I can't believe it is the month of February of the 2021 year. I trust the virtual world is coming together for our students, and soon we will be returning to school via hybrid. Please stay tuned to hear from our school superintendent.

In the meantime, if you have any children that will be approaching kindergarten in the fall, now you can register your child. To register your child for kindergarten, the website is <https://www.apsva.us/registering-your-child/online-registration/>. You have until April 15, 2021, to submit your application. Please contact our school register, Donleigh Zaleski, for more information.

Beginning Wed, February 3, families picking up meals at the Career Center will use Door #13 located near the playground facing Highland St. Enter the school from Highland St, turn left to park next to the relocatable, and walk to Door #13 to pick meals. The pick-up hours are 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Arlington County has opened two no-cost testing kiosks in the parking lot of Aurora Hills Community Center, 735 18th St., S., and Tucker Field at Barcroft Park, 4200 S. Four Mile Run Dr. Both will be open seven days a week, 12–8 pm. The mouth-swab tests do not require a doctor's referral, insurance, or government ID. Walk-up testing is available, but an appointment is recommended at <https://curative.com> Service available in English and Spanish. The results will be sent to you electronically within 48-72 hours.

During inclement weather, distance learning will continue providing there is no interruption in power or network connectivity. If schools and facilities need to close due to weather, Level 1 students attending school in-person will temporarily return to distance learning.

APS has a Family Technology Call Center, 703-228-2570, to call to get help with Internet access. Hours are 7 am - 9 pm Monday through Thursday, 7 am - 6 pm on Friday. Support is available in English and Spanish. You can also report a problem to your school ITC by filling out a form at https://www.apsva.us/digital-learning/contact-itc/. For more info on how to set up and use devices, see <https://www.apsva.us/school-year-2020-21/technical-support/>.

APS is paying for up to 12 months of Comcast Internet Essentials service for qualified families. If you have previously applied for this Internet service and been denied, APS encourages you to reapply because restrictions on who can be eligible have been loosened. Call your child's school to get a sponsorship code. If you can't reach anyone, leave a voicemail with your name and contact info and ask for a callback.

Arlington County has 19 locations with free outdoors WiFi hotspots where you can access the Internet. Check here https://my.arlingtonva.us/digitalresources?WiFi=true&DriveWiFi=true to find out where they are.

Lastly, If you have any concerns that you would like to discuss with me regarding your child, please do not hesitate to call me on my cell at 571-317-5228 between 8:30 to 3:30 pm. You can also email me at delia.dowd@apsva.us, or you can schedule an appointment to meet with me. My work hours are as followed: Mondays through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.