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(#26679). The Saturday School is a non-profit, 501 (c)(3) organization. Every contribution is appreciated. Thank you! to make a credit card donation, or donate through the United Way (#8291) or the Combined Federal Campaign If you would like to help, please send your tax-deductible donation to the address above, donate online, call the office HELP THE SATURDAY SCHOOL CONTINUE TO THRIVE! Support from the community is critical for the program to continue.

The mission of Saturday School is to enhance student mastery of core academic subjects-specifically reading, language arts and mathematics-to prepare students for the challenges of college and careers. Saturday School is a low-cost tutoring and mentoring program that helps Montgomery County students in grades 1 through 12 prepare for college and the workplace through small group instruction with certified teachers. Saturday School curriculum is aligned with that of Montgomery County Public Schools. Parents can register children in Saturday School at any point throughout the school year.

## **12 LOCATIONS**

**Blair High School Einstein High School Gaithersburg High School Kennedy High School Magruder High School Northwest High School** Paint Branch High School **Rockville High School** Sherwood High School Springbrook High School Watkins Mill High School Wheaton High School @ Loiederman Middle School



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## THE TYPICAL SATURDAY SCHOOL DAY

Each Saturday begins with an opening session which sets a tone of high expectations for students. To foster high self-esteem and confidence, the Saturday School slogan, *"I believe in me!"* is reinforced in a variety of ways. After the motivational session, students in Grades 1 through 8 break into small, grade-level tutoring groups for 60 minutes of academic support in reading/language arts and 60 minutes in mathematics. High school students work with tutors on specific concepts or course assignments for the entire tutoring session—often in computer labs. Each Saturday School is led by a Center Director, an experienced educational professional, with each classroom staffed by a certified teacher and trained volunteers.

## **30 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

Saturday School is the oldest and largest tutoring and mentoring program in Montgomery County, Maryland. Members of the Mu Nu Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, an international Black fraternity founded at Howard University, launched Saturday School in 1986 to assist students who need additional academic support.

#### From the Parent of a Saturday School Student:

I want to take a minute to tell you how much we are benefitting from Saturday School at Watkins Mill High School. My daughter is a sophomore, and aspires to be an engineer. The problem is that she isn't strong in math! She has a non-traditional (kinesthetic) learning style, which will make her an outstanding engineer, but causes her to struggle in the traditional classroom. We were concerned about her ability to make satisfactory math grades before we found Saturday School and met Nikki Mehta, who works with my daughter in Geometry.

My daughter is benefitting from all the subjects offered in Saturday School, not just math. Everyone at Saturday School has been very welcoming and helpful. The unhurried and encouraging atmosphere is as much a key to the students' success as the educational opportunities offered. Thank you again for your dedication to education which provides this rich opportunity for the students to be successful through the Saturday School program.



## THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE

Saturday School's twelve centers are located in the areas of Montgomery County with the greatest need—communities that are home to minority children whose families are challenged by poverty and may be learning English as a second language. Saturday School provides academic support and enrichment to reinforce and accelerate learning. The welcoming environment and the caring and dedicated teachers and staff of Saturday

School help students achieve their academic goals and increase confidence in their academic abilities.

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Scholarships are offered to students at all Saturday School Centers through an application process. **Support in Advanced Placement (AP) Biology, Chemistry and Physics** is available at the Wheaton

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AT SATURDAY SCHOOL

Center @ Loiederman Middle School. Students receive additional support from teachers and college

Aristotle Circle Peer Tutors (AC Peer Tutors) Math Support is offered for middle and high school

students at all Saturday School Centers. Individualized support in math—Pre-Algebra through AP

Calculus—is provided. AC Peer Tutors matches high-achieving local high school students who are

**The High Achievement Scholarship Program** awards scholarships to seniors who evidence high academic achievement and who have provided consistent, quality service to the Learning Academy.



tutors in AP science courses.

carefully screened to serve as tutors and role models for their peers.

**Science, Engineering, Technology and Math (STEM)** is incorporated into the curriculum of all grade level program at the Paint Branch Saturday School Center.

**SAT/ACT Support** is offered as a component of Saturday School at the Blair and Northwest Centers. AC Peer Tutors also offers ACT/SAT prep for an additional fee at the Einstein, Gaithersburg, Northwest and Rockville Centers.