classes and hallways should be delivered to a designated “processing site” that will—

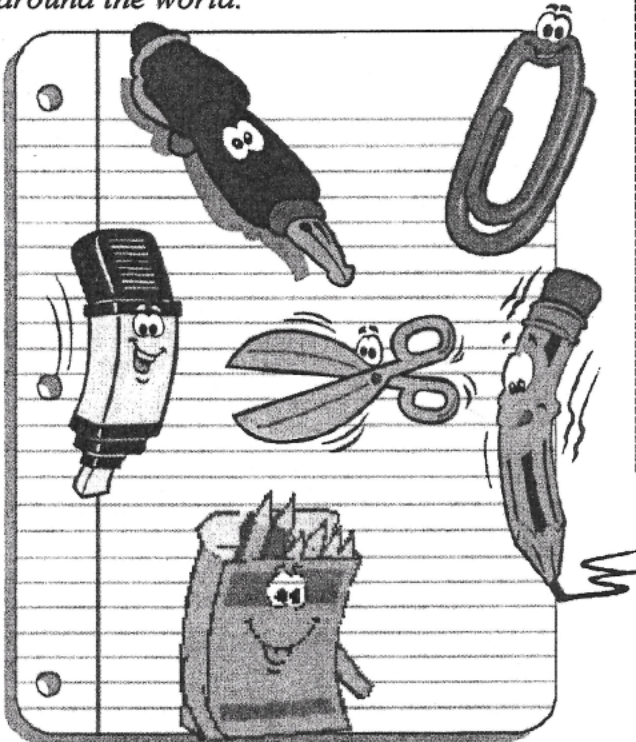
- check that supplies are in usable condition (the coordinator should determine the usefulness or condition of the items collected);
  - check that all used pages in composition/spiral notebooks have been torn out and recycled. (Please check carefully—this is extremely important);
  - sort items into similar categories and box accordingly; and
  - seal boxes, indicate content on boxes, and affix the provided labels (fill in your school name).
- Give *Student Service Learning* (SSL) credit forms to secondary students who are collecting, sorting, boxing, and labeling supplies during non-instructional time.
  - IMPORTANT**—No later than **June 19, 2015**, click on the “Report Your School’s/Office’s Collection” link at the following address to report how many boxes need to be picked up from your school. There is no user ID required, just click on “request.”  
<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/studentaffairs/sao/supplies/d4smcps.shtm#report>
  - Stack boxes in clear view near the front entrance inside the school and tape a note to the main office door reporting the location and number of boxes for pick up. The Department of Materials Management will pick up boxes from schools between June 22 and July 6, 2015.
  - If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Katie C. Rossini, coordinator, Student Leadership Office, at 301-444-8620 or via e-mail.

**REMINDER: DO NOT SEND CLOTHING.**

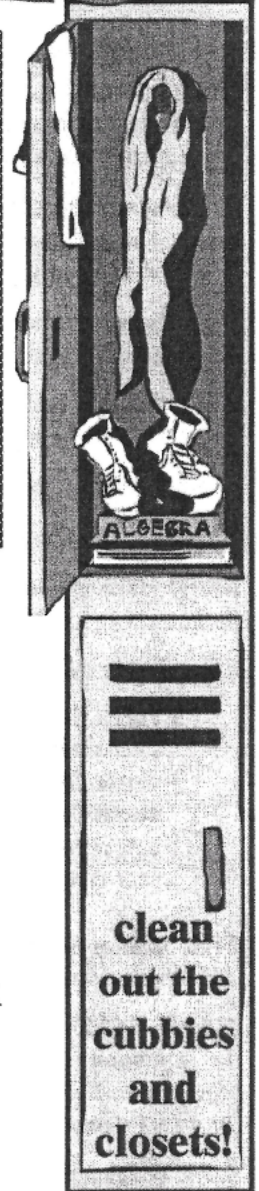


# Drive for Supplies

*Helping students in need both locally and around the world.*



***Clean out  
your desk  
and donate  
your used,  
but usable,  
supplies!***



**clean out  
the old  
backpack**

**Recycling Emphasis**



***Recycle items  
that can't be  
donated!***

**A Community Service  
Project for MCPS**



## *Drive for Supplies* Public Address Announcements



*Drive for Supplies* is a project that encourages students to donate used, but usable, school supplies at the end of the school year when they clean out their lockers, book bags, and desks. At the same time, it is an opportunity to educate students about recycling.

All schools will be participating in the *Drive for Supplies* initiative this year. Below you will find suggested public announcements that can be shared during morning announcements to encourage students and staff to participate by donating supplies that are reusable and not needed for the following year. Thank you for your support.

- \_\_\_\_\_ (name) School will be participating in the annual *Drive for Supplies* this year. While cleaning out your lockers, desks, and backpacks, please remember to place all used, but still usable school supplies, in the *Drive for Supplies* boxes located in \_\_\_\_\_. These supplies will be distributed to students in need.
- If your items are not reusable but recyclable, please place them in the school's recycling bins.
- Did you know that the *Drive for Supplies* donated items are used to help disadvantaged children in Montgomery County, the Washington metropolitan area, and in other countries?
- By donating your used, but usable school supplies, you are helping to reduce our solid waste which ends up in landfills. Reduce, reuse, recycle—you can help preserve your environment. Thank you for your support.
- If you are looking for something to do this July or need student service hours, volunteer to help pack and distribute the donated school supplies. Volunteers must register to participate by July 1, 2015. See our *Drive for Supplies* coordinator, Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_, for more details. See full details at:

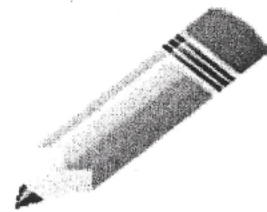
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**Drive for Supplies 2015**

**School:**

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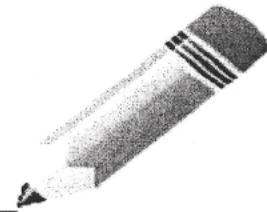


**Drive for Supplies 2015**

**School:**

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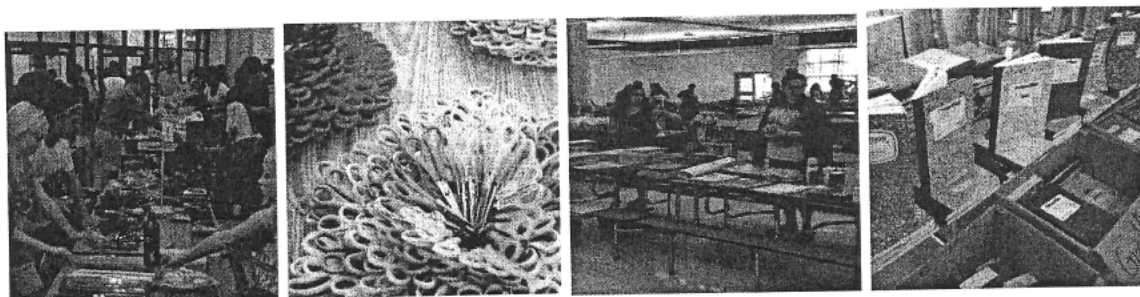


School	Contact
Albert Einstein High School	Rosemary Piercey
Argyle Middle School	Carol Sattler
Ashburton Elementary School	Joanna Robbins
Baker Middle School	Dawn Haren
Bannockburn Elementary School	Nicole Melnick
Benjamin Banneker Middle School	Nora Whitmore
Burning Tree ES	Pam Mercer
Cabin John MS	Patti Swift
Candlewood Elementary School	Kirsten Schultz/Judy Graves
Captain James Daly Elementary	Priscilla Borchardt
Cashell Elementary	Robin Blumberg
Cedar Grove ES	Melanie Jackson
Charles Drew Elementary	Jenn Horvath
Clarksburg Elementary School	Maureen Enstrom
Clarksburg High School	Angela Y. Wang
Clearspring Elementary School	Tara Gray
Cloverly Elementary	David Cline
Cold Spring Elementary School	Lynn Palmer
College Gardens Elementary School	Stephanie Labeda
Cresthaven Elementary School	Emily Madan
Damascus High School	Robert Hyman
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. MS	Sally MacGregor
DuFief Elementary School	Lori Morgan
Fallsmead ES	Amanda Manoel
Farmland Elementary	Dan Tucci
Flora M. Singer ES	Nicole Weaver
Forest Knolls	Lisa Rule-Peterson
Forest Oak Middle School	Jill Chen/Stacey Bumbernick
Fox Chapel	Christina Millard/Vinh Hong
Gaithersburg Middle School	Liz Palumbo
Georgian Forest Elementary School	Donna Yang/Jasmin Brown
Glenallan ES	Barbara Templin
Goshen Elementary School	Nicole O'Malley
Highland View Elementary School	Janet Sluzenski
James H. Blake HS	Rachel Givens
John Poole Middle School	Edward Mattingly
Kingsview Middle School	Janet Moore
Lakelands Park Middle School	Karen Luensman
Laytonsville Elementary	Cherie Ward
Lee Middle School	Robyn Hart/Joanne Rosenblatt
Little Bennett Elem	Charlotte Robertson
Luxmanor ES	David B. Nguyen
North Bethesda Middle School	Ashley Rice
North Chevy Chase Elementary	Melanie Carr
Northwood High School	Andrew Peim

Paint Branch High School  
Parkland Magnet Middle School  
Poolesville Elementary School  
Redland Middle School  
Richard Montgomery High School  
Ridgeview Middle School  
Roberto Clemente Middle School  
Rock View ES  
Rocky Hill MS  
Ronald McNair ES  
Rosa Parks Middle School  
Rosemary Hills ES  
Sally K Ride Elementary School  
Sargent Shriver ES  
Seven Locks Elementary School  
Shady Grove Middle School  
Sherwood ES  
Sligo Creek Elementary  
Somerset Elementary School  
Stephen Knolls School  
Stonegate Elementary School  
Strathmore ES  
Strawberry Knoll Elementary School  
Tilden Middle School  
Travilah Elementary School  
W.T. Page ES  
Walt Whitman High School  
Walter Johnson High School  
Washington Grove Elementary School  
Watkins Mill High School  
Westbrook ES  
Westland Middle School  
Westover Elementary School  
Wheaton Woods ES  
Whetstone ES

Karen Sondak  
Dora Reineke  
Chrissie Harney  
Brenda Young  
Michelle Alexander  
Maddy Conroy/Rachel Bucklin/Robyn Dubois  
Sheila Sanford  
Glen Messier  
Sean Stevenson  
Lita Yates/Kristen Maloney  
David Obal  
Susan Katz  
Katherine LoCurto  
Mimi McKindley-Ward  
Laurie Steinberg  
Christine Oxenford  
Jenny Fleming  
Andy Goldberger  
Greg Matwey  
Alison Dennison  
Mary Altaner  
Alan Fishman  
Keith Henry  
Amy Domingos/Lisa Goldman  
Carol Knoblach  
Michele Dean  
Angela Cook  
Ian Matthews  
Jason Lee Snyder  
Julie Broyles  
Caitlin Quinn  
Rachel Johns  
Mohamed Kargbo  
Flor Lopez  
Dayna Rothman

## Drive for Supplies Corps Summer 2015



Apply to be part of the Drive for Supplies Corps!  
Make a difference while earning 20 SSL hours!

### **Application**

Online application due Wednesday, June 3, at 4:00 PM

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1gMhepZI8Izw1mstn79Kh1p5CTQSKFha80Lzm0CfUC0w/viewform?c=0&w=1>

### **Orientation**

Monday, June 8, 6:00-8:00 PM, CESC auditorium

### **Set-Up**

Wednesday, July 8, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM, Richard Montgomery cafeteria

Thursday, July 9, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM, Richard Montgomery cafeteria

### **Press Conference and Distribution**

Monday, July 13, 12:00-5:00 PM, Richard Montgomery cafeteria

### **Clean-Up**

Tuesday, July 14, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM, Richard Montgomery cafeteria

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Questions? Contact [Katie\\_C\\_Rossini@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Katie_C_Rossini@mcpsmd.org) or 301-444-8620

## Drive for Supplies Corps 2015-2016

Name:	School:	Grade:
Abriana Buonassisi	Redland	8
Alazare Bati	Montgomery Blair	12
Alexis Mensah	Benjamin Banneker	8
Alexis Wood	John T. Baker	7
Amy Odenthal	Rockville	11
Ana Gutierrez Covarrubias	Earle B. Wood	8
Andrew Audas	Thomas W. Pyle	7
Angelo Javier Navaleza	John T. Baker	7
Anna Estaura	A. Mario Loiederman	9
Armanulhaq Kushwaha	Ridgeview	9
Benjamin Dresbach	Westland	7
Brianna Ortiz	Rockville	12
Brittney Montecino	Redland	7
Caitlin Crawford	Redland	
Callie Newberg	Shady Grove	7
Carla Day	Ridgeview	7
Caroline O'Neill	Earle B. Wood	9
Chau Trinh	Richard Montgomery	12
Christelle Mecherkany	Thomas W. Pyle	9
Claudia	Northwood	11
Daniel Li	Roberto Clemente	9
Darren	Ridgeview	8
Eyver	Wheaton	12
Gabriel Alvarez Campbell	Earle B. Wood	7
Gabrielle Kessel	Rockville	11
Gianna Ward	James Hubert Blake	12
Gowri Malik	Ridgeview	7
Hulaimatou Bayo	Benjamin Banneker	9
Irene Navaleza	John T. Baker	9
Isbah Afzal	Richard Montgomery	12
Jane Brock	Earle B. Wood	8
Jewet Stefanos	Redland	9
JiaTong (Kevin) Liang	Shady Grove	9
Jolie Le Fauve	Earle B. Wood	8
Joseph Kutza	Roberto Clemente	9
Kateland Ferraz	Richard Montgomery	12
Kelen Chen	William H. Farquhar	7
Kimberly Puglia	James Hubert Blake	12
Kyle Hedaria	Forest Oak	7
Laura Romero	Northwood	10
Layla Ruiz	Roberto Clemente	8
Lizette Pomce	Ridgeview	7
Lucas Lima	Rockville	12
Lulaa Yohannes	Montgomery Blair	11
Madison Crawford	Redland	9
Makel Rasheed	Tilden	9
Malina Grande	Tilden	8
Matthew Pham	Ridgeview	8
Mia McHugh	Tilden	8
Micah Montano	Tilden	7
Michelle Shen	Cabin John	8
Moyra Bianca Santos	Earle B. Wood	8
Mykela DeVille	Rockville	12
Naomi Mathis-Thomas	Roberto Clemente	9

**Drive for Supplies Corps  
2015-2016**

Olivia Tetrault	Tilden	8
Quang Nguyen	Richard Montgomery	12
Robert Yoon	Roberto Clemente	7
Ronald Lagos	Rockville	12
Thu Nguyen Vo	Northwood	12
Ummara Khan	Francis Scott Key	9
Vivian Nguyen	Shady Grove	9
Xinwei Li	Richard Montgomery	11
Yang Lu	Julius West	9
Yosefe Eshete	Montgomery Blair	12
Yutong (Tommy) Liang	Col. Zadok Magruder	11



**STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete this form legibly in blue or black ink. Submit it to the school student service learning (SSL) coordinator by the following deadlines:

- Service completed during the summer — **DEADLINE: Last Friday in September.**
- Service completed during 1st semester — **DEADLINE: First Friday in January.**
- Service completed during 2nd semester — **DEADLINE: First Friday in June.**

**STUDENT INFORMATION—To be completed by the student prior to review from the nonprofit tax-exempt organization.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI ID Number

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ First Period Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Student e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Reflection:** Think about your service-learning activity. Respond to the following questions in a written paragraph below.

- **What** did you do?
- **What** need did your service address?
- **Who** benefitted from your service?
- **What** did you learn about yourself?
- **How** was this experience connected to something you learned in a class at school? (For example, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Arts, Physical Education, Health, Foreign Language, etc.)

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**NONPROFIT TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATION INFORMATION—To be completed by the supervisor after the phases of preparation and action have occurred, and the student reflection paragraph has been read and approved.**

Organization MCPS SLU Federal Employer Identification # 30-001235 Phone 301-444-8620

Address 12900 Middlebrook Road Germantown MD 20874 Katie\_C\_Rossini@mcpsmd.org  
Street City State ZIP Code e-mail

Describe Activity (performed) Participated in the Drive for Supplies Corps

**Service Record**

Date From	Date To	# Days of Service	# Hours Per Day (8 in a 24 hour period maximum)	Total # Hours Completed (award 1 SSL hour for every hour of service)
July 8	July 14	4	Varied	

Supervisor Katie C. Rossini MCPS Student Leadership Coordinator  
Print Name Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature, Supervisor

7 / 14 / 15  
Date

**SSL COORDINATOR USE ONLY**

Check if automatic hours are attached to this activity as a result of course instruction.

Verification form submitted to coordinator \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Date

Hours earned previously \_\_\_\_\_ + Hours for this activity \_\_\_\_\_ = Total hours including activity \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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**INFORMATION**

Office of Special Education and Student Services  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Rockville, Maryland

June 4, 2015

MEMORANDUM

To: All Principals

From: Chrisandra A. Richardson  Associate Superintendent

Subject: INFORMATION: *Drive for Supplies—Distribution of Donated School Supplies*

**Summary**

- Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), in partnership with Learn Shop, Inc., participates in the *Drive for Supplies*, a program that encourages students to donate used, but usable, school supplies to students locally and around the world who would otherwise have none.
- MCPS schools participate by encouraging students to clean out their lockers, book bags, and/or desks at the end of the school year and donate their used, but usable, supplies to the *Drive for Supplies* program.
- The *Drive for Supplies* ceremony and press conference will take place at Richard Montgomery High School on Monday, July 13, 2015, from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m.
- School staff members may attend the press conference and stay to pick up needed school supplies for their students at the conclusion of the ceremony or until 5:00 p.m.
- Individual families and nonprofit organizations also are welcome to pick up supplies.

**Questions**

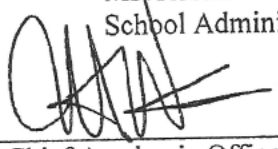
- Contact Ms. Katie C. Rossini, coordinator, Student Leadership Office, Department of Student Services, at 301-444-8620 or via e-mail.

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Approved:   
Maria V. Navarro, Chief Academic Officer

Office of the Superintendent of Schools  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Rockville, Maryland

June 11, 2015

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Larry A. Bowers, Interim Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Drive for Supplies Press Conference at Richard Montgomery High School

*Drive for Supplies*, a partnership between Learn Shop, Inc. and Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), supports the collection and distribution of new and gently used school supplies to Montgomery County families and non-profit agencies that benefit children. Now in its sixteenth year, the *Drive for Supplies* program has generated over 81 tons of school supplies.

As the end of each school year approaches, students and staff members are encouraged to clean out desks, closets and lockers and donate reusable supplies. The donated supplies not only support the *Drive for Supplies* program, but also help reduce disposal costs for the school system. The donated school supplies are collected from MCPS schools and offices and sent to Richard Montgomery High School where student volunteers earn student service learning hours as they sort and box the supplies for distribution.

The annual summer *Drive for Supplies* program will conclude with a media event on Monday, July 13, 2015, at 12:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of Richard Montgomery High School, located at 250 Richard Montgomery Drive in Rockville. At the end of the ceremony, the donated supplies are made available to MCPS schools, families in need, and non-profit organizations.

Members of the Board of Education are most welcome to attend this event. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Dana M. Tofig, director, Department of Public Information and Web Services, via e-mail at [dana\\_tofig@mcpsmd.org](mailto:dana_tofig@mcpsmd.org) or by telephone at 301-279-3853.

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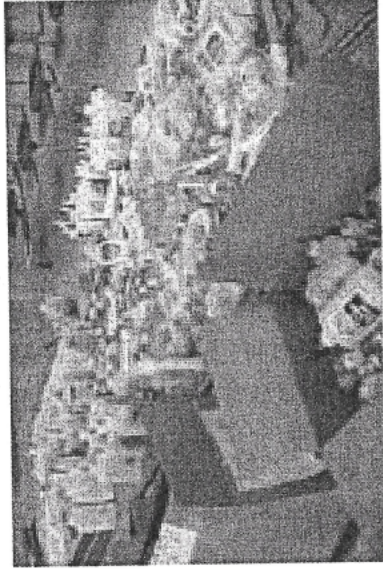
**History:** *Drive for Supplies*, now celebrating its sixteenth anniversary, is the product of collaboration between Learn Shop, Inc., and Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS). This program not only teaches students that they can have a direct impact on communities by donating their reusable school supplies to local, national, and international schools and organizations, it teaches them the importance of recycling and reducing landfill waste as well.

*Drive for Supplies* was conceived in 1999 by Kevin and Louise Newcomer, founders of Learn Shop, Inc., a nonprofit organization based in Wheaton, Maryland. The program has expanded each year since its inception. Since 2002, MCPS has collected over 88 tons of school supplies!

This year, 81 MCPS schools, along with several MCPS offices, and local businesses, participated in the program. At the conclusion of today's celebration ceremony, the collected supplies will be distributed to nonprofit agencies and county schools with a high number of low-income and needy students and families. Additionally, supplies will be available to area non-profit organizations.

Special thanks to the 65 *Drive for Supplies Corps* student volunteers who spent several days this summer sorting and packing the donated supplies!

# Drive for Supplies



## Celebration

July 13, 2015  
12:30-5:00 p.m.

Richard Montgomery High School

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Learn Shop, Inc. & Montgomery County  
Public Schools

## **Welcome**

Mr. Larry A. Bowers, Interim Superintendent of Schools

## **Comments**

Mrs. Patricia O'Neill, Board of Education President

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Newcomer, Learn Shop, Inc. Founders

Mr. Richard Benjamin, SERT Recycling Manager

Drive for Supplies Awards

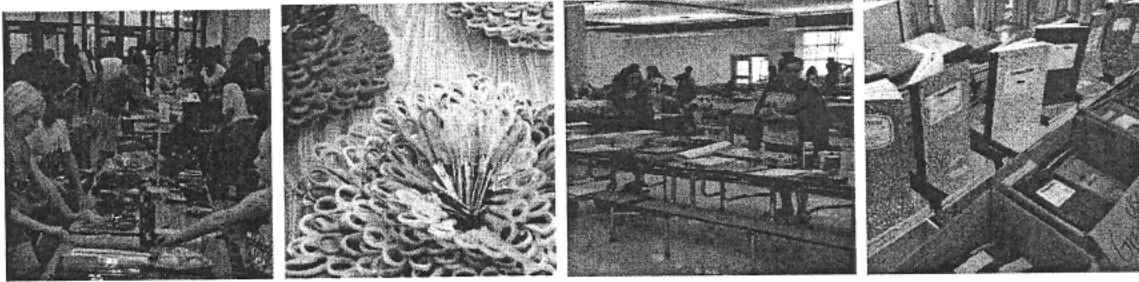
- Forest Knolls Elementary School
- Kingsview Middle School
- Paint Branch High School

## **Closing**

Ms. Katie C. Rossini, Student Leadership Coordinator

Students, parents, faculty, staff, agencies, and non-profit organizations may pick-up supplies at the end of the ceremony. *Drive for Supplies Corps* members are available to assist guests.

**Drive for Supplies Data Chart**  
**July 13, 2015**  
**(Draft 7.10.15)**



Supply	Weight in lbs.
Backpacks	214.2
Binders	2,576.5
Bookends	25
Books	823
Calculators	5
Chalk	8
Clipboards	57
Colored Pencils	179
Compasses	9
Composition Books	1,676
Construction Paper	50
Copy Paper	440
Crayons	473
Dividers	53
Envelopes	10
Erasers	156
Folders	950
Games	108
Glue	258
Graphing Paper	10
Hand Sanitizer	34.2
Highlighters	117
Holepunchers	9
Index Cards	121
Instructional Books	96
Labels	20
Instructional Materials	45
Locker Supplies	60.8
Lunchboxes	177.1
Markers	203.5
Notebook Paper	824

Paint/Paint Supplies	10.5
Pens	625
Pencil Boxes/Pouches	670
Pencil Sharpeners	20
Pencils	191
Paperclips	25
Post-It Notes	28
Posters	52
Protractors	22
Reinforcements	2
Rubberbands	7.8
Rulers	45
Tape	15
Scissors	92
Sheet Protectors	72
Spiral Notebooks	1,546
Staples/Staplers	45
Stickers/Stamps	9.5
White Out	4
Whiteboards	19
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,289.1</b>

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 Questions? Contact [Katie\\_C\\_Rossini@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Katie_C_Rossini@mcpsmd.org)



## “Drive for Supplies”

October 12, 2015

Ms. Karen K. Powers  
Office of Information Technology  
Montgomery College  
15400 Calhoun Drive, Suite 310  
Rockville, Maryland 20855

Re: *Drive for Supplies* donation

Dear Ms. Powers:

Thank you for your donation to the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) *Drive for Supplies* campaign. MCPS, in collaboration with Learn Shop, Inc., an organization that collects and distributes new and reusable school supplies, participated again this year in *Drive for Supplies*, the end-of-the-school-year locker and backpack clean-out project. The collected supplies are donated to international and local nonprofit groups.

The 2015 *Drive for Supplies* ceremony and press conference took place Monday, July 13, 2015, 12:00-5:00 PM, in the Richard Montgomery High School cafeteria. For more information about the Drive for Supplies program, please contact the Student Leadership Unit 301-444-8620 or visit our webpage at <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/student-leadership/drive-for-supplies.aspx>.

The community coming together makes a difference for students and their families. Your donation of copy paper, notebooks, and office supplies is very much appreciated. Your generous support of our students proves that if everyone gives back a little a lot can be accomplished.

Sincerely,

Katie C. Rossini  
Coordinator  
Student Leadership Unit

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