GLADE GAZETTE GLADE PTA NEWSLETTER



February 21, 2019

School Calendar

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

(Dates & Times Subject to Change)

Date	Event	Time
	MARCH	
6	Family Reading Night	6:40-8:00
7	Field Trip – Gr. 5 (Offutt/Little) ESSL	12:00-3:00
8	Spirit Day – Dress as your favorite Superhero Field Trip – Gr. 5 (Matusek/Horton) ESSL	12:00-3:00
11	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
13	Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
15	Spring Pictures	
18	PRE-K and KINDERGARTEN Registration Begins Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
20	Girls on the Run Social Studies and Science Fair	3:45-5:15 6-8pm
21	Field Trip – Gr. 1 Weinberg Center Field Trip – Gr. 3 Weinberg Center	9:15-11:30 11:30-1:45
25	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Girls on the Run PTA Board of Directors Meeting, Media	3:45-5:15 6:30
27	Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
29	Glade's Annual Talent Show, Café	7:00-9:00pm
	APRIL	
1	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Field Trip – Gr. 4 (Garrigan/Jenkins/Young) ESSL Girls on the Run PTA Meeting, Media Center	9:00-12:00 3:45-5:15 7pm
2	Field Trip – Gr. 4 (Hickman/Hyson) ESSL	9:00-12:00
3	Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
4	End of Term 3	
5	Schools Closed – Teacher Work Day	
8	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
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17	School Spirit Day Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
18-22	Schools Closed – Spring Break	
24	Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
29	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15

	MAY	
1	Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
3	School Spirit Day Moms n' Muffins, Café Gr. 1 – Wax Museum, Café	8:00-8:55 2:30
6	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Band Concert in school Girls on the Run	2:30 3:45-5:15
7	Teacher Appreciation Day Band Concert at WHS	7:00pm
3	School Nurse Day Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
10	2-Hour Early Dismissal (AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30) Walk/Bike to School Day	9:00-1:30
13	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Girls on the Run	3:45-5:15
14	Field Trip – Gr. 1 – National Zoo DC	9:00-3:15
15	Field Trip – Gr. 2 – Rosehill Manor Girls on the Run	10:00-11:30 3:45-5:15
16	Kindergarten Outdoor Classroom Day	
17	Cultural Arts Program PTA Mayfair	5:30-8:00pm
20	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument Girls on the Run PTA General Meeting, Media	3:45-5:15 6:30pm
21	Field Trip - Gr. 5 – DC – Museum of Natural History	9-3:15
22	Chorus Spring Concert, Café Girls on the Run	7:00pm 3:45-5:15
23	Field Trip – Gr. 3 – WJZ Field Trip Day @ Camden Yards	9:00-3:15
27	Schools Closed – Memorial Day	
29	Girls on the Run Volunteer Appreciation Celebration, Café	3:45-5:15 7:00pm
31	Dads n' Donuts, Café Field Trip – Kindergarten – Catoctin Zoo	8:00-8:55 9:15-2
	JUNE	
3	Band/Orchestra Students – bring your instrument 5 th Grade Picnic, Heritage Farm Park (rain date June 4)	10:30-2:30
5	Field Day (rain date June 6)	
7	Field Trip – Gr. 4 – Annapolis (<i>tentative</i>) 5 th Grade Celebration, Café	9:00-3:15 12:30-2:30
11	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 9:00-10:15 10:30-10:45 1:00

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

Dear Glade Families,

We have been focused on recognition of hard work and kindness throughout the year. Our school motto, *Work Hard, Be Kind* is something that we work to recognize and bring to life each and every day. There are so many wonderful examples each and every day in the school and from our community. Thank you all for supporting our school and our students. It means a lot and has an impact far beyond what any of us may realize.

There's no such things as a small act of kindness. Every act creates a ripple with no logical end - Scott Adams

State Assessments - A Measure of Learning

5th Grade Students will participate in Maryland Science Assessments next week starting Monday morning. These assessments are an important measure of what our fifth graders have learned in the area of Science education and their ability to think critically using their science knowledge.

School Attendance

One of the most important responsibilities we have as parents is to ensure regular and on-time attendance at school. It's not just important because it's the law; it also has a significant impact on the learning and well-being of children.

The establishment of relationships and routines helps all students to succeed in school. In the mornings, students may arrive at school at 8:30 as car-riders or walkers, and by 8:45 on the last bus. Morning announcements start promptly at 8:55 and then instruction begins immediately at 9:00. Being in class prior to announcements is important as children are able to organize materials, read the daily schedule, hand in any notes or papers to their teacher, get breakfast, or complete morning jobs and responsibilities.

Things to know related to attendance:

There is detailed information about all school procedures in your parent handbook, which is linked at the top of the Gazette and also on our school website.

- If a student is absent due to illness, a note must be sent to school explaining the reason for absence within two school days. This note will be directed to Donna Longwell, our attendance secretary, so that she may enter the absence as excused. If you forget to send in a note, you may also email one to the school at <u>Glade.ES@fcps.org</u>.
- We recognize and praise students for having excellent attendance. This Friday's SuperHero Spirit Day was selected by Mrs. McGee's afternoon Pre-K class for having the best attendance in the whole school during the month of February. They were here more than 98% of the time!
- In the rare case that a student has missed 10 days in a school year, any subsequent absence will require a doctor's note in order to be legally excused.
- > Five (5) or more absences in a term may result in a failing grade for that term.
- Twenty-seven (27) absences in a school year may result in the student being retained in their current grade for an additional year.

Science and Social Studies Fair

Thank you to John and Katy Dye, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. McNiesh and Mrs. Augustine for all of the behind the scenes work for upcoming Science and Social Studies Fairs. The organization for these happens months in advance and now we need community support to make it all happen. If you would consider volunteering to help out, please sign-up for a specific slot and task below. All hands are welcome and appreciated.

We have openings for judges, set up, and clean up. Go here to sign up!! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090d4caead22a4f49-glade1

Tuesday, March 19, 5-7pm. Set up tables, balloons, and placards in the gym.

Wednesday, March 20, 9am-12pm. We need 20 volunteers to help with judging. No experience necessary. Instructions will be provided AND you'll get FREE lunch.

Thursday, March 21, 5:30-7pm. Take down tables, balloons, and signage and clean up anything left behind.

Girls on the Run

For girls in grades 3rd–5th! An amazing program providing social-emotional curriculum with a fun running program. It's so much more than running. Check it out... <u>https://www.gotrmidmd.org/Our-Programs</u> There is still time and there are still spots available at Glade. Join the team and register at: <u>https://www.gotrmidmd.org/Register-Now</u>.

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 starts March 18. Please don't wait as this helps determine our class sizes. There will be a Pre-K and Kindergarten orientation for parents of incoming students in late spring. 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: <u>FCPS ENROLLMENT INFORMATION for Pre-K & Kindergarten for 2018-2019</u>

GLADE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Beginning March 18, you may register for PreK and/or Kindergarten during school hours from 9:00-3:00. We will also stay open until 7:00 on Monday for your convenience. (March 18, 9:00-7:00pm)

KINDERGARTEN REQUIREMENTS

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

EARLY ENTRANCE TO KINDERGARTEN

Children can be considered for early entrance to kindergarten if they're born 45 days after the regular kindergarten cutoff (10/15/2014). Applications will be accepted through May 31, 2019. Contact the school to set up an appointment.

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.**

INCLUSIVE PRE-K PROGRAMS

- 14 students in both the morning (9:00-11:30) and afternoon (1:00-3:30) classes includes:
 - Three years of age on or before September 1, 2019 for AM class (2 days: Mon/Wed or Thu/Fri)
 - Four years of age on or before September 1, 2019 for PM class (5 days: Mon-Fri)
 - o 7 students who have been identified with a disability through Child Find Services
 - 7 regular education students (may not be enrolled in another FCPS program)
- Parents must provide transportation.
- Students selected through a lottery. Applications available in the office. **Deadline Monday, April 30** by 4:00pm
- Parents will be notified by Friday, May 10.

The Arts are Alive and Well

Almost 100 students created an entry for a national competition called Doodle for Google. The winner is in with a chance to receive \$30,000 for their future education as well as winning \$50,000 for their school. There were some outstanding talents on display in these creations by students. Thank you to Mrs. McGraw for organizing and to students for taking part. Also, look for student creations on display in the school. The fifth graders recently worked on a project called Glade Cafe where they have designed coffee cups themed around our school.

Mrs. Cheek and Mr. Stevens continue to work with some outstanding singers in our Glade chorus. Their talents will be shared with the community during their spring concert and you'll be able to hear them at a Frederick Keys game in the late spring.

Kudos to our students in 4th and 5th grade who have been practicing and bringing their instruments each Monday. Their teachers have been working hard to reschedule instruction with all of the disruptions due to weather. Keep up the good work!

Teacher of the Year

This year's FCPS Teacher of the Year nominee for Glade is Mr. Zack Little! He has moved on to the quarter finals. We are very proud of Mr. Little for his dedication to the students and to our school. Did you know that Mr. Little has organized a student council for students this year? They have been working on a number of excellent projects to support the culture and wellness of our entire school.

Talent Show

Our annual Glade Talent Show will be held March 29 at 7:00pm in the Glade auditorium. Bring the family for an evening of entertainment. You will be impressed.

Yearbook Reminder

Paper orders must be submitted to school by Monday, March 18 – Please make checks payable to **"Lifetouch"**. Online ordering is **encouraged** and will remain open until April 21. https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order/LookupJob?jobnumber=11041919

Book Fair

Many thanks to Kim Raub and her fantastic team for making this year's book fair another success. There are so many volunteers to get this event going – set up crew, checking out book purchases, food donations and decorations.

March is Youth Art Month

March brings vibrant colors to brighten even the dreariest winter day in Frederick County when you visit the Frederick County Public Schools' All-County Student Art Exhibit at the Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center. We have six (6) students that are representing Glade in the FCPS Youth Art Month Show. They are <u>Gr. K</u>: Khloe Novak, Natalie Peterson; Gr<u>. 2</u>: Edward Manninen, Gianna Walmsley; <u>Gr. 5</u>: Abby Colwell, Jayden Boyd. Open free to the public, the exhibit will feature more than 300 imaginative two and three-dimensional creations by students from each public school. The show continues through March 31 during the Delaplaine's usual hours, 9-5 Mondays-Saturdays and 11-5 Sundays. The Center is at 40 S. Carroll Street in downtown Frederick. The gallery is also open some evening hours when the Center offers classes; for the evening schedule, please call 301-698-0656 or visit <u>www.delaplaine.org</u>.

Yours in Education, Mr. ÓhEithir & Mrs. Stuart

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: <u>http://www.fcps.org/weather</u>.

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. <u>www.fcps.org</u> 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 <u>http://www.fcps.org/centraloffice/fcps-television</u>
- 3. FCPS Facebook https://www.facebook.com/FCPSMaryland
- 4. FCPS Twitter <u>https://twitter.com/fcpsmaryland</u>
- 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, schoolsponsored 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 <u>FCPS Calendar Handbook</u>, 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: <u>https://fcps.ezcommunicator.net/edu/Frederick/GetFile.aspx?DocId=5581</u> 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.





Math: Let's Figure It Out! (Tips, News, and Everything Math from Ms. Jenkins)



Topic: Only some people are good at math.

Students often come to math class with preconceived notions about who is good at math and who is not. Let's clarify, because anyone can be a great mathematician!

- Everyone can do math at a high level. Your mind is a muscle. It has plasticity and can grow. Math makes your brain grow.
- Success in anything comes from having a growth mindset compared to a fixed mindset. When you have a growth mindset you believe that you can achieve a goal. You may not be there, YET, but you will get there. A fixed mindset means that you have already decided what you can and cannot do, including math. Believe in yourself. Be persistent and persevere.
- Mistakes make your brain grow. The saying is true, "You learn from your mistakes." Math is all about trying new ideas and strategies to discover what works and what doesn't!
- Speed is not the most important element in math. What is most important is to understand math concepts and connect them with one another and with the real world around you.
- Watch the video below to review these ideas with your child.

https://www.youcubed.org/resources/four-boosting-messages-jo-students/ (video)

https://bhi61nm2cr3mkdgk1dtaov18-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/teacher-articleyoucubed2.pdf

(More fascinating research about kids and their perceptions of who they are as mathematicians.)



<u>Counselor's announcement</u>

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

This month for our Leader in Me lessons, we learned about **Habit #5 SEEK FIRST TO UNDERSTAND THEN TO BE UNDERSTOOD!**

Bottom line is listen before you speak. It's hard to wait patiently sometimes, especially when we REALLLLLYYYYY want to say something. We read the story <u>My Mouth is a Volcano</u> where the character Louis always interrupts. His words erupt (like a volcano) and he interrupts his friends, his teachers and his family. Louis quickly learns how it feels when others start interrupting him. We worked on ways to hold it in and manage those thoughts and words. At school it's important to raise our hand and wait to be called on. At home, things are probably a bit different, but regardless, we are thinking of others and trying to understand their view/feelings and then move onto our thoughts/words.

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 <u>http://ges.sites.fcps.org/attendance</u>. To review the entire FCPS policy, please visit page 38 of the FCPS Calendar Handbook.

<u>Address change</u>: 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.

<u>Wellness–Food Use</u>: 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.

<u>Weapons</u>: 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. 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 <u>24 hours</u> 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.