



November 2016

SPARTAN HERALD

<http://rea.frederick.k12.va.us>

Dear Parents:

The 2016-17 school year is already a quarter of the way completed. We hope your student is off to a great start and having a productive year so far. Athletically we have just concluded our fall sports season. Thanks to all our athletes and coaches for their accomplishments thus far! Congrats again to our Lady Spartan Cross Country runners on their championship season. Thank you to our parents for supporting your child's participation and representing our school in a positive light. Boys basketball & wrestling tryouts will begin the week of Oct. 31. We are in need of wrestlers to participate in our program.

Academically, the first nine weeks has come to a close with report cards being prepped to come home on Tuesday, Nov. 1. As we begin the second marking period, take time to monitor your child's grades through the Tyler Parent/Student 360. A recent look at activity levels revealed that only about 13% of our parents have logged onto the system. Please contact our guidance office if you need help with Tyler. Parents can view grades on a daily basis with updates being made as soon as teachers enter grades.

Tyler also contains attendance information, missing assignments, make up work, and important test, quiz or project dates. Please keep in mind that many teachers have added a "Google Classroom" as a method to hold all of their classroom info. You should be able to make access to the Google Classroom via your child's Chromebook.

The Mentoring, Academic, and Tutoring Program (MAT) is in full swing every Tuesday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Teachers are available to provide tutoring and homework assistance to any student that has parent permission to stay. Many high school students volunteer their time each week to act as mentors to our students and become positive role models for the boys and girls. The students get a snack each week and participate in some wonderful team building activities that will help to develop character, respect and trust in each other. We are also looking to add some limited transportation stops for students to allow them to participate in MAT here in Stephens City and Middletown.

Clubs and activities of interest include: TSA, FBLA, FCCLA, SCA, FFA, Accents Magazine, Math Counts, and Flag Corp. The major key to a students' success in middle school is getting involved. Please encourage your child to participate! Lastly, the R.E. Aylor Band and Choral programs are all working hard in preparation for their winter concerts and trip to the White House. Breaking News: Aylor Dance Team tryouts will start on Tuesday, Nov. 1.

In closing, know that our faculty and staff are excited to be working with your children.

We encourage you to listen actively to your son or daughter, take the time to build independence and responsibility, to engage in thoughtful discussions, and to remain active in your child's education. Aylor is again celebrating our academic success as a fully accredited Virginia Middle School. We value each of our Aylor families and we need your support in this partnership to continue to help our students be the best that they can be! Please feel free to attend any school event or to contact your child's teacher, counselor or administrator if you have any questions regarding their progress.

Sincerely,

David L. Rudy II
Principal



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER



1		Report Cards Issued
1-4		Book Fair (Parent night - 11/2 3-6:30pm)
3		School Picture Retakes/make ups
8		No School (election day)
9	7pm	PTSO Meeting (library)
10-11		All County Band @Byrd
15		End of 6th Grades 1st rotation of Exploratory
17	5-7:30pm	GAP Movie Night (library)
23		No School
24		No School
25		No School

NOVEMBER

FCPS Rapid Communication System Text Messages

The Frederick County Public Schools' Rapid Communication System includes a SMS text message function. In order to receive text messages sent through the FCPS Rapid Communication System, parents must have the phone number of the device on which they want to receive text alerts included on their child's student record. In addition, they must opt-in to receiving the text messages if they have not done so previously. To opt-in, text "Yes" to 67587 from the device on which you want to receive text messages. Once the opt-in process has been completed, you will receive a confirmation text message. The FCPS Rapid Communication System is used to contact parents in a variety of situations ranging from severe weather and power outages to other emergencies that may cause a school to evacuate, relocate or lock-down. The system also is utilized to inform parents when schools are closed, opening late or closing early due to inclement weather. Individual schools also utilize the system to communicate information to their school communities.

HOMEWORK REQUESTS

Homework can be requested for your child after he/she has been absent for three or more consecutive days.

Make-up homework needs to be requested by 10:30 am and will be available after 3:00pm.
The office closes at 4:00pm

Keep Information Up-to-Date

Please be sure to contact the school whenever any of your child's contact information changes. It is important that the school has correct contact information for each student's parents/guardians. Whenever a home phone number, cell phone number or email address changes, please contact the school so that our records can be updated. Without the correct contact information, we are not able to effectively communicate and reach you in the event of an emergency. Thank you!

Bus Notes/ Transportation Changes

If your child is riding the bus home with another student or will be picked up early by another student's parent, BOTH students MUST have signed permission notes from their parent/guardian.

Arrangements must be made prior to students leaving home in the morning. Students will not be permitted to call home to initiate a change in transportation.

Reporting Student Absences

When students will be absent, the parent/guardian must notify the school by calling 540-869-3736 or report the absence using the REAMS web site under Quick Links. If you are unable to notify the school in advance, please send a written explanation for the student's absence.

Tardy Policy

Classes start at 7:55 am. Students who are tardy to school must report to the main office to receive a tardy pass. After 3 unexcused tardies (per marking period) the student will receive an after school detention.



SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

Frederick County Public Schools in Virginia is seeking applicants for **SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS**. Candidates must have a good driving record, have or obtain a Commercial Driver's License (CDL), successfully complete training, be able to maintain order and discipline and be able to calmly respond to emergency situations. A high school diploma or GED is preferred. Benefits include health insurance, sick leave, personal leave, retirement and life insurance.

Salary range \$61.97 - \$118.76 per day.

Visit our website www.frederick.k12.va.us to complete an on-line application.

Click on *Jobs* and then *Alto* to fill out the application.

For more information please call

Elizabeth Keplinger,

Coordinator of School Bus

Driver Recruiting and Training

(540) 667-2770 Ext. 88410

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AYLOR'S GOT TALENT

We normally have this event in November but it will be held in April of 2017.

More information to come in future newsletters!!!





YEARBOOK SALES



TO GUARANTEE YOUR CHILD RECEIVES A YEARBOOK FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR YOU MUST GO ONLINE AND PRE PAY!

STEPS FOR ORDERING A 2016/2017 YEARBOOK

Go to www.splendidportraits.com

Choose **Q-Z Schools**

Select Robert E. Aylor

Enter quantity

Add to cart

Check out

Enter student information

Billing information

Shipping information

(ALL YEARBOOKS WILL BE SHIPPED TO AYLOR)

Yearbook Online Prices

8/1/16 - 1/1/17 - online price \$30

1/2/17 - 4/1/17 - online price \$35

Nurses Corner

NOVEMBER- AMERICAN DIABETES MONTH

What is diabetes?



Diabetes is a group of diseases marked by high levels of blood glucose resulting from defects in insulin production, insulin action, or both. Diabetes can lead to serious complications and premature death, but people with diabetes, working together with their support network and their health care providers, can take steps to control the disease and lower the risk of complications.

The vision of the American Diabetes Association is a life free of diabetes and all of its burdens. Raising awareness of this ever-growing disease is one of the main efforts behind the mission of the Association. American Diabetes Month® (ADM) is an important element in this effort, with programs designed to focus the nation's attention on the issues surrounding diabetes and the many people who are impacted by the disease.

Here are just a few of the recent statistics on diabetes:

- Nearly 26 million children and adults in the United States have diabetes.
- Another 79 million Americans have prediabetes and are at risk for developing type 2 diabetes.
- The American Diabetes Association estimates that the total national cost of diagnosed diabetes in the United States is \$245 billion.

Under 20 years of age

- 215,000, or 0.26% of all people in this age group have diabetes
- About 1 in every 400 children and adolescents has diabetes

American Diabetes Month takes place each November and is a time to come together as a community to Stop Diabetes®!

References:

<http://www.diabetes.org/in-my-community/programs/american-diabetes-month/>

<http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/pubs/factsheet11.htm>

MAT PROGRAM

The MAT program (Mentors, Academics, and Teamwork) will meet on the following Tuesdays in November:

11/1
11/15
11/22
11/29

If your student needs extra help with homework or studying, the MAT program is the place to be! We have Sherando students and Aylor teachers available to help your student. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Demorest or Mrs. Salvatore.









November

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Frederick County Middle Schools

School Meals: The Real Deal

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 ORIENTAL CHICKEN w/ice or BBQ PORK RIB on Bun Choose 1 or 2 STEAMED CARROTS SNAPPY GREEN BEANS Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PINEAPPLE CUP FORTUNE COOKIE	2 TURKEY SUB or STEAK & CHEESE SUB Choose 1 or 2 GOLDEN CORN PINTO BEANS Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT APPLE SAUCE	3 HOT DOG on bun or CRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH Choose 1 or 2 TOMATO SOUP w/crackers TATER TOTS Choose 1 FRESH GRAPES MIXED FRUIT CUP	4 CHICKEN TENDERS w/roll or SHRIMP POTTERS w/CHEESE STICK, BREAD STICK Choose 1 or 2 BROCCOLI UMAIG CUP Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PEACH CUP
7 PRC PULLED PORK on Bun or HAM & CHEESE on Croissant Choose 1 or 2 BAKED BEANS TATER TOTS Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PEAR CUP	 <p style="text-align: center;">NO SCHOOL</p>	9 PIZZA or TACO w/meat & cheese Choose 1 or 2 CRUNCHY CARROTS w/dip SNAPPY GREEN BEANS BLACK BEAN & CORN SALSA Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT APPLE SAUCE	10 CORN DOG or FISH SQUARE on bun Choose 1 or 2 GREEN PEAS TOMATO CUP Choose 1 FRESH GRAPES MIXED FRUIT CUP CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP w/sidekick	11 CHICKEN NUGGETS w/roll or MACARON AND CHEESE w/roll Choose 1 or 2 BROCCOLI SWEET POTATOES Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PEACH CUP 
14 TACO w/meat or COLD CUT on bun Choose 1 or 2 BEFRIED BEANS GOLDEN CORN Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PEAR CUP	15 PIZZA STICKS w/sauce or BURRITO BURRITO Choose 1 or 2 GREEN LEPY SALAD SNAPPY GREEN BEANS SALSA Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PINEAPPLE CUP	16 HOT DOG on bun or FISH SQUARE on bun Choose 1 or 2 MASHED POTATOES TOMATO CUP Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT APPLE SAUCE 	17 ROAST TURKEY w/roll or BAKED CHICKEN w/roll Choose 1 or 2 MASHED POTATOES w/ gravy BREAD STUFFING GREEN PEAS Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT MIXED FRUIT CUP COOKIE	18 PIZZA or CORN DOG Choose 1 or 2 BROCCOLI TATER TOTS Choose 1 PEACH CUP FRESH FRUIT
21 NACHOS w/ cheese & meat or TURKEY on croissant Choose 1 or 2 PARSLY POTATOES GOLDEN CORN Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PEAR CUP	22 CHEESEBURGER on bun or HOT DOG on bun Choose 1 or 2 PINTO BEANS POTATO WIDDER Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PINEAPPLE CUP 	23 <p style="text-align: center;">NO SCHOOL</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">NO SCHOOL</p>	25 <p style="text-align: center;">NO SCHOOL</p>
26 SLOPPY JOE on bun or HAM & CHEESE on bun Choose 1 or 2 CRYN BAKED FRIER COLE SLAW Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PEAR CUP	29 CHICKEN NUGGETS w/roll or SALISBURY STEAK w/roll Choose 1 or 2 MASHED POTATOES CHICKEN GRAVY CRUNCHY CARROTS w/dip Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT PINEAPPLE CUP	31 PIZZA STICKS w/sauce or COLD CUT SUB Choose 1 or 2 GREEN LEPY SALAD PINTO BEANS Choose 1 FRESH FRUIT APPLE SAUCE		Note: Additional Fruits & vegetables may be offered daily. Students must select at least 1/2 cup of a fruit and/or vegetable.

All meals are served with a variety of low fat or skim milk daily.

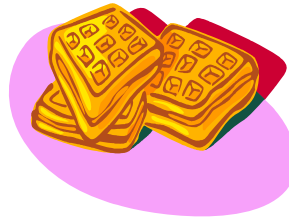
***Additional Meal Choices:** Offered Daily
 Salad w/ soft pretzels or Yogurt w/ soft pretzels

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FREDERICK COUNTY MIDDLE & ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST MENU 2016-2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><u>Choose 1</u></p> <p>Strawberry Shortcake</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Pancakes w/Syrup</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Yogurt w/Graham Crackers</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Cereal w/Toast</p> <p><u>Choose 1 or 2</u></p> <p>Assorted Fruit Choice</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Juice</p>	<p><u>Choose 1</u></p> <p>Mini Waffles</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Sausage Gravy Over Biscuit</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Yogurt w/Graham Crackers</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Cereal w/Toast</p> <p><u>Choose 1 or 2</u></p> <p>Assorted Fruit Choice</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Juice</p>	<p><u>Choose 1</u></p> <p>Apple Crisp</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Egg and Cheese on a Biscuit</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Yogurt Parfait</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Cereal w/Toast</p> <p><u>Choose 1 or 2</u></p> <p>Assorted Fruit Choice</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Juice</p>	<p><u>Choose 1</u></p> <p>Chicken Patty on a Biscuit</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Pizza Breakfast Bagel</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Yogurt Parfait</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Cereal w/Toast</p> <p><u>Choose 1 or 2</u></p> <p>Assorted Fruit Choice</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Juice</p>	<p><u>Choose 1</u></p> <p>Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>Or</p> <p>French Toast Sticks w/Syrup</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Yogurt w/Graham Crackers</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Cereal w/Toast</p> <p><u>Choose 1 or 2</u></p> <p>Assorted Fruit Choice</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Juice</p>

Breakfast - \$1.40
 Lunch - \$2.85
 Reduced breakfast - .30
 Reduced lunch - .40



The Importance of Eating Breakfast

Research confirms that breakfast is the most important meal of the day for children's health, academic achievement, cognitive development and mental health. Unfortunately, many children regularly skip breakfast each morning, depriving them of the important benefits associated with the morning meal. In fact, though most schools in the United States offer the School Breakfast Program, less than a quarter of all students and less than half of the students who are eligible for a free or reduced price breakfast are eating it. In Frederick County, of the 4,355 students who qualify for free or reduced meals, on average, only 1,191 eat breakfast each day. At Aylor, of the 33% plus students who qualify for F/R meals, on average, only 26 students eat breakfast each day. Please encourage your children to eat breakfast at school in the mornings, If they don't get to school on time to sit down in the cafeteria to eat, we also have a program called "Grab and Go" where students can grab their breakfast and take it to their first period class. Thank you for encouraging your child to participate in the breakfast program.





Parents or guardians are encouraged to use the online payment system, MySchoolBucks, to pay school activity fees, and place money on a student's cafeteria account. Parents are able to view current account balances, review recent purchases, receive low balance alerts, and setup recurring payments on a weekly or monthly basis if desired. Once the payment is made, a receipt is automatically sent to the purchaser and teacher notifying them the payment has been received. Visa and MasterCard are accepted 24 hours a day. The website is user friendly and allows you to self register.

Register on the school's website or on the FCPS homepage. Look for the MySchoolbucks payment link.

myschoolbucks.com

GOOD NEWS, GOOD NEWS!!!!!!

You may now use your Visa, Mastercard or Discover card in the office for all items that are available on Myschoolbucks, such items include: class fees, field trips, etc.



2016 Speak Up Survey

The brief, anonymous survey provides parents, students, educators and members of the community with the opportunity to share their views on key educational issues, particularly concerning digital learning and the use of technology in schools. Please visit <http://bit.ly/SU16survey> and take the survey. The local results will help guide decisions related to educational technology.

The Performing Arts Department has been selected to perform at the National Christmas Tree in front of The White House on Friday, 12/16. The performance is FREE and open to the public. We would love to have some familiar faces in the audience. Our scheduled performance time is 5-5:30pm. We will then travel to the National Theater to see the Broadway production "The Grinch".



Counseling Corner

Lexi Rogers	6th Grade	rogerrsj@fcpsk12.net
Laonna Rauser	7th Grade	rauserl@fcpsk12.net
Eric Demorest	8th Grade	demorese@fcpsk12.net
Tonya Smith	Secretary	smitht@fcpsk12.net
Ph:(540) 869-3736	Ext: 80193	Fax:(540) 869-5180

How to refer a student to the Guidance Office:

- Students can come to the office on their own (self referral)
- Teachers can refer students to the counselor and then the students are called to come to our office (teacher referral)
- Parents can call into our office and request that a counselor talk with their student (parent referral)

NEW! Robert E. Aylor Guidance Website

Please visit our website to view videos, information and resources. Topics included are career, academics, character education, self harm and community resources. In addition, parents can fill out a parent referral under the "Referrals" tab and it will be sent to your student's grade level counselor. Also included is a comprehensive list (including specialties) of professional counselors in our area, which can be found under the "Community Resources" tab.

<https://sites.google.com/fcpsk12.net/reamsschoolcounseling>

SOL TESTING SCHEDULE FOR SPRING 2017

March 6-16 - 8th Grade writing Test
May 1-26 - 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Non-Writing Tests

DID YOU KNOW? The parent portal offers secure, real-time access to grades, assignments, missing work and much more. Many smart phones even have a Tyler SIS app in the app store you can download.

If you have not received your username and password, please contact Mrs. Smith in guidance.

AYLOR'S SPORTS PAGE

Athletic Admissions

\$3 - Adults and middle/high school students

FREE - Elementary Students

WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 17 - Daniel Morgan (away)

Thursday, December 1 - Admiral Byrd (away)

Tuesday, December 6 - James Wood (away)

Thursday, December 8 - Frederick County (home)

Monday, December 12 - Daniel Morgan (home)

Tuesday, December 13 - Admiral Byrd (home)

Thursday, December 15 - Warren County (home)

Tuesday, December 20 - James Wood (home)

Tuesday, January 10 - Frederick County (away)

Saturday, January 14 - FCJL Championships (home)

Boy's Basketball Schedule

Thursday, November 17 - Daniel Morgan (home)

Monday, November 21 - Warren County (home)

Thursday, December 1 - Admiral Byrd (home)

Tuesday, December 6 - James Wood (home)

Thursday, December 8 - Frederick County (away)

Monday, December 12 - Daniel Morgan (away)

Tuesday, December 13 - Admiral Byrd (away)

Tuesday, December 20 - James Wood (away)

Wednesday, January 4 - Johnson Williams (home)

Tuesday, January 10 - Frederick County (home)

Thursday, January 12 - Mt. View Christian (home)

Tuesday, January 17 - FCJL (high seed)

Wednesday, January 18 - 7th grade championships (Admiral Byrd)

Thursday, January 19 - 8th grade championships (Admiral Byrd)

2016/2017 student Council Association

PRESIDENT - Colby Barham

VICE PRESIDENT - Cadence Hartzell

REASURER - Quinna Molden

SECRETARY - Kaitlyn Murrow

PARLIAMENTARIAN - Nick Pearson

HISTORIAN - Emily Woolever

8TH GRADE SENATORS: Tellinna Force, Jacob Greene, Marissa Salyers and Avery Wilson.

7TH GRADE SENATORS: Alyssa Eckstein, Kylie Gill, Avery Lunde and Stella Wallin.

6TH GRADE SENATORS: Aysia Payton and Ryleigh Combs.

LIBRARY NEWS

Ahoy there, BOOKANEERS! The book fair is back, with pirates, parrots, and a treasure of books to explore! Next week, English Classes will be visiting the book fair following this schedule:

MONDAY - Miss Taylor's classes

TUESDAY - Miss Clagg, and Miss Gagen's classes

WEDNESDAY - Mrs. Colbert-Somberville's, Mrs. Hyatt's, Mr. Wells, Mrs. Monahan's, Mr. Deignan's, and Miss Lynch's classes

THURSDAY - Mrs. Proko's and Miss Heare's classes

FRIDAY - open to anyone

We will stay open late on Wednesday, November 2nd, to accommodate parents. Remember that there will be a raffle for all parents who visit the fair, so enter your name! All proceeds benefit our library. We can't wait to share with you our "treasure" of books!

FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

August 2016

When a storm brings snow, ice, freezing rain, flooding, or other hazardous conditions to Frederick County or an emergency situation occurs, care for safety may necessitate closing schools, dismissing early, or opening them later than usual in the morning.

WHEN THE DECISION IS MADE

If weather conditions occur that make it obvious our schools will not be able to operate the following day, an announcement for the next day is sent out on the FCPS Rapid Communications System and is communicated to radio and television stations. If the situation is uncertain or a storm develops during the night, the decision is not made and announced until early the following morning. A decision for the county must be made no later than 5:30 a.m. in order for announcements to be made in a timely manner.

HOW THE DECISION IS MADE

The assistant superintendent for administration, director of transportation, and other transportation employees check weather and road conditions in different sections of the county. They also coordinate with the highway department, public safety officials, and each other. In addition, school officials take a firsthand look by driving some county school-bus routes. The next step may involve checking with other school superintendents, particularly those in Winchester City, Clarke, Shenandoah, and Warren Counties. Finally, a recommendation from the assistant superintendent for administration and the director of transportation is presented to the superintendent, and a final decision is made.

LINES OF COMMUNICATION

After a decision to close school or delay opening is made, an announcement is sent out on the FCPS Rapid Communications System and is communicated to radio and TV stations listed below:

Radio Station Call List	
WINC 92.5FM/1400AM	WRNR 740AM
WUSQ 102.5FM/WFQX 99.3FM	WSIG 96.9FM
WZRV 95.3FM/WFTR1450AM	WBOP 106.3FM
WKMZ 97.5FM/WPEM 1340AM	WFTX 610AM
WYII 95.9FM	

TV Station Call List	
Cable Channel 18	Channel 4 (WRC-TV)
WHSV Harrisonburg	Channel 5 (WTTG-TV)
Channel 25 Hagerstown	Channel 7(WJLA-ABC7)
Channel 99 (WAZT)	Channel 9 (WUSA TV9)

The decision will be broadcast shortly after the station is called. In addition, Frederick County Public Schools' information line at 540-722-6443 or 540-662-3889, ext. 6, and Cable Channel 18 will have information on emergency school closings.

Frederick County Public Schools also utilizes a free e-mail service that will notify parents immediately of announced school closings or opening delays. Parents with the ability to receive e-mail may register free of charge at www.schools-out.com. In the event of school closings or cancellations, parents who subscribe to the service will receive an e-mail message sent to the address that they specify notifying them of schedule changes. This is a free service provided to the school division and control of the www.schools-out.com site rests with the non-profit group that sponsors the site. Additionally, the information may be accessed by going to the Frederick County Public Schools web site at www.frederick.k12.va.us and clicking on

the "Info for Parents" graphic on the opening screen.

It is important that parents and students not telephone the stations for information about school closings. Such efforts may block delivery of the very information the individual wishes to obtain by preventing a call from a school official with the announcement.

ONE-HOUR DELAY

The one-hour delay schedule is employed when the weather situation is not sharply defined or when some roads are not clear and daylight will improve safety. A decision on this must also be made by 5:30 a.m. Use of the delay means that all schedules are moved one hour later. For example, a student who usually boards a school bus at 7:30 a.m. will be picked up at 8:30 a.m. Use of the delay allows schools to operate a full day if conditions significantly improve after 6:30 a.m. On occasion, if weather conditions worsen, schools will be closed and the announcement made before 7:30 a.m.

TWO-HOUR DELAY

A two-hour delay may, at times, be announced. When this occurs, students will be picked up two hours later than usual, and no breakfast will be served at school.

EARLY DISMISSAL

A storm can develop or conditions become hazardous at anytime in the morning necessitating an early closing. If this occurs, the high schools will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m., middle schools at 12:15 p.m., and elementary schools at 1:00 p.m. When early dismissal is announced, parents may go to the schools and pick up their children. We ask your cooperation in parking to avoid dangerous situations for students and buses. During serious weather conditions, these times may be changed and announced on the identified communication channels.

DIFFERING ROAD CONDITIONS

The condition of relatively narrow secondary roads bears heavily on the decision to close schools as well as to reopen them. Sometimes patrons ask why

schools are not in session after students have been out a day or two and roads in Winchester and the suburbs are clear. The decision for the entire school system is made in relation to the condition of all roads in Frederick County. Many times city and suburban streets are in good condition for travel, but some secondary roads remain icy and very dangerous.

Frederick County has approximately 650 miles of highways. This includes 26 miles of I-81, 101 miles of primary highways, and 523 miles of secondary roads, including 172 miles of unpaved roads. The heavily traveled routes (I-81, Rt. 37, and U.S. 11, 50, and 522) are always cleared prior to secondary roads.

EMERGENCY SNOW-SCHEDULE ROUTES

If icy conditions persist, it may be necessary to operate schools and have reduced bus routes. If this occurs, the radio announcement will state that buses will operate on the emergency schedule. Parents on roads where buses will not operate should get their children to the location designated on the emergency snow schedule until the bus can resume its regular route. This information will be sent to parents living on the emergency snow-schedule routes.

BAD WEATHER DAYS IN SCHOOL CALENDAR

The School Board reserves the right to change the calendar in relation to holiday observance and make-up days (see school board policy). Seven (7) inclement weather days are built into the 2016-17 school calendar. The first five days missed are made up one for one. If more than five teaching days are missed, one day will be made up for each two days missed, in excess of 5 and up to 9 make-up days. Fourteen or more teaching days missed will require subsequent school board action to adjust the school calendar.

CONCERN FOR SAFETY

Any decision about closing schools is made with safety of the students as the primary concern.

If you will volunteer at any school functions this year we need for you to fill out the volunteer form listed below!

Robert E. Aylor Middle School
Volunteer Form

The Volunteer Form must be completed yearly. Please fill out the form and return it to REAMS. Your name will be forwarded to the Frederick County School Board for approval. After approval your name will be added to our volunteer list for the current school year.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Cell phone: _____ Email: _____

Name(s) of students @ REAMS: _____

Please list any particular areas that you wish to volunteer (examples: library, chorus, band, PTSO)

*******NEWSLETTER*******

We post the newsletter on our school website each month as well as send it out through Peachjar. If you would like to receive a physical copy in the mail, please email Christina Hughes at hughesc@fcpsk12.net for your name to be added to the list.

ROBERT E. AYLOR MIDDLE SCHOOL
901 AYLOR ROAD
STEPHENS CITY, VA 22655

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Winchester, VA

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www.frederick.k12.va.us/rea*

Frederick County Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination process: John Linaburg, Title IX Coordinator/Lynette Johnson, Section 504 Coordinator, 1415 Amherst Street, Winchester, VA 22601 (540) 662-3888. For further information on notice of non-discrimination, see list of OCR enforcement offices for the address and phone number of the office that serves your area or call 1-800-421-3481.

