



- Week of July 21, 2023

Happy Friday neighbors! I'm grateful you have taken the time to read my column. While there is not much to report on in Jefferson City with all the business of the 2023 legislative session coming to a close with the governor's signatures, I have several community events to share. Please post these images on your social media channels so we can reach as many people as possible. I look forward to visiting with you and listening to your concerns and ideas for our community, starting tomorrow at the 10th Annual Mental Health Awareness Event, "Brunch with Bebe's Sisters."

SENATOR BARBARA ANNE WASHINGTON, ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.\* MU OMEGA CHAPTER & BETA OMEGA CHAPTER, AND METROPOLITAN LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE PRESENT

10<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS EVENT

**"Brunch With Bebe's Sisters"**

**SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2023, 9:30 A.M.**  
**MCC-PENN VALLEY EDUCATION CENTER**  
 3201 SW TRAFFICWAY, KANSAS CITY, MO 64111

FEATURING A PANEL DISCUSSION:  
**MATERNAL HEALTH**  
 WITH DOULAS, MIDWIVES & HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

COMMUNITY PARTNERS:

home state health. MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL TOTAL WELL university health

## **MAJOR Grants Program Now Accepting Applications**

Another opportunity to support mental health is participating in the Missouri Humanities Mental Health MAJOR Grants program. Nonprofit, civic, educational and cultural organizations may apply for up to \$10,000 in funding to implement a humanities-minded project. The submission deadline is Aug. 1, so visit the website on the image below, call 314-781-9660 or email [clarice@mohumanities.org](mailto:clarice@mohumanities.org) for more information.



## **Come for the Snow, Stay for the Mow**

The Missouri Department of Transportation is now hiring individuals who are interested in a career to “come for the snow, stay for the mow” and keep Missouri’s roadways safe. Click here to see the job postings and find out how to apply. MODOT will be hosting a [Career Fair](#) to recruit full-time maintenance workers at its Lee’s Summit Maintenance Facility on July 26 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 pm. Onsite drug testing, background checks, physicals and potential job offers will be available.

**WeCode/KC**  
Coding A Pipeline of Future-Ready Professionals

LEARN TECH  
HAVE FUN  
BUILD SKILLS

**SUMMER OF CODE**

ALL STUDENTS WHO ATTEND WILL LEARN TECH CONCEPTS IN:

- SCRATCH GAME DESIGN
- ROBLOX STUDIO
- VIRTUAL REALITY
- INTERNET OF THINGS
- BEAT MAKING
- ROBOTICS
- BUILD-A-LAPTOP

MONDAY, JULY 31ST  
THRU  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 4TH  
9AM-4PM DAILY  
\$325 PER STUDENT

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO QUALIFY!

REGISTER @  
**WECODEKC.ORG**

[WECODEKC.ORG](http://WECODEKC.ORG)

**Back-to-School Events**



# LET'S GET READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL!

Saturday, August 5th  
from 10am-3pm

Presented by:  Kansas City Public Schools  
EDUCATION FOUNDATION

KCPSFEST 2023 will be a drive-thru  
BACK TO SCHOOL event at East High School  
(1924 Van Brunt Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64127)

Families will  
receive school  
supplies for  
their students

- ✓ NOTEBOOKS
- ✓ BACKPACKS
- ✓ PENS/PENCILS
- ✓ and MORE

TO REGISTER GO TO:  
[kcpublicschools.org/kcpsfest](https://kcpublicschools.org/kcpsfest)



## MORE SERVICES OFFERED:

- Immunizations
- Dental Exams
- Vision Exams
- Hearing Exams
- Sports Physicals

## KCPS PARTNERS:



KC COUNCILWOMAN - 5TH DISTRICT  
**RYANA PARKS-SHAW**  
PRESENTS  
**4TH ANNUAL  
OPERATION  
BACKPACK**  
**2023**

**SATURDAY,  
AUGUST  
5<sup>TH</sup>** | **11:00 AM  
TO  
3:00 PM** | **SWOPE PARK**  
ENTER AT  
67TH & SWOPE PKWY. | **KCMO  
RESIDENTS  
ONLY**

**A BACK-TO-SCHOOL  
SUPPLY & FOOD GIVEAWAY**  
Backpacks, school supplies, computers,  
tablets, hot spots, books, food boxes,  
feminine products., Covid vaccines  
and much more.

**Senator Washington’s Sponsored Legislation for 2023**

<b>Bill Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status</b>
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 423</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to certification of juveniles for trial as adults.	TAFP in SB 189
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 424</u></a>	Creates new provisions on discriminatory practices relating to hair.	Passed out of committee 4/5.
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 425</u></a>	Authorizes a tax credit for the purchase of certain homes.	Referred to Economic Development
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 433</u></a>	Authorizes a sales tax exemption for feminine hygiene products.	Referred to Economic Development
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 434</u></a>	Authorizes a tax credit for providing services to homeless persons.	Referred to Governmental Accountability
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 435</u></a>	Creates a Text-to-Donate program for homeless services in certain cities.	Referred to Governmental Accountability

<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 437</u></a>	Authorizes a tax credit for providing housing to victims of domestic violence.	Referred to Governmental Accountability
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 438</u></a>	Creates a pilot program for incarcerated mothers to have access to their children.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 439</u></a>	Creates the offense of unlawful possession of a handgun.	Referred to Transportation
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 440</u></a>	Establishes the “Cronkite New Voices Act” to protect the freedom of press in school-sponsored media.	Placed on perfection calendar.
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 441</u></a>	Creates provisions relating to firearms.	Referred to Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 442</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to concealed firearms.	Referred to Transportation
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 443</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to medical marijuana program participants in family court matters.	Hearing conducted 4/5.
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 444</u></a>	Creates provisions relating to reporting requirements of law enforcement agencies.	Referred to Transportation
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 445</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to use of force by law enforcement officers.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 446</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to restitution for individuals who are actually innocent.	Referred to Judiciary, combined with SB 253
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 447</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to criminal records.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 531</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to expungement.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 561</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to earned discharge from probation.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 562</u></a>	Creates new provisions relating to state contracts for minority and women’s business enterprises.	Referred to Governmental Accountability
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 563</u></a>	Creates a DWI diversion program.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 579</u></a>	Modifies the Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review Board.	Hearing conducted 4/12
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 580</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development.	Referred to Education and Workforce Development
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 581</u></a>	Creates provisions relating to parole eligibility.	Referred to Judiciary

<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 582</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to terms of probation.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 583</u></a>	Authorizes a tax credit for the purchase of electric vehicles.	Referred to Economic Development
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 641</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to the certification of juveniles for trial as adults.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 643</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to offenses against employees of election authorities.	Referred to Local Government
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 675</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to legal representation for certain court proceedings involving children.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 676</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to the offense of filing false documents.	Referred to Judiciary
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 713</u></a>	Enacts provisions relating to health insurance coverage of maternity services.	Referred to Insurance and Banking
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 714</u></a>	Establishes standards for demographic data collection by certain entities.	Referred to Health and Welfare
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 715</u></a>	Creates a health advocate program in the Department of Health and Senior Services.	Referred to Health and Welfare
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 716</u></a>	Enacts provisions relating to motor vehicle sales tax payment plans.	Referred to Transportation
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 722</u></a>	Modifies provisions relating to tax increment financing.	Referred to Economic Development
<a href="#"><u>Senate Bill 723</u></a>	Relates to voter registration.	Referred to Local Government
<a href="#"><u>Senate Concurrent Resolution 14</u></a>	Apologizes for the State of Missouri's role in slavery.	Referred to Rules
<a href="#"><u>Senate Joint Resolution 36</u></a>	Places limits on increases of the assessment of certain properties.	Referred to General Laws
<a href="#"><u>Senate Joint Resolution 40</u></a>	Exempts from taxation real and personal property of citizens over the age of 65.	Referred to General Laws

*It is an honor representing the great people of Kansas City's 9th Senatorial District. If you need assistance navigating state government or understanding the legislative process, please contact me by calling 573-751-3158 or emailing [Barbara.Washington@senate.mo.gov](mailto:Barbara.Washington@senate.mo.gov). My team is here for you!*

