



# E-BEACON

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## AACPS Budget Hearings

*Your chance to be heard...*

Tuesday 1/10 and Thursday 1/12

*Superintendent wants to add 62 teaching positions*

*The Superintendent has presented a budget that adds 62 teachers, asking for 986 million dollars, and a 42 million dollar increase over last year.*

*Details are available on the school system website [aacps.org](http://aacps.org). Public Hearings are Tuesday 7pm at Old Mill HS, or Thursday, 7pm at the Parham Building, Riva Rd., BOE Hearing room. It is recommended to sign up early to testify. Sign up as early as 6pm.*

*I encourage you to come out and make your funding concerns known to the school board.*

## Founders Day Volunteer Awards and Recognition Dinner

*Your unit may qualify for an Award already!*

*Nominate your favorite Principal or Teacher for Principal or Teacher of the Year. We will award our Scholarships that evening as well. New this Year Highest Staff sign up award, Staff member of the year and best Idea of 2012. It will be held on Friday April 13<sup>th</sup> and costs just \$30 per person and features a cash bar and Silent Auction, application deadline is March 10<sup>th</sup>. So look for the packet attached to this email and snail mailed to your unit President via basket mail next week, you can scan and email your applications and reservations this year to help save some paper, still have to mail the check to Pam! See the packet attached for details, questions email us at [aaccpta@comcast.net](mailto:aaccpta@comcast.net)*

### *Is Your Unit OK? Are you a Unit in Good Standing?*

**A recent look at records at the Maryland PTA office showed many units with outstanding issues.**

**It could be that you haven't sent in dues payments, or copies of 990 filings, and audits. Some are showing issues with your Articles of Incorporation. There are even a few whose Bylaws are in need of renewal (every 3 years).**

**Only 20 of our 84 units are 100% so please take a look and contact us we are here to help!**

**Any Questions  
Contact us at**

[aaccpta@comcast.net](mailto:aaccpta@comcast.net)

# Scholarship Applications Available for Qualified Seniors

*Do you know a senior who may qualify?*

*The Anne Arundel County Council of PTAs offers two \$1000.00 scholarships.*

*One is the Kenneth Lawson scholarship which is awarded to the high school graduate who is planning to pursue a career in education and the other is the Phoebe Apperson Hearst scholarship, to the high school graduate who is planning a career in any subject (other than education) and/or private trade or technical institute.*

*This scholarship program was created by our organization to honor students who have had both academic success and have shown leadership in the school community. The awards are to be used by students toward tuition and books at the institution of higher education (community colleges, four-year colleges or universities, and private trade and technical institutions) of their choice. Monies will be paid directly to the institution. This is being offered as a one-time nonrenewable scholarship.*

*An applicant for this scholarship must meet the following qualifications:*

- *Must be a resident of Anne Arundel County*
- *Must be a graduating senior of a public high school in Anne Arundel County*
- *Must plan to attend an institution of higher learning*
- *Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (grades 9-12)*
- *Must complete the required responses to all the given statements included in this application*
- *Must have the endorsement of a local **PTA/PTSA** unit*

## Anne Arundel County Council of PTA's General Meeting

*January 30<sup>th</sup> 7pm at the Board of Ed on Riva Rd.*

*We will have a short presentation on Advocacy, how to contact and advocate for your school at all levels of state and county government.*

**Speaking of Advocacy...**

## PTA Legislative Night in Annapolis

*February 21<sup>st</sup> 6-8pm*

*Details are attached...see PTA Night Flyer*



# *Dates to Remember*

- ✓ *1/10 7 pm AACPS Budget Hearing @ Old Mill HS, Millersville*
- ✓ *1/12 7pm AACPS Budget Hearing @ Parham Bldg. Riva Rd., Annapolis*
- ✓ *1/18 7pm AACPS Board of Education Meeting @ Parham Bldg. Riva Rd., Annapolis*
- ✓ *1/24 6pm Budget Workshop @ Parham Bldg. Riva Rd., Annapolis*
- ✓ *1/30 AACCPA General Meeting 7pm*
- ✓ *2/1 10am AACPS Board of Education Meeting @ Parham Bldg. Riva Rd., Annapolis*
- ✓ *2/15 10am AACPS Board of Education Meeting @ Parham Bldg. Riva Rd., Annapolis(adoption of next years budget request)*
- ✓ *2/15 Deadline for Scholarship submissions*
- ✓ *2/21 Anne Arundel County Council of PTA's Legislative Night*
- ✓ *3/10 Deadline to register for Awards for Founders Day*
- ✓ *4/13 Founders Day Volunteer Awards and Recognition Dinner 6pm Michaels 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue*