

GLADE GAZETTE

GLADE PTA NEWSLETTER



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School Calendar

(Dates & Times Subject to Change)

Date	Event	Time
DECEMBER		
20	2-Hour Early Dismissal <i>(AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30)</i> Spirit Day Race for Ed Stunt	9:00-1:30
23-31	Schools Closed – Winter Break	
JANUARY		
1	Schools Closed – New Year's Day	
2	Band Day – bring your instruments Good News Club, Rm.142	3:30-5:00
6	PTA Meeting, Media Center	7:00
9	Band Day – bring your instruments Winter Band Concert, Café Good News Club, Rm.12	2:00 3:30-5:00
14	Field Trip – Gr.5 – Weinberg Center Field Trip – Gr.3 – Weinberg Center Chess Club, Media Center	9:15-11:45 11:45-2:00 3:34-5:00
15	Band Evening Concert at WHS <i>(Snow date Jan.22)</i>	7:00
16	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
17	Spirit Day PTA Family Skate Night <i>(tentative)</i>	
20	Schools Closed – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	
21	Chess Club, Media Center	3:45-5:00
23	Band Day – bring your instruments	
28	Chess Club, Media Center End Term 2	3:45-5:00
29	Schools Closed, Teacher Work Day	
30	Term 3 Begins Band Day – bring your instruments	
FEBRUARY		
3	PTA General Meeting, Media	7:00
4	Chess Club, Media Center	3:45-5:00
6	Band Day – Bring your instruments Good News Club, Rm.142	3:30-5:00
10	PTA Winter Book Fair	
11	PTA Winter Book Fair Chess Club, Media Center	3:45-5:00
12	PTA Winter Book Fair	
13	PTA Winter Book Fair Band Day – Bring your instruments Valentine's Parties in Classrooms	2:00-3:00
14	2-Hour Early Dismissal <i>(AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30)</i> PTA Winter Book Fair (last day)	9:00-1:30
17	Schools Closed – President's Day	
18	Chess Club, Media Center	3:45-5:00
20	Band Day – bring your instruments	

	Good News Club, Rm.142	3:30-5:00
25	Chess Club, Media Center	3:45-5:00
27	Band Day, bring your instruments Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
	MARCH	
2	PTA General Meeting, Media Center	7:00
4	2-Hour Early Dismissal <i>(AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30)</i> Mid-term	9:00-1:30
5	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
6	Field Trip – Gr. 5 (Offutt/Little) ESSL	9:15-11:30
11	Field Trip – Gr. 1 – Maryland Science Center (Baltimore)	9:05-3:15
12	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
13	Spirit Day Field Trip – Gr.5 (Matusek/Young) ESSL	9:15-11:30
17	Social Studies/Science Fair Set-Up	
18	Social Studies/Science Fair	6:00-8:00
19	Band Day – bring your instruments Good News Club, Rm. 142 Social Studies/Science Fair Pick-Up	3:30-5:00
26	Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
	APRIL	
1	Talent Show Auditions	3:45-5:00
2	Band Day – bring your instruments Good News Club, Rm. 142 Talent Show Auditions	3:30-5:00 3:45-5:00
6	PTA General Meeting, Media Center	7:00
8	2-Hour Early Dismissal <i>(AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30)</i> Field Trip – Gr. 2 – Rose Hill Manor	9:00-1:30 9:30-12:30
9	Schools Closed – Teacher Work Day	
10 & 13	Schools Closed – Spring Break	
14	Field Trip – Gr.2 (Ciocco/Sinton) ESSL	9:15-11:15
15	Field Trip – Gr.2 (Defibaugh/Epling) ESSL	9:15-11:15
16	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
17	Spirit Day PTA Movie Night	7:00
20	Field Trip – Gr.4 (Hickman/Hyson) ESSL	12:00-2:15
21	Field Trip – Gr.4 (Fowler/Garrigan) ESSL	12-2:15
23	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
28	Schools Closed – Primary Elections	
30	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00

	MAY	
1	Moms n' Muffins, Café	8:00-8:55
4	PTA General Meeting, Media Center	7:00
7	Band Day – bring your instrument In-School Band Concert, Café Good News Club, Rm. 142 Talent Show Rehearsal	2:00 3:30-5:00 3:45-5:00
8	Talent Show	7:00-9:00
11	Band Evening Concert at WHS	7:00
14	Band Day – bring your instrument Field Trip – Gr.5 – Washington DC Good News Club, Rm. 142	9:10-3:00 3:30-5:00
15	Walk/Bike to School Day Spirit Day Field Trip – Gr.K – Catoctin Zoo PTA May Fair	9:15-1:45 5:30-8:00
19	Cultural Arts Program (Primary) Cultural Arts Program (Intermediate)	9:15-10:15 2:00-3:00
20	Chorus Evening Concert, Café	7:00
21	Band Day – bring your instrument Field Trip – Gr.4 – Annapolis Good News Club, Rm. 142	9:00-3:00 3:30-5:00
25	Schools Closed – Memorial Day	
27	Field Trip – Gr.3 – National Zoo DC Volunteer Appreciation Celebration, Café	9:00-3:00 7:00
28	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142 Kindergarten Orientation	3:30-5:00 6:30-7:30
29	Dads n' Donuts, Café	8:00-8:55
	JUNE	
1	PTA General Meeting	7:00
3	Field Day (rain date June 4)	
4	Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
8	5 th Grade Celebration, Café <i>(Tentative-may be adjusted based on emergency closings. Will be finalized by April 1)</i>	
9	5 th Grade Picnic <i>(Tentative-may be adjusted based on emergency closings. Will be finalized by April 1)</i>	
10	Last Day of School for Students (if no snow days) 2-Hour Early Dismissal (AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30) Move-Up Day 5 th Grade Tug-o-War 5 th Grade Clap-Out	9:00-1:30 9:00-9:55 10:00-10:20 1:00

*FCPS Calendar includes 8 days for snow or other emergency closings. If none are needed, last student day will be June 10.



We wish all of our students, staff and families of the Glade community a joyful and peaceful time together this holiday season.



ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Glade Families,

As we come close to the end of a calendar year, I want to wish you and your family continued prosperity and success in all aspects of your lives.

I also want to bring a couple of things to your attention that are worth repeating or pointing out anew:

1. Please continue to refer to the school year calendar in the Gazette for all of the various events that will be happening in our school. Sometimes, previously scheduled events will need to be rescheduled and we will update these in the calendar in each month's Gazette. Also, some end of year dates are not yet finalized and will be published in this calendar once finalized.
2. Our primary students (pre-K-2nd grade) have been receiving instruction in a social emotional learning program called PATHS. Please ask your child about PATHS and what they are learning. Communicate any feedback or questions to your classroom teacher. The purpose of this program is to enable students to develop positive emotional regulation skills so that they can effectively engage with learning.
3. If you are the parent of a current Pre-K student or will have a kindergarten student in Glade this coming year, please check out this excellent resource so you can help your child to be ready for school. It really is an excellent resource. <https://www.readyatfive.org/for-parents/parents-matter.html> . Enrollment for next year starts in March.
4. Our school improvement planning focuses on increasing the amount of meaningful independent reading that our students do, improving and expanding their vocabularies, and providing them with specific, timely, actionable feedback about where their efforts need to focus in reading, writing, and mathematics. There are several fundamental areas that our students continue to have difficulty with, and these are all areas that our parents can support with:
 - a. Demonstrating knowledge of basic math facts – addition and subtraction by the end of 2nd grade, multiplication and division by the end of 4th grade. Currently, we have many students who are not yet proficient with math fact fluency. This creates a problem in mathematics learning as students with these missing skills struggle to complete basic computation and have difficulty with problem solving as a result. If your student has been identified for Reflex math, please make sure you are monitoring their practice and expecting their success.
 - b. Reading: you can support your child's learning by setting aside time each day for family reading. In this day and age of heavy screen time, student exposure to books and the cognitive development that reading brings, are very much in decline. Read beside your child or read a book together. It matters!
 - c. Talking to each other. Verbal communication skills are critical in developing effective writers and communicators. There is no more powerful way to encourage a child in their language skills than to teach them new vocabulary and language skills through conversation. It also allows us to slow down in this busy world and take the time to enjoy each other's company.

As always, these suggestions are offered in the spirit of helping our students to succeed. On rankings of our 37 elementary school in FCPS, we have progressed from 16th, to 13th, to most-recently 9th out of 37. Our goal this year is to be in the top 5. It will only happen if we put a more active focus on academic learning and the importance of reading, writing, and mathematics skills, while also encouraging our children to develop their artistic, musical, and athletic talents at the same time.

We will see you all for an amazing 2020. It will be the best year yet.

Yours in Education,
Lorcan OhEithir, Principal
Heather Putnam, Assistant Principal

Winter Chorus Concert

Thank you to our Glade Chorus for their wonderful performance Wednesday evening. We appreciate and acknowledge Mrs. Cheek and Mr. Stevens for all of their efforts in bringing this performance to life. The students sounded great. We also want to thank our parent volunteers Mrs. Celeste McNiesh and Mrs. Patricia Rowley for their assistance with chorus.

Martin Luther King Jr. Award

Glade is proud to have selected Simon Hailemariam, 5th grader from Mrs. Matusek's class as the 2019-20 recipient for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Award. Simon was selected to receive this award due to his consistent demonstration of excellence in both academic achievement and character. He exemplifies our school motto, consistently working hard and being kind in his years at Glade Elementary School. He, along with representatives from each of the other schools in FCPS, will be recognized by the Superintendent and Board of Education at an event at TJHS in January. Congratulations to Simon, his family, and to our school!

*Frederick County Public Schools announces the
30th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Celebration
"From the Past, We Create Our Future"*

*Date and Time: Thursday, January 9 @ 7pm -- Snow date: January 16
Governor Thomas Johnson High School Auditorium 1501 North Market Street, Frederick MD 21701*



COUNSELOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Nikki Ramsay, School Counselor
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This month in our *Leader in Me* lessons, we focused on Habit 3: Put First Things First. It teaches us to remember to do the things we HAVE to do before the things we WANT to do. This habit is a great one to learn early because it allows us to focus on what's important and spend our time getting those things done first. Some grades even learned the word procrastinate and how we need to minimize distractions in order to stay focused. This can be difficult, even for us adults. Many of our students related this habit to doing chores or homework BEFORE playing video games. That is a great way to start!!!

THE READING CORNER

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Young Author's Contest

Thank you to all the students who entered this year. We had over 40 entries! The following students work was chosen to move on to the county contest. Winners will be notified by January 31st, 2020 if their piece will move on to the state level.

Grade 1:	Short Story: Sebastian Northup
Grade 2: Poem--Sophia Mueller	Short Story: Wyatt Keeney
Grade 3: Poem--Emma Hormes	Short Story: Lilyana Szot
Grade 4: Poem: Vincent Shrader	Short Story: Ethan Burdick
Grade 5: Poem: Charlie Nilsen	Short Story: Bella Harrington



MATH NEWS

Ms. Patty Jenkins, Math Specialist

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5 Ways to Keep Kids Learning Math Through the Holidays

Try these fun and easy ways to keep the math learning alive over the holiday season.

Everyone is ready for a break from school when the winter holidays roll around. It's such a special time of year for families and friends, but it can also be a time of setbacks for some students. All the hard work towards building routines and establishing communities in the classroom can fall apart with a long break from school. A great way parents can help students not "forget" everything they have learned and create a seamless return in the New Year is to keep the routines going without feeling the pressure to get homework done and to be on a schedule. Below are some helpful hints for keeping the math alive over the holiday season in fun and easy ways.

Create Surveys: Children can create holiday surveys to collect data from family members at dinners and parties. Questions can range from holiday traditions to favorite gifts! Once kids have collected the data, they can create graphs (bar graph, pictograph, line plot) either on paper or online to display the results.

Travel: Many families travel over the holidays. Invite your children to become a part of the travel plans by using MapQuest or other resources to map out the best route to grandma's. They can estimate the time it would take and develop a schedule for the family according to holiday activities.

Holiday Toys: Children can research top holiday gifts from the years their parents or other relatives were kids. For example, find out the number one toy from 1975, how much it cost, and find the difference or price increase over the decades. This is a great way to incorporate many different curricula into one activity. Kids can make a report or poster to show their findings!

Weather: Everyone loves a White Christmas! How many times in the past 10, 20, or 50 years has it snowed on Christmas morning? Children can collect weather data on temperature, precipitation, and/or snowfall levels over the years.

Source: <https://www.scholastic.com/parents/school-success/learning-toolkit-blog/5-ways-to-keep-kids-learning-math-through-holidays.html> Have a great Winter Break! Ms. Jenkins

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=12291>



How FCPS Decides to Cancel or Delay School During Bad Weather

Closing or delaying schools is a serious responsibility. A sudden change in a school schedule can create inconveniences and difficulties for many families. That's why we promise our community that FCPS will make the best and most informed decisions we can and that we'll communicate decisions as quickly and reliably as we can.

We evaluate many factors and sources of information as we work to make the most responsible decisions for our students and employees. Our main focus is always their safety. We also think about how a potential delay or closing might impact instructional time for our students.

With those things in mind, here's the process we follow to decide on a delay or closing:

FCPS' Transportation and Security and Emergency Management Departments receive regular updates from several sources (including county Emergency Management and state officials) to stay ahead of developing weather. We monitor weather by radar in real time and we talk to neighboring school districts about the conditions they're seeing.

On mornings when we have bad weather, FCPS Transportation employees fan out throughout the county before 4 AM to assess roads and sidewalks. At the same time, we contact county and state highway departments to hear their plans to clear roads. Senior FCPS administrators evaluate all of this information. The Superintendent decides--by 5 AM--if and when we can safely open schools and transport students.

Our Public Affairs Department then shares the Superintendent's decision. Through FindOutFirst, we email, text, tweet, and update our Facebook page. We post information on fcps.org and FCPS TV Comcast Channel 18. We also make individual phone calls to more than two dozen regional media outlets. These steps are typically completed within 30 minutes.

We think these are the most reasonable, practical and timely steps to make and communicate closing and delay decisions. That doesn't mean our decisions, in retrospect, are always perfect--weather and road conditions can change quickly. It does mean, though, that we always think through these decisions carefully and that student safety is our number one concern in making the best decisions with the information available at the time.

If you have suggestions on how FCPS might improve the way we make closing and delay decisions, please send us an email: Suggestions@fcps.org. We'll write back to you. For more information, you can read our school closing regulation (Reg. 400-2) online at <https://apps.fcps.org/legal/doc.php?number=400-02> and visit <http://www.fcps.org/weather>.

How to Check School Status:

English: <https://fcps.ezcommunicator.net/edu/frederick/GetFile.aspx?DocId=12292>



In the Event of Bad Weather or an Emergency... Here's How to Check School Status

Occasionally inclement weather or other safety or health conditions require FCPS to cancel, delay or otherwise change school routines or schedules. Typically, cancellation and delay decisions are made by 5 AM that day and announced soon after. If weather becomes a factor after school is in session, a decision to close early is made, whenever possible, by 10 AM that day. Very rarely, FCPS may be required to take student safety precautions immediately, with little or no notice. Although we notify many regional news outlets, we encourage parents and guardians to use the following sources for the most accurate news.

For the fastest, most reliable school status information, check:

[Facebook FCPSMaryland](#)

[Twitter @FCPSMaryland](#)

Internet www.fcps.org

FindOutFirst email; add your mobile phone for texts: www.fcps.org/fof

FCPS Television on Comcast Cable Channel 18 and online www.fcps.org/tv

Delay Schedule for Half-Day Pre-K* On days when school opens 2 hours late, morning and afternoon pre-k* students attend 1½-hour sessions. Breakfast is served in morning classes, which start 2 hours late and dismiss 1 hour later than usual. Afternoon classes start 1 hour late and dismiss at the regular time.

Delay Schedule for CTC On days when school opens 2 hours late, morning Career & Technology Center classes start 2 hours late and dismiss about 1 hour later than usual. The afternoon session starts 40 minutes later than usual and dismisses at the regular time.

Early Dismissal When schools close 1 hour early due to inclement weather, morning half-day programs follow their normal schedules, afternoon half-day pre-k*, afternoon CTC, Flexible Evening HS and Heather Ridge Twilight programs are canceled; CTC students remain at their home schools.

When schools close 2 hours early due to inclement weather, morning half-day pre-k* students remain at school for dismissal with full-day students. Lunches are served. Afternoon half-day pre-k* and CTC programs are canceled; CTC students remain at their home schools. Flexible Evening HS and Heather Ridge Twilight programs are canceled.

When schools close 3 to 3.5 hours early due to inclement weather, morning half-day pre-k* students remain at school for dismissal with full-day students, morning CTC students follow normal schedules, afternoon pre-k*, CTC, Flexible Evening HS and Heather Ridge Twilight programs are canceled.

Evening Activities School- and FCPS-sponsored afterschool/evening activities (sports, plays, BOE meetings, etc.) and evening instructional programs (such as Flexible Evening HS & the Twilight Program) are generally canceled on days when school is canceled or closes early.

*PreK references in this document do not apply to charter schools.

Additional information is online in Regulation 400-2: <https://apps.fcps.org/legal/doc.php?number=400-02>

How to Check School Status:

Spanish: <https://fcps.ezcommunicator.net/edu/frederick/GetFile.aspx?DocId=12293>



En caso de mal tiempo o emergencia ... aquí se explica cómo verificar la situación escolar

En ocasiones, las inclemencias del tiempo u otras condiciones de seguridad o salud requieren que FCPS cancele, demore o cambie las rutinas u horarios escolares. Por lo general, las decisiones de cancelación y demora se toman antes de las 5 AM de ese día y se anuncian poco después. Si el clima se convierte en un factor determinante una vez que la escuela ya entró en sesión, se toma la decisión de cerrar temprano, siempre que sea posible, antes de las 10 AM de ese día. Muy raramente, se puede requerir que FCPS tome las precauciones de seguridad de los estudiantes de inmediato, con poca o ninguna notificación. Aunque notificamos a muchos medios de comunicación regionales, alentamos a los padres y tutores a utilizar las siguientes fuentes para obtener las noticias más precisas.

Para obtener información más rápida y confiable de la situación escolar, consulte:

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Internet www.fcps.org

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Horario de retraso para Pre-K * de medio día * En los días en que la escuela abre 2 horas tarde, los estudiantes de pre-kínder * de la mañana y de la tarde asisten a sesiones de 1½ hora. El desayuno se sirve en las clases de la mañana, que comienzan 2 horas tarde y terminan 1 hora más tarde de lo habitual. Las clases de la tarde comienzan 1 hora tarde y terminan a la hora regular.

Horario de retraso para CTC En los días en que la escuela abre 2 horas tarde, las clases matutinas del *Career & Technology Center* (Centro de Carrera y Tecnología) comienzan 2 horas tarde y terminan aproximadamente 1 hora más tarde de lo habitual. La sesión de la tarde comienza 40 minutos más tarde de lo habitual y termina a la hora habitual.

Salida temprana Cuando las escuelas cierran 1 hora antes debido a las inclemencias del tiempo, los programas de medio día de la mañana siguen sus horarios normales. Los programas de pre-kínder de medio día por la tarde, CTC por la tarde, *Flexible Evening HS* y *Heather Ridge Twilight* se cancelan; los estudiantes de CTC permanecen en sus escuelas de origen.

Cuando las escuelas cierran 2 horas antes debido al mal tiempo, los estudiantes de pre-kínder* de medio día del grupo de la mañana permanecen en la escuela para salir con los estudiantes de día completo. Se sirven almuerzos. Los programas de medio día de pre-kínder * y CTC se cancelan por la tarde; los estudiantes de CTC permanecen en sus escuelas de origen. Programas como *Flexible Evening HS* y *Heather Ridge Twilight* se cancelan.

Cuando las escuelas cierran de 3 a 3.5 horas antes debido a las inclemencias del tiempo, los estudiantes de pre-kínder* de medio día de la mañana permanecen en la escuela para salir con los estudiantes de día completo; los estudiantes de CTC de la mañana siguen los horarios normales. El pre-kínder* de la tarde, CTC, programas como *Flexible Evening HS* y *Heather Ridge Twilight* se cancelan.

Actividades nocturnas Las actividades extracurriculares / nocturnas patrocinadas por la escuela y FCPS (deportes, juegos, reuniones BOE, etc.) y los programas de instrucción nocturna (como *Flexible Evening HS* y *Heather Ridge Twilight*) generalmente se cancelan los días en que la escuela se cancela o cierra temprano.

* Las referencias de pre-kínder en este documento no se aplican a las escuelas *charter*.

Información adicional está en línea en la Regulación 400-2: <https://apps.fcps.org/legal/doc.php?number=400-02>

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.

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. Regulation No. 400-42 was most recently updated in 2018 to include weather charts and detailed information to assist in the decision making process. The link can be found at <https://apps.fcps.org/legal/doc.php?number=400-42>. 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.



MEDICATIONS IN SCHOOL: **ALL** medications to be taken at school, whether prescription or non - prescription (over-the-counter), **must** have a Medication Authorization form completed by the child's health care provider and parent. This form is available from the Health Room Staff and at www.fcps.org.

This form along with the medication, in a properly labeled prescription bottle or the original unopened over-the-counter bottle or package, must be given directly to the Health Room Staff by the parent/guardian. **FCPS Regulation 400-23 states students are not permitted to carry medications to and from school.**

When Should I keep my child home?

Please keep your child home if these symptoms present and if these symptoms persist for more than 24 hours, contact your child's health care provider. If your child comes to the health room complaining of such you will be called to possibly pick he/she up from school.

Important Signs of Illness:

- *Temperature greater than or equal to 100 degrees*
- *Nausea or Vomiting*
- *Stomachache*
- *Diarrhea*
- *Pale or flush face*
- *Headache*
- *Persistent cough*
- *Earache*
- *Thick discharge from nose*
- *Sore throat*
- *Rash or skin infection*
- *Red or pink eyes*
- *Loss of appetite*
- *Loss of energy or decrease in activity*

Please keep your child home from school for 24 hours after the last episode of vomiting, fever, and/or diarrhea. If these symptoms persist for more than 24 hours, you should contact your child's health care provider.



Glade Elementary School

Work Hard • Be Kind

PTSA NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER 2019

Hello Glade Families!

On behalf of the PTA Executive Board, Membership Chairs, and all the volunteers who give their time so freely and enthusiastically, we thank you for your support. If at any time during the school year, you have any questions please don't hesitate to connect with us at www.GladePTA.org!

PTA Officers 2019-2020

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PTA General Meeting

Please join us at our next general meeting. It is open to the entire Glade Community. Want to learn more about what's going on at our school? Have any questions or ideas on how we can better support our students? Then join us on Monday, February 3rd at 7pm in the Media Center.

Stay Connected

Facebook: The Glade Elementary Community was established as a way to disseminate School- and PTA-related updates and information. It is also a great place to ask questions and connect with other Glade families.

Find Out Firsts: The School sends out regular email updates regarding PTA-sponsored events and activities. Make sure you are subscribed. www.fcps.org/fof

Remind: Sign up for text reminders. Text the code @gladeppta to the phone number 81010.

Website: Everything you want to know about the PTA can be found on our website. There are forms and documents for membership, volunteering, events, and activities.

<http://gladeppta.org>

9th Annual Race for Education

Our **9th Annual Race for Education** continues to be a huge success!

As of the beginning of December, we have raised \$27,899 and the money continues to trickle in!!

T-Shirts

Need holiday gift ideas? We have Glade Spirit Wear T-shirts available for those of you who missed ordering!

Email Gladeptaspiritwear@gmail.com

Royal Blue = \$10

Tie Dye = \$16



May Fair Meeting

May Fair Planning Committee Volunteers Needed!

We are meeting on **Wednesday, January 15th at 7pm** in Glade's media center to kick off the 2020 May Fair planning. We would love for you to join us!

Please email Lauren Shrader VPSocial@GladePTA.org for more information.

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<https://www.boxtops4education.com/How%20To%20Earn>

Every 10 Box Top\$ = \$1.00 for our school!! If you have Box Top\$ to clip, simply clip them cleanly along the dotted lines, being careful not to cut off the expiration date, put them in a ziploc bag (note your child's name, grade, and teacher), and send them to school with your child.

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<http://gladepta.shutterflystorefront.com/>



***Rewards - friendly reminder: Rewards Programs and for families to think about using Amazon Smile and Shutterfly storefront as they shop for Xmas presents

Join the PTA!

PTA Membership is so essential to our success as a school! If you have not signed up yet, please do so at this link: <http://gladeppta.org/> . PTA sponsors SO many amazing things at Glade... Cultural Arts Assemblies, Social Studies/Science Fair, Race for Education, Book Fair, Staff Appreciation, Moms and Muffins and Dads and Donuts, Fall Fest, May Fair, subscriptions all our children enjoy in class, technology upgrades and additions, and SO MUCH MORE!!! Every PTA member will receive an awesome car magnet you can use to show your Glade Pride, everywhere you go!! Magnets are being distributed with PTA Membership cards this month. Don't forget to join!