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Nominations for Employee of the Month

Recognizing Mason superstars is an important job and everyone can participate. If you work with an incredible Mason Admin/Prof faculty member, classified staff member, or wage employee who goes the extra mile, collaborates successfully, and supports our students and colleagues, please nominate them for Mason's Employee of the Month award. Additional information can be found at <http://hr.gmu.edu/awards/eotm.php>.

Parenting Help with Screen Time: Finding the Right Balance for Your Child

Technology has changed our lives, and it is here to stay. Many parents are struggling with finding the right balance of screen time for their children. With seemingly "everyone" on an iPad, iPhone, computer, or other device, it's becoming increasingly difficult to say no to children who want to pick up something electronic. What if the screen time is educational? What are some programs you can use to limit screen time without a fight from your child? How can you allow your child to have some screen time without becoming dependent upon it? This presentation will provide answers to these questions and more—as well as provide helpful information to find that "just right" screen time balance. Join Charlotte Foster of the Westminster School on Wednesday, December 7 at noon. Videoconferenced to SciTech with availability to connect from Arlington. To register, please visit <http://hr.gmu.edu/learning/hr.php>.

- **Westminster School/George Mason Collaboration Merit Scholarship**

In a spirit of collaboration with George Mason University, Westminster School is offering a scholarship opportunity to the children/grandchildren of Mason faculty and staff. The renewable Merit Scholarship is in the amount of \$8,000 per year, and is open to new students entering grades 3 – 7. Westminster School is an independent school located in Annandale, VA just minutes from the beltway. Applications are now being accepted for the academic year beginning Fall 2017. To find out more about this opportunity, please visit <http://www.westminsterschool.com/library/westminster-and-george-mason-university-collaboration.cfm>.

Faculty/Staff and Retirees (FSR) Appreciation Night at Mason Basketball

Faculty/Staff and Retirees Appreciation Night presented by Apple Federal Credit Union will be held on Monday, December 12 when the men's basketball team faces Longwood at 7:00pm. All full-time faculty/staff and retirees can request up to four (4) complimentary tickets to the game. All requests must be submitted on line at GoMason. The deadline to request tickets is Thursday, December 8. Go Patriots!

Registration is Open: Mason Kids Club

Mason Kids Club will be available for elementary school age children in Merten Hall on multiple dates throughout the year. Similar to our Spring Break camp and Bridge camp programs, the Club will be filled with fun activities for your child to enjoy! The Club kicks off on December 19th, 20th and 21st from 8:00am to 5:00pm and runs through April 17, 2017 (and includes Fairfax County Spring Break). For more information on additional dates and fees, please visit <http://hr.gmu.edu> or contact Tina Morris at tmorris1@gmu.edu or 703-993-5807. To register, please visit <https://www.regonline.com/masonkidsclub>.

Early-Bird Registration Open! Leading to Well-Being Conference 2017

When/Where: April 6-8, 2017, Fairview Park Marriott, Falls Church, VA

Early-bird registration is now open for the 2017 Leading to Well-Being Conference co-sponsored by MasonLeads & the Center for the Advancement of Well-Being. This year's keynote speakers include **Dr. David Rock & Arianna Huffington**. *There are a limited number of discounted Mason employees tickets available for the Friday Conference.*

This year's conference features three days of programming (tickets for each sold separately):

- Thursday Leadership Intensives
- Friday Conference on Building Resilient Organizations (new, more flexible format)
- Saturday Conference on Contemplative Practices for 21st Century Higher Education (co-convened by nine major mid-Atlantic institutions of higher education)

Learn more & register at: leadingtowellbeing.gmu.edu

From Our Colleagues in University Libraries:



Conflict & Civil Rights: Online Resources

Explore the history of struggle, injustice, conflict and change in North America. Step back in time using these searchable archives provided by Mason Libraries: [American Indian Movement and Native American Radicalism](#), [ProQuest History Vault: Civil Rights and the Black Freedom Struggle](#); and [Women & Social Movements in the U.S.](#) For more information on these highlighted topics, search the [subject guides](#), [database list](#) or contact a [subject librarian](#). Free access for Mason faculty, students, and staff – just use your Mason NetID and password.