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Benjamin Foulois K-8 Performing Arts School

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Dr. Payne's Meet and Greet

Dr. Patricia Payne, new principal of Benjamin Foulois K-8 Performing Arts School will host a **"Meet and Greet" on June 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.** at Benjamin Foulois.

On -site registration will also be available at the meet and greet.

Questions and Answers

Q. Who is the new principal?

A. Dr. Patricia Payne

Q. What are the school's hours?

A. 9:00 a.m. - 3:40 p.m.

Q. Will there be an orientation prior to school opening?

A. Orientation(s) will be held the 3rd week of August 2009 - Dates and time will be posted in a forthcoming newsletter.

Q. Will there be a mandatory uniform policy?

A. No. Benjamin Foulois will not be a uniform school for the 2009-2010 School year. Uniforms may be revisited at the end of the year.

Q. If I have been accepted via audition, when may I register?

A. Parents may call Ms. Melinda McMullin, Registrar, at Thomas Pullen - (301) 808-8160 for an appointment.

Q. Will there be 8th grade the first year of opening?

A. No. Benjamin Foulois will open as a K-7 School and grow into 8th grade the following year. PGCPS is not able operate a full academic grade with less than 20 students.

Q. How many students will be enrolled?

A. There will be 425 students for the 2009-10 school year.

Q. Will the school have a fully-integrated arts program?

A. Yes

Q. Will the school hold student performances the first year?

A. Yes.

Construction Update



Crews are diligently working on the second phase of construction which includes: the first floor classroom wing, the Media Center rooms, and the new Science rooms, Science Prep rooms, ESOL Classroom, Special Education classroom, Kindergarten classrooms, Primary classrooms, and an assistant principal's office.

Part two of the second phase is the demolition of what is now the Boys' Locker Room area, which will become the new Drama rooms, the Scene Shop room, the Green Room, and the back part of the Stage area.