

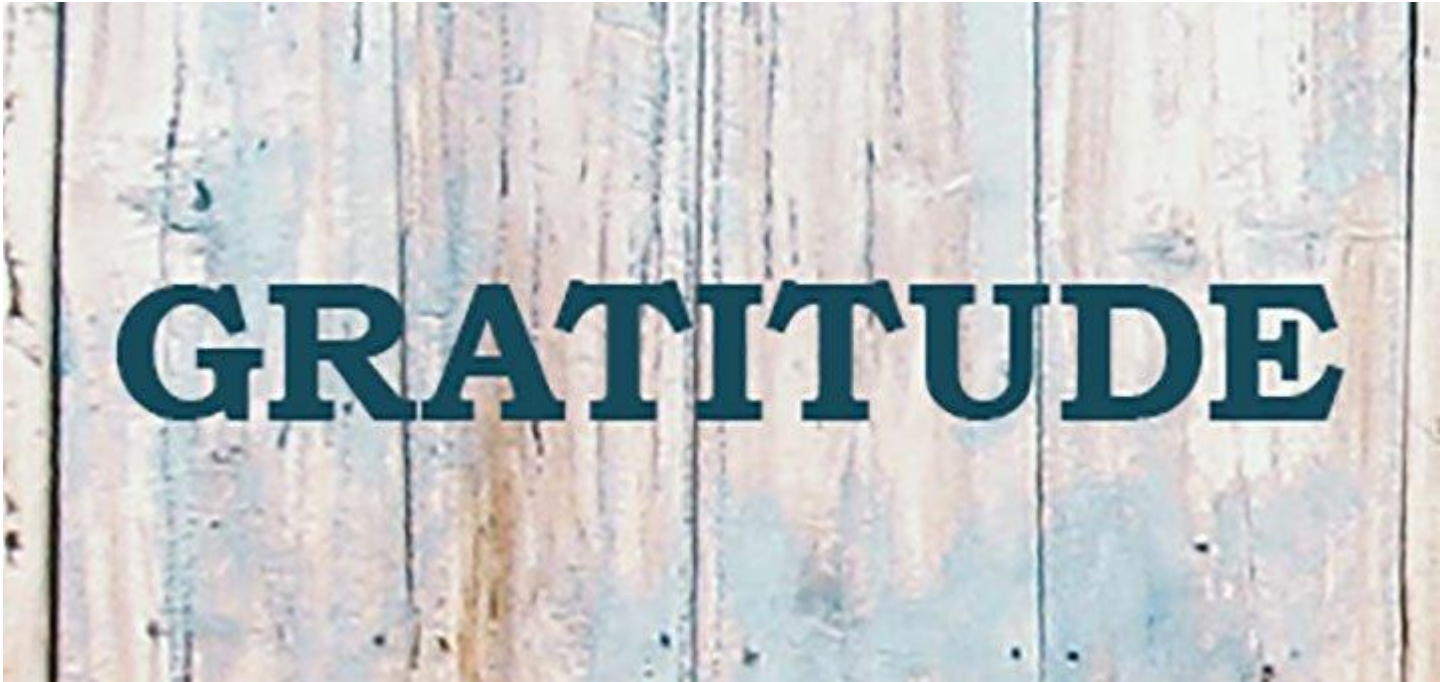
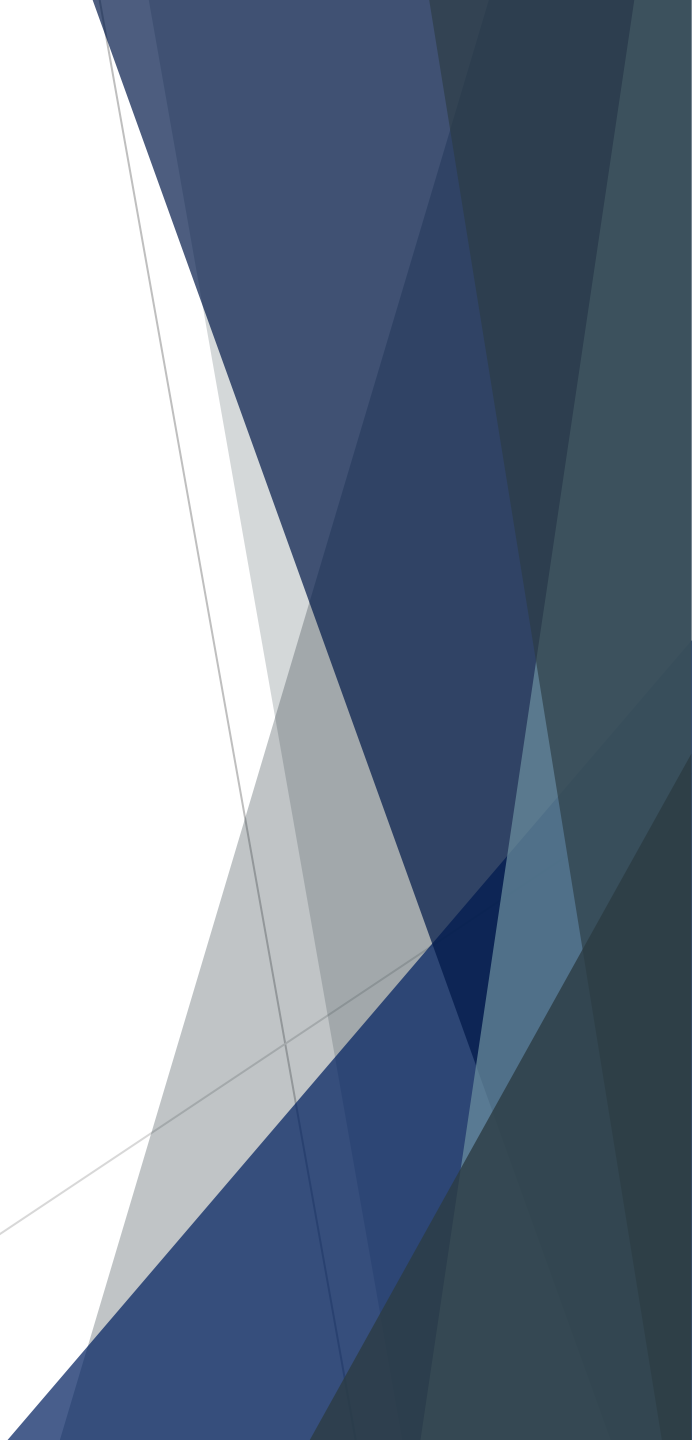


Year At A Glance

School Club

June 2025 - June 2026

Dr. Darryl L. Williams
Secretary



GRATITUDE

Executive Board 2024-2026



Thank you for your service.

President Anita Berger, Vice-President Mark King,
Parliamentarian Maria Tukeva, Treasurer Tony Upson, and
Secretary Darryl Williams

New Executive Board 2026-2028



President Anita Berger, Vice-President Mark King,
Parliamentarian Tenia Pritchard-Dawkins, Treasurer Tony Upson, and
Secretary Darryl Williams

New Members As of Dec 2025

Dr. Eric Bethel
Instructional
Superintendent
DC Public Schools



Mr. Rodney Wormsley,
Principal of Luke C.
Moore High School
DC Public Schools



Emeritus Members



Dr. Andrew Jenkins served as the Superintendent of the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) from 1988 to 1991.



Mike Durso served the School Club for 38 years and served as a HS Principal in DMV and School Board President.

Recognition - Message 2025

June 2025 Scholarship Luncheon

Angela Alsobrooks

U.S. Senator for Maryland

Former Prince George's
County Executive



Recognition - Message 2026

June 2026 Scholarship Luncheon

Dr. Shawn Joseph

Superintendent

Prince George's County
Schools



Annual Luncheon Committee



PROGRAM/DINNER LUNCHEON

- ▶ Tony Upson - Acting Chair
- ▶ Anita Berger
- ▶ Harold McCray
- ▶ William Blake
- ▶ Maria Tukeva
- ▶ Mark King
- ▶ Reginald Ballard
- ▶ Jeffrey Holmes
- ▶ Natalie Hubbard
- ▶ John Word

The School Club

Purpose



The purpose of the School Club is to provide a platform for

- (1) the professional enrichment and advancement of its members, and
- (2) the promotion of educational and professional discussion among its members through the presentation of professional papers and lectures as a part of each club meeting.

Guest Speaker 2025-2026

October Meeting

Councilwoman Janeese Lewis George

- Councilwoman Lewis George shared that she is working on legislation to focus on conflict resolution at every grade level. She references Peace Studies Class which includes how the brain works.
- There is 211 - warm line; not to call 911 to get services for kids. Parents can call and get support - Get help before they get into trouble. This “211” was permanent in February of this year.



Guest Speaker 2025-2026

November Meeting

Matthew Furmin

Ward 3 DC Councilman

Councilman Furmin formed a citywide organization modeled after Parents United to strengthen public schools. This coalition of DCPS stakeholders and communities drafted a set of principles—now a decade old—designed to protect and elevate the District’s matter-of-right neighborhood school system.



Guest Speaker 2025-2026

December Meeting

Dr. Maurice D. Edington, President
of the University of the District of
Columbia

Dr. Edington welcomed School Club members to UDC and shared his priorities. He discussed dual enrollment and plans for the new School of Education, with a focus on urban education. Dr. Edington answered questions on various topics such as Artificial Intelligence, School of Education offerings and college readiness.



Leadership Conference in March 2026



- ▶ The second Leadership Empowerment Conference involved leaders from districts across the region focusing on
 - ▶ Career Paths,
 - ▶ Financial Planning
 - ▶ Self-Care
 - ▶ Entrepreneurship.

Amenities: Supporting Each Other In Time of Need

- This committee supported three School Club Members and family member during 2025-2026 year.



School Club Sponsorship

April 2026

Morgan State University
Black Male Initiative and
Open House sponsored by
the Department of Teacher
Ed and Professional
Development and the School
Club of DC.
300 Middle School students
from DCPS, PGCPs, MCPS,
and BCPSS.



Good News: Celebrations



Dr. Mark King's book, *The Middle School Master*, was published on Sept 5. and the book is available on Amazon.



Dr. Darryl Williams received a promotion at Morgan State University as the Interim Assistant Chair for Administration (Dept Chair) of the Teacher Education and Professional Development Department.



Dr. Harold McCray announced his first graduating class at Macarthur High School recently renamed as John Robert Thompson Jr. High School and had their first; senior pinning ceremony and graduation.



Dr. Eric Minus transitioned to PGCPs as a new Instructional Director of Innovation and Performance. He later was promoted to Associate Superintendent of Middle Schools.



Dr. Jeffrey Holmes had an outstanding parent/community meeting at his school as he is serving as the new principal of Johnson Middle School.

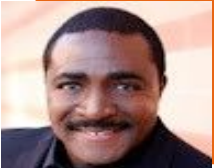
Good News: Celebrations



Dr. Mark King shared that his daughter was a Senate Page in Annapolis and attended the redistricting debate in Maryland.



Dr. John Word served on the dissertation defense committee for Sah Brown. Congratulations to Dr. Sah Brown! His dissertation study focused on authentic leadership of urban school principals.



Dr. John Word was recognized for his leadership and coordination of this year's leadership conference.



Dr. Darryl Williams was recognized for Morgan's Open House and Black Male Initiative sponsored by the Department of Teacher Education and Professional Development.



Mr. Wormsley shared that his school and central office are in discussions to finalize a pilot program that will serve and support rising 9th graders who are 16 and 17 years old.

Good News Celebrations



Dr. Mark King presented at several conferences including the BOND Academy and NABSE.



Dr. Frazier O'Leary teaches at UDC non-fiction and he assigned a project to his students on current politics and DC and African American history.



President Anita Berger announced that her 2025 senior class received over \$109 million dollars in scholarships. There were 104 graduates.



Dr. Sah Brown was recently appointed as Instructional Superintendent in DCPS after serving as the principal of Jackson-Reed High School since 2022..

Good News Celebrations



Former Member, Dr. Sito Narcisse, was appointed Chief of Schools, Denver Public Schools.



Dr. Tenia Pritchard-Dawkins successfully completed the Urban Superintendent Academy – AASA.



Dr. Eric Bethel successfully completed the Transcend Superintendent Fellowship Cohort

2026 Scholarship

Ritza Ferufino

Andrew E. Jenkins, III
Scholarship Recipient
University of the District of
Columbia



2026 Scholarship



Iris T. Gonzales
Vincent E. Reed Scholarship
Recipient
Bowie State University



One-time SCHOLARSHIP winners at Bowie State University



- ▶ Ninsy Arias Enamorado, an applicant for the 1st Vincent E. Reed School Club Scholarship
- ▶ She received a one-time gift of \$1,000.00.
- ▶ Brianna Smith, an applicant for the 1st Vincent E. Reed School Club Scholarship
- ▶ She received a one-time gift of \$1,000.00.



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ONE HUNDRETH AND NINETEENTH
ANNIVERSARY AT A LUNCHEON WITH

The School Club

MARTIN'S CROSSWINDS

SATURDAY JUNE 27, 2026

12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

7400 Greenway Center Drive
Greenbelt, MD 20770



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