

# Montgomery County School Health Council

## December 9th, 2024 Meeting Minutes

- 6:30 - Introductions by Carey Dwyer. Hybrid meetings continue.
- 6:40 - Review and approval of September 9th, 2024 meeting minutes
- 6:45 – Beka Urgessa, Senior Administrator of School Health Services (SHS)
  - Ongoing recruitment of School Health Community Nurses (SCHNs) and School Health Room Technicians, creation of new SCHN positions, working closely with DHHS HR to onboard personnel faster
- 6:50 – Sean O'Donnell, Deputy Chief, Public Health, Montgomery County DHHS
  - Ongoing efforts to mitigate Respiratory Viruses
  - <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/covid19/respiratory-virus-guidance.html>
- 6:50 – Presentation by Jeanett Peralta, Nurse Administrator, School Health Services
  - Montgomery County School Based Health and Wellness Centers
  - <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/HHS-Program/PHS/SchoolHealth/SchoolBasedHealthCenter.html>
- 7:25 Student Presentation: Human Trafficking Student Organization, Daisy Wong and Maggie Chang, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Richard Montgomery High School
  - [Student Health Council Meeting - Google Slides](#)
- 7:40 – Subcommittee reports and closing remarks
  - Student School Health Council-Rabira Dosho
  - Nomination of new co-chair and filing membership gaps
  - School Health Council Meetings for SY 2024-2025
  - Proposed topics
  - Increasing student involvement

### Participants:

Carey Dwyer, Nurse Manager, SHS, Dr. Cara Grant, Supervisor, MCPS physical and health education, Beka Urgessa, Senior Administrator, SHS, Jeanett Peralta, Nurse Administrator, SHS, Kate Hagnar, Nurse Manager, SHS, Sean O' Donnell, Program Administrator for Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response, Montgomery County, DHHS, Laura Mitchell, MCCPTA, Nicolas Greer, Wellness Supervisor, Division of Food and Nutrition Services, MCPS Dr. Kisha Davis, Montgomery County Health Officer, DHHS Tara Clemons, Commission on Health Dr. Sandy Salsberg, Community member, Kayla Suice, Student, Rabira Dosho, Student, Azimullah Rifai, Student, Anshi Purohit, Student Kirsten Andersen, Administrator, Linkages to Learning, Chanel Speaks, Division Director, Youth & Family Services, Everymind, Peter Park, Team Leader, Systemwide Safety Programs · Montgomery County Public Schools