Arlington School Board Meeting

March 26, 2026

Arlington Public Schools

Every Student Counts:
Year of Empowered AI Learning

EVERY STUDENT COUNTS
EXCELLENCE FOR ALL



This week's Every Student Counts video highlights the foundational steps APS took to prepare teachers and staff for safe, responsible exploration of Artificial Intelligence for teaching and learning.

APS AI Education Panel

Tue, April 7, 2026

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Wakefield High School Auditorium

Register: bit.ly/40Q3ABT



Thank You! *Your Voice Matters* Survey Complete

The 2026 Your Voice Matters Survey concluded on **Fri, March 20** and we received nearly 25,000 responses.



- Students - 15,004 (81%) (+10% from 2025)
- Staff - 3,755 (48%) (-3% from 2025)
- Families - 5,167 (-269 from 2025)

Highlights:

- Top School – Cardinal Elementary **(96%)**
- Top Department – Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and Student Support **(100%)**

Results and Key Takeaways will be Released in May

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Upcoming Dates and April Recognitions

Calendar Reminders:

- March 30-April 3 – Spring Break
- April 10 – End of 3rd Quarter
- April 13 – Grade Prep Day, No School for Students

April Recognitions:

- Arab American Heritage Month
- National School Library Month
- National Occupational Therapy Month
- Month of the Military Child – Purple Up Day (April 15)
- National Volunteer Month
- National Assistant Principal Week (April 6-10)





Services Available During Spring Break

Extended Day

- **Dates**: Mon. March 30 – Fri, April 3
- **Hours**: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
  - (*4 p.m. - 6 p.m. is an additional fee*)

Welcome Center – In-Person or Phone Support

- Mon, March 30 & Tue, March 31
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Human Resources – Phone Support

- Mon. March 30 – Fri, April 3
- 8 a.m. -12 p.m. and 1p.m. to 3 p.m.
- **703-228-2726**



Transgender Youth Quilt Project: *Unveiling on April 8*

Division-wide quilt project unifies youth from multiple schools to promote student safety and belonging.

- Student-created quilt squares from multiple schools and age groups
- Community assembly: high turnout and positive support
- Over 50 Arlington youth participated
- Unveiling will be held at the Central Library, April 8, 6:15 p.m.
- Key student leaders from Kenmore, Jefferson, W-L, Wakefield, Yorktown



APS Announces Employees of the Year

BRIGHT SPOTS

Last Friday, APS surprised the five Division-wide Employee of the Year honorees and announced the school-based Teachers and Support Employees of the Year



Michelle McCarthy
Principal,
Jamestown



Tamika Shivers
Assistant Principal,
Washington-Liberty



Amy Maclosky
Director,
Food & Nutrition Services



Robin Stewart
Teacher,
Kenmore



Engelberto Zamora
Maintenance Supervisor,
Williamsburg

Congratulations!