



September 2017

SPARTAN HERALD

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

Dear Parent and Guardians:

Welcome back! I hope this September Spartan newsletter follows a successful start to our new school year for 2017-18. Our students have quickly transitioned to their school routines, and we are pleased with their readiness to jump right in and begin the school year. I appreciate the part our students and parents have played in assisting each other with the transition from summer to school schedules.

Fall athletic programs are in full force and have been practicing for about a month. We are all getting excited for the season to officially begin. Cross country will have their first meet on September 7th at Sherando Park at 5:00 pm, girls' basketball opens on Wednesday, September 6th at 5:00 pm at Aylor against Admiral Byrd Middle School. Football opens on Tuesday against Frederick County Middle School at 5:00 pm. This game will be held at James Wood High School. All teams will continue with weekly games through the third week of October. We look forward to seeing each and every one of you supporting our athletic teams.

We will also be offering after school activities and clubs for students in all grades starting in September. These activities are in addition to the co-curricular organizations. Students may participate in FFA, FCCLA, FBLA, TSA, yearbook (7th & 8th only) and others. Information on all clubs offered is available at the school. We appreciate all the community members, parents and staff who give their time to sponsor, coach and support our club activities. We encourage our students to participate in an activity outside of the school day as we feel this helps in academic performance and strengthens their connections to the school.

We welcome parent conferences and they can be set up at any time during the school year by contacting the guidance office. By the middle of September, all parents should receive information on our grading system with a login that will allow you to see your students grades on a daily basis. If you do not receive this or can no longer get on, please contact our guidance office.

We look forward to working together with your student to maximize their potential and experience at Robert E. Aylor Middle School. Know that the Spartan staff works very hard each day to help your child to be the best student and individual he/she can be. We hope you have had a great start to the school year and look forward to the many successes of all our students.

Sincerely,

Becky Harden
Assistant Principal

SEPTEMBER 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, 9/1/17		NO SCHOOL
Monday, 9/4/17		NO SCHOOL
Tuesday, 9/5/17	7:00 p.m.	School Board Meeting
Friday, 9/8/17		Last Day to Join FFA
Wednesday, 9/13/17	5:00-7:30 p.m.	Musical Auditions (café)
Wednesday, 9/13/17	3:00-4:00 p.m.	FFA Meeting (Ag Shop)
Friday, 9/15/17	5:00-7:00 p.m.	Musical Auditions (café)
Tuesday, 9/26/17		Picture Day



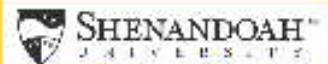
Save the Date!

Come join us

COLLEGE FAIR

Apple Blossom Mall
Sept. 27, 6 p.m.
Over 100 Colleges!

Open to students from Clarke County, Frederick County, Page County, Shenandoah County, Rappahannock County, Warren County, Winchester City and students from the Eastern Panhandle.



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CLASS FEES

All elective class fees are now due. Please forward cash or check (payable to REAMS). You may also pay all elective class fees at MySchoolbucks.com If you are unsure if you've paid the elective class fees, please feel free to call Mrs. Herbaugh, bookkeeper.



Check writing requirements

All checks must be printed with the following information:

Name

Address

Phone number with area code

Checks must be pre-printed (no counter checks)

2017/2018 PTSO BOARD

PRESIDENT-Ashley Burdick

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MARTINS

**Aylor School ID
#20407**

Beginning 10/6/17 Robert E. Aylor has the opportunity to participate in and earn CASH from A+ Rewards, a great fundraising program run through your local Martins!

Please note:

You do NOT need to re-register your card if your school selection(s) remain the same as last year.

To participate beginning 9/11/17:

Visit www.martinsfoods.com and select **Savings & Rewards**. Follow the prompts to create your online account. You need your 11 digit BONUSCARD number and the School ID #.

If you don't know your Bonus-Card Number call 1-888-562-7846 OPTION 1

***Use your BonusCard each time you shop at Martins, and you will earn CASH for Aylor. Encourage your family members and friends to support our school.**

FFA ACTIVITIES FOR SEPTEMBER

Friday, 9/8 - Last Day to pay for FFA dues
Friday, 9/8 - All orders for BBQ chicken and Country Ham dinners due
Wednesday, 9/13 - FFA Meeting - permission slip will go out soon
Tuesday, 9/19 - Area leadership workshop - Strasburg
Friday, 9/29 - Jr. Dairyman's Contest - Virginia State Fair
Friday, 9/15 - BBQ Chicken Pick up - 3:30 to 6:00 p.m. at Aylor Ag Dept.
Friday, 9/15 - Welcome Back Breakfast - 7:20 a.m. - library

Speak Up, Stay Safe

Keeping schools safe is everyone's responsibility. If you see suspicious activity, report it to school staff and the authorities. Suspicious activity may include: a vehicle or individual in an odd or concealed location; and unattended package or backpack; individuals seeking information about a school, its operations or security procedures beyond mere curiosity; or unusual, repeated or prolonged observation of school buildings, bus stops or students. Contact the Frederick County Sheriff's Office at 540-662-6168

For the students' protection, if medical insurance is not currently provided through the parents' employer or individual plans, parents are strongly encouraged to purchase insurance from a private vendor or the student accident insurance program available through the school division vendor—The Young Group, Inc. Information about plan types and enrollment instructions can be found online. Go to your child's school website, click on [Parents and Students](#) then [Health Services](#) then [Student Accident Insurance](#), where plan information and enrollment instructions are located. Enrollment and claim forms are also available in each school office.

Frederick County Public Schools' insurance plan does NOT provide medical coverage for accidents or injuries to students during school or during school-sponsored extracurricular activities.

*****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.

Counseling Corner

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Lexi Rogers	7th Grade	rogersj@fcpsk12.net
Laonna Rauser	8th Grade	rauserl@fcpsk12.net
Tonya Smith	Secretary	smitht@fcpsk12.net
Phone: 540-869-3736	Ext. 80193	Fax: 540-869-5180

FCPS Mobile App Now Available

Frederick County Public Schools has launched a custom mobile app that provides students, parents, staff and members of the community with instant access to a variety of school and division information. The new app is available at no cost from Apple's App Store or Google Play. Information that will be delivered through the app includes news, school calendars, student grades and assignments through Parent/Student 360, breakfast and lunch menus and bus routes. In addition, users can access MySchoolBucks to pay various school fees or add funds to a student's cafeteria account through the app.



Apple Mobile App QR Code Google Play Mobile App QR Code

Apply to Participate in FCPS 101

Frederick County Public Schools is launching a community engagement program called FCPS 101. The program will provide parents and others with an opportunity to learn about Frederick County Public Schools and its operations, including instructional and administrative services. Individuals interested in participating in FCPS 101 must submit the application form by Friday, September 15. The application and additional details about the program is available on the school division's website - www.frederick.k12.va.us

Parents and Guardians

You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.

You can participate in this free service* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number, 67587.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge™, so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.



**Opt-In from
your mobile
phone now!**



**Just send
"Y" or "Yes"
to 67587**

i Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:

SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

Aylor Spirit Wear Clothing Order Form 2017 - 2018

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

First Period Teacher: _____

Parent Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

Please complete the order form and attach your money. Order forms and payment should be returned to the main office or placed in Mrs. Pavlik's mailbox. Orders will be delivered to students' 1st period class.

Orders and payment can be made online. Go to MySchoolBucks.com & click on "fundraiser."

Orders will be taken through **FRIDAY, SEPT. 8, 2017**. Please be sure to mark the size AND color on the form. All clothing must be pre-ordered.

ITEM	SIZE (Circle Choice)	Color (Circle Choice)	QTY	PRICE	Total Cost
Short Sleeve T-Shirt	Youth Lg. S M L XL	Electric Green Gold Ash Gray		\$10.00	
Short Sleeve T-Shirt	2XL 3XL 4XL	Electric Green (Green only 2X & 3X) Gold Ash Gray		\$15.00	
Tie-Dye Short Sleeve T-Shirt	Youth Lg. S M L XL	Gold Kelly Green Neon Rainbow		\$15.00	
Tie-Dye Short Sleeve T-Shirt	2XL 3XL 4XL	Gold Kelly Green Neon Rainbow		\$20.00	
Hoodie Sweat-shirt	Youth Lg. S M L XL	Ash Gray Forest Green		\$25.00	
Hoodie Sweat-shirt	2XL 3XL 4XL	Ash Gray Forest Green		\$30.00	
TOTAL ATTACHED					

Orders will be delivered to the students during first period by the end of September



September

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Frederick County Middle School Meals: The Real Deal

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Note: Additional Fruits & vegetables may be offered daily. Students must select at least 1/2 cup of 1 fruit.</p>				<p>NO SCHOOL</p>
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<p>11 CHICKEN PATTY on bun or HAM & CHEESE on Croissant Choice 1 or 2 BAKED BEANS TATER TOTE Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT PEAR CUP</p>	<p>12 RAVIOLI w/cheese stick & roll or BIG BIRD BURRITO Choice 1 or 2 MILKY CORN SALSA GREEN LEAFY SALAD Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT PINEAPPLE CUP CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE</p>	<p>13 PIZZA or TACO w/meat & cheese Choice 1 or 2 OR: MASHY CARROTS w/dip SNAPPY GREEN BEANS BLACK BEAN & CORN SALSA Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT APPLESAUCE</p>	<p>14 CORN DOG or FISH SQUARE on bun Choice 1 or 2 GREEN BEANS TOMATO CUP Choice 1 FRESH GRAPES MIXED FRUIT CUP </p>	<p>15 CHICKEN NUGGETS w/roll or MALANGUNI AND CHEESE w/roll Choice 1 or 2 BROCCOLI SWEET POTATOES Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT PEACH CUP</p>
<p>16 NACHOS w/cheese & meat or TURKEY on croissant Choice 1 or 2 PARSLEY POTATOES MILKY CORN Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT PEAR CUP </p>	<p>17 CHICKEN AND CHEESE QUESADILLA or HOT DUO on bun Choice 1 or 2 PINTO BEANS POTATO WEDGES Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT PINEAPPLE CUP SALSA</p>	<p>18 PIZZA or CT HAM & CHEESE on bun Choice 1 or 2 GREEN LEAFY SALAD STEAMED CARROTS Choice 1 APPLESAUCE FRESH FRUIT SUGAR COOKIE</p>	<p>19 GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH or TUNA SALAD on bun Choice 1 or 2 VEGETABLE SOUP w/crackers TOMATO CUP Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT MIXED FRUIT CUP </p>	<p>20 Pork Rib w/roll or TILLY SQUARE w/roll Choice 1 or 2 BROCCOLI CRISPY CHICKEN & DIPS w/dip Choice 1 or 2 FRESH FRUIT PEACH CUP</p>
<p>21 SLOPPY JOE on bun or HAM & CHEESE on bun Choice 1 or 2 OVEN BAKED BEANS COLE SLAW Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT PEAR CUP</p>	<p>22 CHICKEN NUGGETS w/roll or SAUSAGE STEAK w/roll Choice 1 or 2 MASHED POTATOES w/ gravy CRUNCHY CARROTS w/dip Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT PINEAPPLE CUP</p>	<p>23 PIZZA STICKS w/sauce or MEATRAI SLIP Choice 1 or 2 GREEN LEAFY SALAD PINTO BEANS Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT APPLESAUCE</p>	<p>24 TANGAKES w/SAUSAGE or FRENCH TOAST w/EGG PATTY POTATO WEDGES Choice 1 JUICE MIXED FRUIT CUP</p>	<p>25 CHICKEN POT PIE or TUNA WRAP Choice 1 or 2 TOMATO CUP SNAPPY GREEN BEANS Choice 1 FRESH FRUIT PEACH CUP PUDDING</p>

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



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

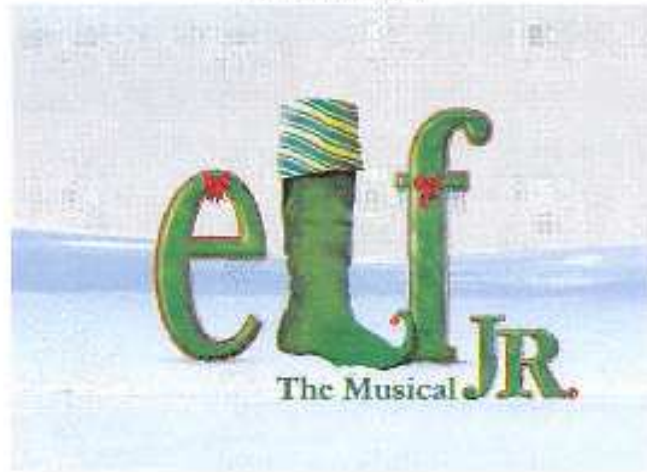
Gifted Education Information Series 2017-2018

The Gifted Education Information Series is a series of workshops developed and facilitated by the FCPS resource teachers for gifted education to be offered throughout the school year. These workshop sessions will provide parents, teachers, and interested persons an opportunity to attend informational sessions on various topics related to the programs and services available to students eligible for gifted services in Frederick County Public Schools. If you have questions, please contact Dr. Judi Greathouse at greathoj@fcpsk12.net or 540.662.3888.

Topic	Target Audience	Date	Location
Governor's Schools: Regional, Residential, and Academic-Year	Parents of students eligible for gifted services in grades 5-8 (for BREGS) Parents of all students in grades 8-12 for all other programs - BREGS, PAVAN, SRsGS, and MVGS	October 17, 2017 7:00 to 8:00 pm	Frederick County Public Schools Administration Building - Conference Room
Transitions for gifted students from middle to high school	Parents of students eligible for gifted services in grade 8	January 23, 2018 7:00 to 8:00 pm	Frederick County Public Schools Administration Building - Conference Room
Transitions for gifted students from elementary to middle school	Parents of students eligible for gifted services in grade 5	February 6, 2018 7:00 to 8:00 pm	Frederick County Public Schools Administration Building - Conference Room

If inclement weather cancels school for the entire day, students are released early from school because of inclement weather, or evening activities are canceled because of inclement weather, the Gifted Education Information Session will not be held nor rescheduled.

ROBERT E. AYLOR MIDDLE SCHOOL
 PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT
 announces



Book by
 Thomas Meehan and Bob Martin

Music by
 Matthew Sklar

Lyrics by
 Chad Beguelin

Based upon the New Line Cinema film written by David Berenbaum

AUDITIONS

Wednesday, September 13 (5-7:30 pm)
 Friday, September 15 (5-7:00 pm) CALL-BACKS

****Students need to prepare a 30-second memorized monologue, prose, or poetry selection which shows off their acting strengths****

Prepared music is not necessary, but students will be taught and asked to sing a song from the show.
Students MUST have a permission slip turned in to Ms. Legge no later than Tuesday, September 12 in order to audition.

Please refer to the attachment for the rehearsal/performance schedule

Students will be notified by Ms. Legge by Friday, September 15 regarding selection for the musical.

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 (Student Name)

_____ (Grade)

Has my permission to audition for and participate in "Elf, Jr.". We understand that he/she must have transportation provided to/from auditions on 9/13/17 and possibly on 9/15/17.

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Child's 1st Period Teacher _____

FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

August 2017

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/WFTR1450 AM	WBOP 106.3FM
WKMZ-97.5FM/WEPM 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 email 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 will be posted on the FCPS division website (www.frederick.k12.va.us) as well as all school websites.

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). Five (5) inclement weather days are built into the 2017-18 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.