Welcome Back Woodlawn Warriors! We are incredibly excited to begin the 2018-19 school year. This year promises to be filled with a variety of academically rigorous opportunities for all students as we continue to encourage our students to “Enter to Learn and Leave to Achieve” in the college and career sectors. We will launch our one-to-one initiative as we bring technology into the hands of students and create the perfect blend of learning that will meet our students’ needs. We will continue #changingthenarrative of Woodlawn High School and make a concerted effort to celebrate our many successes amongst teachers, staff, and the community. The school is still undergoing a major renovation that is creating a 21st century learning center for students and we will get to unveil two of the completed sections as scholars return to school this Fall.

It is important to begin the year, reflecting on the past and planning to enhance and improve school wide initiatives to continue guaranteeing student success. Last year we celebrated a 92% graduation rate! We increased overall standardized testing participation rates by 18%. The Advanced Placement participation rate increased by 80%, this means more students are committed to college readiness and the academic challenges offered here at Woodlawn. SAT scores continued to increase in Reading and Math. We made huge gains in Mathematics and Literacy with over 73% of the student body moving two grade levels in one or both areas. We decreased overall school wide failures and suspension rates. We are working hard to improve daily attendance of all students and this also increased. We increased academic interventions available for all students and encouraged students to take the WARRIOR CHALLENGE and enroll in a Career and Technology pathway, apply for a Magnet program, or commit to Honors or Advanced Placement coursework. We have much to CELEBRATE and share. We can’t wait for your Warriors to arrive and add to our story.

During the 2018-2019 school year, we will continue to build upon our foundation of following the Woodlawn Warrior Way and encouraging and recognizing Warrior PRIDE. Warriors will come to school Prepared and ready to learn each day. Warriors will show Respect to their peers, school staff and the school community. Warriors will exhibit a level of Integrity in their social and academic experiences. Warriors will be Determined in all they choose to do. Warriors will be Engaged in their school community, as both a student and a leader. We will reward positive behaviors and continue to promote a restorative, civic community. We are committed to creating a culture and community where all students feel a sense of belonging and we have planned restorative interventions and advisory for all students as we work to improve our community and support positive behaviors. We ask for parental support as we roll out our one-to-one computer initiative, enforcing the wearing of a visible school ID and promoting daily attendance and preparedness to school on time at 7:30.

We, at Woodlawn High School, pledge to you, our students and parents, that this will be a year of meaningful and rigorous coursework in our classrooms. This year we plan to focus on school climate and culture- by promoting student self-advocacy. We also plan to place a strong emphasis on literacy skills - reading, writing and speaking - in each content classroom to improve your students learning environment and academic skillset. We will “Get LIT with Literacy!”

We welcome you to The Warrior Family and to our wonderful learning community . . . a place alive with energy . . . enthusiasm . . . and a high standard of excellence! Woodlawn High School is a place where opportunities abound! A variety of special events, extracurricular clubs, student activities, and athletics are readily available to encourage our Warriors - new and old (alumni) to be involved and stay connected with the Woodlawn community!

Here’s to a Wonderful Warrior school year as we work together to make our school a great place to work and learn each day. We plan to do #whateverittakes to ensure your student is a success.

Sincerely,

Ms. Georgina Aye, Principal
Administration Communication Center

CLASS OF 2019
ARE YOU READY?!?!?!? I am ecstatic to welcome you all back to Woodlawn High School, but even more excited to welcome you to your senior year. Being a senior brings a lot of mixed emotions, but one thing is for sure this is the beginning of your next chapter. My goal is that each of you will be prepared to enter the next chapter in your life, whether that is college, a trade or military. We must have a plan! So, anytime you see me in the hallway be prepared to answer the questions, what are your next steps? What is your plan after WHS? I promise that your Advisors, Counselor and I have been working very hard on new and exciting adventures for this school year BUT remember Graduation Over Everything is our focus this year. To my senior parents/guardians, I know this has been a journey for you as well and together we will see that all your hard work comes to fruition. I am a firm believer in the quote “it takes a village...”, so with that in mind, I promise that together, we will ensure that class of 2019 reaches all their goals. I look forward in working with you all and I feel privileged to lead the Class of 2019 to the road to success.
- Ms. Madeline Beauzile, 12th Grade Administrator

CLASS OF 2020
Welcome back Warrior Class of 2020! I am honored to serve as the Assistant Principal for the Class of 2020. It is truly a privilege to be part of a community where parents, teachers and scholars care for each other and strive to build positive relationships that support academic and social growth. It is our mission to help you all feel welcomed, connected and part of the Woodlawn family. Your Junior year will be exciting and academically challenging and we will get through it together. I look forward to strengthening and creating new relationships with you this year as we move closer to 2020.
- Mr. Tharon Washington, 11th Grade Administrator

CLASS OF 2021
Dear Class of 2021: As Your Assistant Principal for the 2018-19 school year, I would like to welcome you back to your Sophomore year at Woodlawn High. As the summer winds down and you enjoy your last few weeks of the summer, I hope that you are preparing for an exciting and productive school year. For those of you who were here as freshmen last year, we were able to build strong relationships based on respect, understanding, and high expectations. As you continue your pursuit of excellence this year, I will continue to encourage, motivate, support, and advocate for you as the Warrior Assistant Principal who will give his last in order for you to succeed. I hope you are excited to begin your Sophomore year of high school I look forward to meeting and greeting you all on the first day of school, Tuesday, September 4, 2018!
- Mr. Kelly Barr, 10th Grade Administrator

CLASS OF 2022
Welcome Class of 2022! I hope you are excited to begin your Freshmen year of high school. I have made a career on building meaningful and impacting relationships with students, parents, and the community and look forward to meeting and greeting you all on the first day of school, Tuesday, September 4, 2018. I am excited to partner with you and your parents to ensure your continued success in your freshmen year. The 9th grade orientation is a great opportunity for incoming freshmen to become acclimated to high school before the start of classes. Students and parents will have an opportunity to meet some of the 9th grade teachers, tour the building, receive valuable information about graduation requirements, and learn about some of the fun and exciting academic and extracurricular activities that Woodlawn has to offer, and more. Please join us for the Class of 2022 Grade 9 orientation on Thursday, August 30 from 5:30-8 pm. We look forward to meeting you!
- Mrs. Jamel Jernigan, 9th Grade Administrator
GO WARRIORS!!!!

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT IMPORTANT DATES

FRESHMEN EVENT—Early Entry
Thursday, Aug. 30 from 7:30-11:30 am beginning in the Auditorium

FRESHMEN—Orientation
Thursday, Aug. 30 from 5:30-8:00 pm begins in Auditorium

UPPER CLASSMEN—Back to School Night
Thursday, Sept. 13 from 5:30-8:00 pm begins in Auditorium

NOTE: SCHOOL IDs: You will be using your school ID from last year.
If misplaced ID, we can give another one on this evening.
If not attending, a new ID will be issued at beginning of school year

Before Sept. 30 the ID will be replaced free of charge.
Beginning Oct. 1 there is a $5.00 replacement fee
Remember, accountability is a sign of maturity!!!

Creating 21st century globally competitive leaders...

We are happy to share that this school year all of our students will receive an HP laptop to use in both school and at home. All WHS parents/guardians and students are required to view a presentation. In addition to the required presentation, a device agreement must be signed by all parents/guardians and students prior to distribution. Information with dates, times and location to view the required presentation will be sent home the first week of school. Lastly, a BCPS student ID is also required to obtain a device. If your student has misplaced or lost their ID, they must stop by the main office to receive a replacement.

There is a $5.00 replacement fee

Helping YOU achieve your academic goals!
Welcome Back Warriors, I’m excited to be joining you this year as the new School Counseling Department Chair. We have several new faces joining us, including a new college counselor! As the Class of 2020 School Counselor, we have a lot to look forward to this year. You can expect to see me on the sidelines cheering you on at sporting events, in the auditorium for your performances, and in the classroom cheering you on as you reach your personal goals. Please stop by and introduce yourself to me so I can start to learn all of your names and your interests!

~ Ms. Amy Horvitz (School Counseling DC and Grade 11 counselor)

Amy Horvitz, M. Ed.

Please be sure to contact the School Counseling Office at 410-887-1311 to ensure there are no enrollment issues with your student.

Incoming 9th graders that did not recertify residency at the middle school level HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN.

NOTE: FAMILIES THAT DID NOT RENEW THEIR SHARED DOMICILE PAPERWORK HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN.

If you have any questions, please contact:
Ms. Horwitz (Dept. Chair)
Phone: (410) 887-1311 OR 1312
Fax (410) 298-5360 / ahorvitz@bcps.org

Guidance Secretary: Ms. Law (rlaw@bcps.org)
Records Secretary: Ms. York (dyork3@bcps.org)

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WOODLAWN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

FALL SPORTS SIGN-UP 2018-19—ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY AT:

formreleaf.com/organizations/Woodlawn-high-school

Hand deliver a completed current physical exam asap to the coach for the sport your trying out for, signed & dated by a licensed physician.

**GYM UNIFORMS: Plain White Shirts and Black shorts**

Please welcome our new Athletic Director—Mr. Michael Foxwell

The Physical Education Dept. would like to welcome you to an outstanding 2018-19 school year. Our expectations are high and we are planning for a promising and exciting year. All incoming 9th grade will be enrolled in and must pass the BCPS physical education graduation, which is a required one credit course. Fitness Foundations/Fitness Mastery. After passing FF/FM you can elect to take Weight Training and/or Team Elective. Students entering 11th or 12th grade will take their 1/2 credit in Health Education.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

We hope everyone has had a wonderful rejuvenating summer! We are available to answer any questions or assist you with any concerns that you may have. We look forward to working with you and your student to ensure he/she has an optimal high school experience.

Contact Information
Phone Number: 410-887-1317 / Fax Number: 410-887-1324

Department Leaders
Harry Escarge, Spec. Ed. Dept. Chair
Jeanette Brown, IEP Dept. Chair
Diana Wilkens, IEP Dept. Chair
**What is AVID?**  
THE HISTORY OF AVID- Starting in 1980, from one classroom of 32 students to serving nearly 2 million students today, AVID has made the dream of college a reality for countless individuals. AVID is implemented in more than 6,400 schools in 47 states across the U.S., plus schools in Department of Defense Education, Canada, and Australia. AVID impacts nearly 2 million students in grades K–12 and 50 postsecondary institutions.

AVID, which stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination, is a (nationally accredited) college readiness program designed to help students develop the skills they need to be successful in college. The program places special emphasis on growing writing, critical thinking, teamwork, organization and reading skills. With the objective to close the opportunity gap (middle-of-the-road students), so students are prepared for college, careers, and life.

AVID is an ELECTIVE Course where students receive the additional academic, social, and emotional support that will help them succeed in their school’s most rigorous courses. Since the class is an elective, they may miss out on taking a band or yearbook class, but the goal is they will develop a variety of interests and learn important study and time management skills. They can then practice those skills in the challenging courses, such as honors and Advanced Placement classes that is a requirement in the AVID programs. AVID fosters a safe, open culture, high expectations for teachers and students, and collaboration in all classrooms.

AVID is not just another program. At its heart, AVID is a philosophy.

AVID holds students accountable to the highest standards, provide academic and social support, and they will rise to the challenge.

AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is an in-school academic support program for 9th – 12th grade students. The program focuses on instructional strategies that will prepare AVID students for success in college and beyond! Woodlawn’s AVID program is one of the largest, most successful programs in the county.

AVID Teaches skills and behaviors for academic success  
Provides intensive support with tutorials and strong student/teacher relationships  
Creates a positive peer group for students  
Develops a sense of hope for personal achievement gained through hard work and determination

So, if you are looking to GROW. Looking to be CHALLENGED. Looking for GUIDANCE. Join our AVID Family. To get the ball rolling, please fill out this AVID Application and give to your guidance counselor–ASAP.

**Enrollment in AVID class is limited.**

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PTSA helps to oversee the needs and development of the school. PTSA Membership dues are $10 for parents and $6 for students per year. Remember, PTSA depends on your annual voluntary donations in order to keep all sorts of wonderful things happening for the students at Woodlawn High School. Please fill out the attached envelope and make your check payable to PTSA of Woodlawn High School and return it to your child’s teacher. If you have more than one child at this school, please list all your children's names and classes on one envelope.

The class with the highest participation will not only enjoy an ice cream party, but the teacher will also receive a gift certificate for $25 to an educational store of his/her choice. The PTSA welcomes you to join our meetings to raise your concerns, contribute your ideas and talents to better our school. Our meetings are generally held on the first Monday of each month at 5:30-7:30pm in the MPR (Multi-Purpose Room). Please be advised that the date and times are subject to change with notification. All meeting dates and activities will be posted regularly on our PTSA school bulletin board and our school newsletter.

100% membership means everybody wins!

For more info., please contact. Mr. Ramsey (PTA President) at tau2a77@yahoo.com