



Earth Day 2013

The Siena School gives back to the community

SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND, April 22nd – In honor of Earth Day 2013, ninety-two students and faculty participated in a school wide community service day to clean up Sligo Park, Forest Glen, Argyle Park and The Siena School property. It was an ideal day to spend working hard outside completing many different projects in and around The Siena School.

Students worked with Weed Worriers and Fields of Sligo Creek (FOSC) members to remove invasive plants, repair tree protection fences, pick up trash, and gather large woody debris in Sligo Creek Park. All together students and staff collected 29 bags of garlic mustard as well as removed many bushes of honeysuckle, wineberry, multi-floral rose, and vines climbing trees. Along Forest Glen and Tenbrook Road students picked up trash and added six storm drain stickers reminding the community that all water leads to the Chesapeake Bay. Back on Siena grounds students built three blue bird boxes and a small mammal habitat.

“I would just like to add my HUGE note of thanks for all of the time and effort you gave to removing invasives, repairing tree protection fences, picking up trash, gathering large woody debris, etc., on Monday in Sligo! What a big help that is to MNCPPC Parks in improving the natural habitat along Sligo! What a big gift that is to the community in general!”

Carole F. Bergmann



Montgomery Parks Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission

“FOSC and the Montgomery County Parks want to thank you, the students and staff of The Siena School for doing an outstanding Earth Day event today in Sligo Creek Park. The Park is a much better place this evening than it was yesterday because of the efforts of your school. THANK YOU.”

Ross Campbell

FOSC Weed Warrior Supervisor

About The Siena School

The Siena School in Silver Spring, Maryland serves bright, college-bound students with language-based learning differences, such as dyslexia. Siena’s staff and board of advisors include distinguished national, state and local education leaders and professionals. The school was established in 2006 and serves students in grades 4 – 12. Siena’s program is designed for students with mild to moderate learning needs who are experiencing a discrepancy between their academic achievement and intellectual abilities in one or more areas such as reading, writing, oral expression or math. Siena delivers an individualized educational program featuring small class sizes, research-based instructional methodologies, a highly trained staff and an educational environment specifically designed to meet the unique needs of our students, with a specific emphasis on the arts. Siena is accredited by Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and is an affiliate member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS).