

GLADE GAZETTE GLADE PTA NEWSLETTER

June 6, 2019



School Webpage [HERE](#).
Glade PTA's webpage [HERE](#)
Pay for field trips:
<https://frederickcounty.schoolcashonline.com>
[GES Parent Handbook 2018-2019](#)

School Calendar

(Dates & Times Subject to Change)

| Date | Event | Time |
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| JUNE | | |
| 7 | Field Trip – Gr. 4 – Annapolis 5 th Grade Celebration, Café <i>(Parents arrive between 12:30-1:00)</i> | 9:00-3:15 1:00-2:30 |
| 10 | Keys Game (chorus sings National Anthem) | 7:00 pm |
| 13 | 5 th Grade Picnic, Heritage Farm Park (rain date June 14) | 10:30-2:30 |
| 19 | Last Day of School for Students 2-Hour Early Dismissal <i>(AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30)</i> Move-Up Day 5 th Grade Tug-O-War 5 th Grade Clap-Out | 9:00-1:30 9:00-10:15 10:30-10:45 1:00 |
| 20 | Last day of school for staff | |

- The official last school day this year for students who attend Frederick County public schools is Wednesday, June 19. On that day, FCPS will dismiss students 2 hours early for a teacher work session. The last day for 10-month teachers and staff is Thursday, June 20.

- Throughout most of the summer, FCPS schools and offices will operate on a four-day workweek with extended hours Mondays through Thursdays, closed on Fridays. Hours for the Central Office will be 7:30 a.m.- 5 p.m. during the four-day summer workweeks. This schedule will take effect the week of June 24. There is an exception the week of Independence Day; Thursday, July 4 is a holiday, and schools and offices will be open regular hours Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday that week.

- The regular five-day FCPS workweek will resume starting Monday, August 19. The first school day for students is Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Glade Families,

We want to take this opportunity to express gratitude to our outgoing PTA President, Beth Herndon, for all of her support for the students, staff, and families of our school during her tenure as President. In our recent PTA Board Elections, Mr. John Dye was elected as our new PTA President for the coming year. We welcome John and the new and returning PTA Board members and Committee Chairs wholeheartedly. Thank you to all of you for your dedication and commitment to improving our school continually and with such a focus on what is best for children.

We will send one final Gazette on the last week of school to inform you of several important pieces of information: staffing assignments for the coming year, events that will be happening over the summer, and a summative progress report on where we have been this school year and where we need to go in the coming year related to four critical areas that make a school be as great as it can possibly be. Those areas are student achievement, culture and climate, family engagement, and student leadership. We have done a lot of work this year in each of these four areas, and we have more to do. So please set aside some time to read the final 2018-2019 installment of the Gazette – out June 19th.

Yours in Education,
Mr. ÓhEithir & Mrs. Stuart

Frederick County Public Schools, MD, School Year 2019-2020 Calendar

August 2019

23, 26-30 Fri, Mon-Fri Teacher Work Days

September 2019

02 Mon FCPS Closed: Labor Day

03 Tue First Day of School for Students

20 Fri Schools Closed: Fair Day

October 2019

08 Tue 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Mid-Term Work Session

09 Wed Schools Closed: Yom Kippur.

23 Wed Elementary and Middle Schools Open 4 Hours Late for Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences; High Schools Are Full Day

24 Thu Elementary and Middle Schools Open 4 Hours Late for Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences; High Schools Are Full Day

25 Fri Elementary and Middle Students Dismissed 3.5 Hours Early for Afternoon Parent-Teacher Conferences; High Schools Are Full Day

November 2019

07 Thu End of Term 1

08 Fri Schools Closed for Students: Teacher Work Day

11 Mon Term 2 Begins

27, 28*, 29* Wed-Fri Schools Closed: Thanksgiving Break

December 2019

20 Fri 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Mid-Term Work Session

23, 24*-31* Mon-Tue Schools Closed: Winter Break

January 2020

01* Wed Schools Closed: New Year's Day

20* Mon Schools Closed: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

28 Tue End of Term 2

29 Wed Schools Closed for Students: Teacher Work Day

30 Thu Second Semester and Term 3 Begin

February 2020

14 Fri 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Work Session

17* Mon Schools Closed: Presidents' Day

March 2020

04 Wed 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Mid-Term Work Session

April 2020

08 Wed 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Work Session; End of Term 3

09 Thu Schools Closed for Students: Teacher Work Day

10*, 13* Fri-Mon Schools Closed: Spring Break

14 Tue Term 4 Begins

28* Tue Schools Closed: Primary Election Day

May 2020

25* Mon Schools Closed: Memorial Day

June 2020

22** Mon Last Day of School for Students /2-Hour Early Dismissal: Teacher Work Session. End of Term 4

23** Tue Last Day of School for Teachers

*State-Mandated Public Schools Holiday

**This calendar includes 8 days for snow or other emergency closings. If there are no days needed for emergency closings, the last day for students will be June 10. Subject to BOE revision, FCPS will make up emergency-closing days in the following sequence: June 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 22. The June two-hour early dismissal will occur on the last day of school for students.

May 15, 2019

Staying Connected With School Happenings



Facebook

If you are a Facebook user, please join our Glade Elementary/Glade PTA Facebook group. This is a group that is open to ALL Glade Elementary families. You can find it [HERE](#).



Find Out First

We communicate regularly through Find Out First. If you have not signed up, it is easy and you get notifications sent right to your phone and email. We are selective about what we send out, so don't worry about getting overwhelmed with communication from us. ** If you haven't logged in in a while, please do so that you can select the news you want to receive from our school and from other schools and FCPS. Join [HERE](#)



School Website

This will be updated over the summer to reflect any staffing changes. You can access it [HERE](#)

5th Grade Celebration

Reminder to parents of fifth graders: Save the date to join us in celebrating your 5th grade students on Friday, June 7 from 1:00-2:30pm in the cafeteria. Please arrive between 12:30-1:00 so that the program may start on time. Our Cafeteria/Gym has a limited capacity but should be able to accommodate parents and grandparents who wish to attend. School-age siblings will not be able to attend.

Move-Up Day

This year, as we did last year, we will have students meet their next year's teacher during a Move Up Day on the morning of June 19. For students who will have a teacher who is new to our school next year, we will transition to our next grade level classroom with our new classmates and families will have communication from their new teacher over the summer.

Lost & Found

We have several items that have been found throughout this school year (i.e. jackets, lunchboxes, etc). If you would like to survey our "Lost & Found" located in the cafeteria, please do so by the last day of school. Unclaimed articles will be given to a charitable organization.

Cafeteria Charges

Please make sure that if your child has charged his/her lunch this year that it is repaid before the last day of school.

Enrollment for Pre-K and Kindergarten

We are always excited to welcome new students to our school. Please help to spread the word that registration for next year's kindergarten and pre-k students has begun. Do not wait as this helps determine our class sizes. There will be a Pre-K and Kindergarten orientation for parents of incoming students on May 30 from 6:30-7:30pm. If you or someone you know has an incoming pre-k or kindergarten student, the following link will direct you to all of the necessary information: [FCPS ENROLLMENT INFORMATION for Pre-K & Kindergarten for 2018-2019](#)

GLADE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

You may register for PreK and/or Kindergarten during school hours from 9:00-3:00.

KINDERGARTEN REQUIREMENTS

- Five on or before September 1, 2019. (Born before 9/1/2014)
- Proof of date of birth: Provide one of these: birth certificate, physician's certificate, hospital certificate, baptismal/church certificate, parent's affidavit, passport/visa.
- Proof of residency: Provide one of these: current property tax bill, current rental bill, current utility bill for water, gas or electric (no phone bills)
- Immunization record

PRE-K REQUIREMENTS: Morning Class ONLY 9:00-11:30

- Four on or before September 1, 2019.
- Proof of date of birth – (provide one of these: Birth certificate, physician's certificate, hospital certificate, baptismal or church certificate, parent's affidavit, or passport/visa)
- Proof of residency – provide one of these: current property tax bill, current rental bill, current utility bill for water, gas, or electric (no phone bills)
- Immunization record
- Copy of Independence card with documentation; W-2 form(s) from last year; three consecutive pay stubs within the last six months; a letter on letterhead from your employer stating your income or documentation if the child in your care is a foster child. **Please note: We cannot consider your application into Pre-K until ALL required documentation is completed.**



MEDIA NEWS

Mona Weinberg, Library Media Specialist
Mona.weinberg@fcps.org
240-236-2107



Library Books

If your child has any library books at home, please return them so that they may be inventoried. Also, if you have any outstanding charges, please repay them as well. Failure to do so could result in your child's report card not being released. If you have any questions about missing books, please contact Mona Weinberg at 240-236-2107 or mona.weinberg@fcps.org.



COUNSELOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Nikki Ramsay, School Counselor
nikole.ramsay@fcps.org
240-236-2114



SUMMER MEAL PROGRAM

Summertime brings a break from school...
...but the need for good nutrition doesn't take a break!



*Learning does not end when school lets out.
Neither does the need for good nutrition.*

<http://fcpsnutrition.com/index.php?page=summer&sid=1496937421390>

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If you or someone you know needs help with school supplies for next year, the Glade Valley Community Services will be distributing school supplies for students in our feeder on Sunday, August 18, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Walkersville Town Hall (2nd floor). No registration is necessary, but parents/guardians will need to bring the student's report card for identification purposes.

If anyone would like to donate items/supplies, they will be accepted at the Walkersville Food Bank on August 10 and 11 from 10:00 am - noon. For more information call 301-845-0213.

FCPS Invites Students Entering
2nd or 3rd Grade in the
2019-2020 School Year

We Are the World Summer Camp
July 8-11 (M-Th) and July 15-17 (M-W)
8:30 AM-Noon

Ballenger Creek Middle School
5525 Ballenger Creek Pike, Frederick 240-236-5700
\$40

Space is limited: Register early!

<https://bit.ly/wlintrosc2019>

[See the flier!](#)

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FCPS Invites Students Entering
4th or 5th Grade in the
2019-2020 School Year

To 8 Days of Fun Learning at the Countywide

Spanish Immersion Summer Camp

July 8-11 and 15-18 (M-Th)

8:20 AM-2:30 PM

Ballenger Creek Middle School
5525 Ballenger Creek Pike, Frederick 240-236-5700
\$150 Includes lunches +

Music, games, crafts, outdoor activities +
Lessons in Latin derivatives and etymology!

Space is limited! Register early:

<https://bit.ly/FCPSSpanish2019>

[See the flier!](#)

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REGISTRATION is OPEN NOW for
Summer Camps at the ESSL

FCPS EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE LAB!

Monday-Thursday, July 15-18 **Art of Science** (entering grades 3-5)
Monday-Thursday, July 15-18 **Summer Scientist** (entering grades 2-3)
Monday-Thursday, July 22-25 **Shark Week** (entering grades 3-5)
Monday-Thursday, July 22-25 **Summer Scientist** (entering grades 2-3)
Monday-Thursday, July 29-August 1 **Lego Mindstorms Robotics** (entering grades 3-6)
Monday-Thursday, July 29-August 1 **Makerspace Madness** (entering grades 3-5)
Monday-Thursday, August 5-8 **Summer Scientist** (entering grades 2-3)
Monday-Thursday, August 5-8 **Lego Mindstorms Robotics** (entering grades 3-6)
Monday-Thursday, August 12-15 **Summer Star Institute** (entering grades 6-8)

Enrollment is limited to 20 students per camp.

All sessions are taught by certified teachers.

[See important information and register here!](#)

[Download the flyer.](#)

FCPS Weather Delays and Closing

As snowy weather approaches, this is an important reminder about FCPS emergency communication. We recommend that you **SAVE THIS MESSAGE** for future reference. See our **Weather Delays and Closings** video and more: <http://www.fcps.org/weather>.

See **How FCPS Decides Whether to Close or Delay Schools**:

<https://fcps.ezcommunicator.net/edu/Frederick/GetFile.aspx?DocId=5582>

After making the decision to close for snow or other emergencies, FCPS uses MANY ways to communicate! Here are places to check:

1. www.fcps.org We post alerts to appear at the very top of each webpage, with details in the home page *News and Info* section. You can access the FCPS website from many devices.
2. Comcast cable channel 18 on TV or online <http://www.fcps.org/centraloffice/fcps-television>
3. FCPS Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/FCPSMaryland>
4. FCPS Twitter <https://twitter.com/fcpsmaryland>
5. FCPS FindOutFirst (FOF) www.fcps.org/fof or http://fcps.ezcommunicator.net/edu/frederick/login_form.aspx?app=0
WITHOUT logging in, you may view published notices using the *Archive* icon on the upper black bar to the left of the *Select Language* option. From either of the above FOF links, **SIGN UP for FindOutFirst EMAIL notices and TEXT messages**. Delivery speed depends on your Internet Service Provider (for email) and your phone-service provider (for text messages), message length and other factors. FOF text messages are typically faster than email, which is slower but has room for details. Most subscribers sign up for both.
6. We notify about 30 local and regional radio and TV stations but cannot guarantee the accuracy of their messages. *There is a Frederick County Public Schools system in Virginia; make sure you're hearing information about FCPS Maryland!*

Afterschool and Weekend Activities: Generally, when schools are closed due to inclement weather, school-sponsored afterschool and evening activities are canceled or postponed. On non-school days when the Snow Emergency Plan is in effect in Frederick County, unless the Superintendent grants a waiver, all afterschool, evening and weekend programs and activities are canceled or postponed, *including events scheduled by outside user groups*. **Exceptions:** Frederick County Parks and Recreation programs operating in community gyms in FCPS schools and daycare programs operating in FCPS schools (such as YMCA before- and afterschool programs) independently make and communicate their decisions regarding schedule modifications. For **Frederick County Parks and Recreation** program updates, you may call 301-600-6291.

Snow Emergency Plan status is announced on local radio and posted on the Maryland Department of Transportation website: http://www.chart.state.md.us/StormInfo/snow_emergency_plans.asp

Parents are advised to review your [FCPS Calendar Handbook](#), page 5, especially for information about pre-k and Career and Technology Center delays.

Here are links to a flier and to FCPS Regulations with additional information:

How to Check School Status:

English: <https://fcps.ezcommunicator.net/edu/Frederick/GetFile.aspx?DocId=5581>

Spanish: <https://fcps.ezcommunicator.net/edu/Frederick/GetFile.aspx?DocId=7817>

Reg. 400-2 Closing Schools Due to Weather, Maintenance, etc:

<https://apps.fcps.org/legal/doc.php?number=400-02>

Reg. 400-42 Weather Guidelines for Outside Activities:

<https://apps.fcps.org/legal/doc.php?number=400-42>

Emergency Lunches During Inclement Weather Events:

<http://fcpsnutrition.com/?sid=1496937421390&page=784>

Here's a link to the Superintendent's blog about snow:

<http://superintendent.fcps.org>

A final note: Emergency closing notices are sent from the FCPS Central Office only, not from schools.

Other Important Reminders:

All absences, late arrivals, and early dismissals need a parent note or are unexcused. Be sure to include the child's first and last name and the teacher's name. Even if you have called the school to report an absence, we still require a note upon returning to school. For a copy of "A Note to School" please go to <http://ges.sites.fcps.org/attendance>. To review the entire FCPS policy, please visit page 38 of the FCPS Calendar Handbook.

Address change: Please provide a new proof of residency (a copy of a property tax bill, gas bill, electric bill, water/sewer bill or a signed current lease/rental agreement; NO phone/cable bills).

Custody change: If there is a change in child custody, please make sure you share that information with your child's teacher and the office. It is extremely important that a copy of the court document be delivered to the school and placed in the child's permanent record folder. Should the school not have this documentation, we have no recourse but to release your child to either parent upon request.

Wellness-Food Use: FCPS Wellness Regulation 400-82 states in part:

- For health and safety reasons, parents/visitors are only permitted to bring in food that is intended for consumption by their individual student.
- For health and safety reasons, students are only permitted to bring in food for personal consumption.

Weapons: Possession of any firearm or other weapon by a student on school property is strictly forbidden. This also includes look-alike weapons. The penalties for violation are detailed in the Discipline section of the FCPS handbook. Please remember it is a serious offense to possess a weapon of any kind on school property.

Bus Transportation

Students may ride only the school bus to which they are assigned. Inviting friends to ride the bus home is sometimes problematic as some busses are extremely crowded and over capacity. In an emergency situation only, both students are required to have a parent note. This note must be signed by parents. Drivers will not transport any student without a note and/or on their bus roster. Please note that some notes may not be approved due to overcrowding. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

FCPS Transportation Delay Board This is a way that the Transportation Department communicates with the public and schools when a bus is running 10 minutes or more late. This information can be accessed on the FCPS website at this link: <https://apps.fcps.org/transdelay/>

Outside Activities During Cold Weather – Elementary Guidelines:

It is difficult to set guidelines that fit every circumstance and condition with regards to outside activities during cold weather. Principals use their discretion and good judgment as to whether or not students will go outside, as well as the duration of the outside activity. Sometimes we may opt for a shorter recess period in cold temperatures or specify a temperature above 20 degrees as the cut off point for going out. Elementary students should not go outdoors for recess or physical education whenever the temperature falls below 20 degrees, including the wind chill factor. The temperature cut off at Glade is 22 degrees, so please remember to dress your student in the appropriate clothing (labeled coat, hat and gloves). We will honor parent's reasonable requests that a student be allowed to stay indoors.



Frederick County Health Department / Frederick County Public Schools

ATTENTION PARENTS/GUARDIANS

School is scheduled to close June 19, 2019

Students are not permitted to take their medications home at the end of the school year (FCPS Regulation 400-23). An adult must pick up all medications currently in the health room by the end of the school day on June 19, 2019.

Medication remaining in the health room will be destroyed at **3:00 pm June 19, 2019**

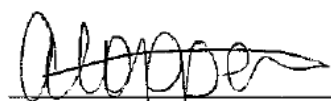
PREPARING FOR THE 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR
Medication/Treatment Orders from your Health Care Provider

The appropriate medication/treatment authorization form(s) must be renewed at the beginning of each school year. Forms are available online at www.fcps.org or at your child's school.

Please be aware of the expiration date on the pharmacy label when bringing the medication to the health room with the new authorization form. School health staff will determine medication expiration by the date printed on the pharmacy label. Note EpiPen's, Diastat, Glucagon and inhalers have an expiration date printed on the container in addition to the pharmacy label. Therefore, the container expiration date must be equal to or exceed the expiration date on the pharmacy label. **Please make sure the expiration date on the individual medication container exceeds the expiration date on the label before leaving the pharmacy.**

To ensure your child's medication needs can be met at the start of the school year, submit all completed forms and medications to the health room on August 26th, 27th, 29th, or 30th, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. School health staff will review these items for completeness and discuss any issues at this time. **Please do not send your child to school with medications. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to arrange for the safe delivery of medication to the school health room; and the parent/guardian must bring medications and forms directly to School Health Staff per (FCPS reg 400-23).**

Thank you for your cooperation.


Registered Nurse


Principal

Frederick County Health Department/Frederick County Public Schools

Message from the Registered Nurse

In order for a student to receive medication during the school day you are required to follow the FCPS Medication Administration Policy.

The following checklist will assure the policy requirements are met:

- ✓ The appropriate Medication Authorization form must be completed by the student's health care provider for the 2018-19 school year.
- ✓ This form must be signed by **both** parent/guardian and the health care provider.
- ✓ The medication must be in the original unopened container and/or be properly labeled by the pharmacy.
- ✓ The medication label must match the health care provider's authorization form.
- ✓ An adult must transport any medications to and from school.
- ✓ The first full day's dosage of ANY new medication must be given at home.

Please be aware of the expiration date on the pharmacy label when bringing the medication to the health room with the new authorization form. School health staff will determine medication expiration by the date printed on the pharmacy label.

Please note EpiPens, Diastat, Glucagon and inhalers have an expiration date printed on the container in addition to the pharmacy label. Therefore the container expiration date must be equal to or exceed the expiration date on the pharmacy label. **Please make sure the expiration date on the individual medication container exceeds the expiration date on the label before leaving the pharmacy.**

All of the appropriate forms can be obtained from the health room or by going to www.fcps.org and clicking on the form you need. For further questions, you may contact the health room at: (240)236-2056.