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Dear Parents and Students:

Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) is implementing a One-card identification system for all students and staff. During the first week of school, all students will be issued a One-card that is coordinated with our school colors in a holder with a safety lanyard. Elementary level students will keep their one-cards in school (during this initial phase). They will wear them once they arrive at school and remove them before leaving. Middle and high school students will be responsible for wearing their cards on a daily basis and will take them home at the end of each day. The One-card identification system is one more step in improving security for students and staff.

The One-card not only identifies who belongs in the school, but also has many other functions. It will be used by students for checking out library materials, and, in the near future, the identification card will be used to take students' attendance at schools that currently do not have this function (high schools-late in the first quarter, middle schools-second quarter, and elementary schools -second semester). Also in the future, students will use their One-card to record when getting on and off of the school bus.

The One-card will help to improve students' safety and accountability in BCPS. One-card student identification cards are the property of the school. If a student loses or misplaces his or her One-card, a permanent replacement card will be issued for a fee of \$5. If the student does not have the replacement fee at the time the replacement card is provided, an obligation for the replacement amount of \$5 will be issued. Students who do not bring their One-card to school will be charged \$1 for a temporary replacement card for that day only. Obligations should be settled quarterly.

All students and staff are required to wear their One-card at all times unless there is a safety issue, such as during recess and physical education class. This is not an optional program. Please remind students to wear their identification cards daily. If there are any questions please contact Dr. Marquis Dwarte at 410-887-5241.

Sincerely,

Dr. Marquis Dwarte
Principal

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