



April 2018 Newsletter

Date	Events/Description
Mar 30 - Apr 3	No School - Spring Break
Apr 4	Talon Show Dress Rehearsal, 4:00pm-6:00pm
Apr 5	SCA "Blessing Bags" Items Due
Apr 5 & 6	GES Student Recognition Assemblies - See Times Below
Apr 6	SCA Spirit Day - Disney Day
Apr 6	Talon Show, 6:00pm-8:00pm
Apr 11	Kindergarten Field Trip to Sherando High School
Apr 13	First Grade Field Trip to Sherando High School
Apr 13	5th Grade Panoramic Photo, 1:30pm-2:30pm
Apr 13	PTO Polka Dot Pot Activity, 6:00pm-8:00pm
Apr 16	School Assembly- Laser Show (Students Only), 9:30am-11:15am
Apr 18	Students as Readers,, 3:45pm-4:45pm
Apr 19	Pre-K Field Trip to Shenandoah Valley Discovery Museum, 9:00am-1:00pm
Apr 19	PTO Meeting, in Library, 5:30pm-6:30pm
Apr 20	Transportation Forms - Due back to school.
Apr 20	Spring Fling Dance, 6:30pm-8:00pm
Apr 25	Students as Readers, 3:45pm-4:45pm
Apr 26	Chorus Concert, 6:30pm-8:30pm
May 1	Spring Picture Day, Class Picture Day & 5th Grade Portrait
May 2	FCPS Art Show, 6:30pm-7:30pm
May 3	SCA Spirit Day - Wear Pink and Green (for Apple Blossom)
May 4	No School - Apple Blossom

GES Student Recognition Assemblies

Thursday, April 5

9:15am-9:50am - 1st Grade

10:00am-10:35am - 5th Grade

10:45am-11:20am - Kindergarten

Friday, April 6

9:15am-9:50am - 4th Grade

10:00am-10:35am - 3rd Grade

10:45am-11:20am - 2nd grade

Gainesboro Eagle "Talon" Show Dates:

-Wednesday, April 4, 2018 after school until 6:00pm - "Talon" Show Dress Rehearsal for participants

-Friday, April 6, 2018 from 6:00pm-8:00pm - "Talon" Show in the Gainesboro Cafeteria. All students and families are invited! Hot dogs, candy, popcorn and drinks will be available to purchase from the PTO at the Talent Show. Therefore, please do not bring outside food or drinks (other than water). Also prior to the show starting, flowers will be sold which will benefit the school SCA.

Evening with the Arts with 4th & 5th Grade Chorus Concert

-Thursday, April 26, 2018 6:30pm-8:30pm

-Chorus Members - Please arrive to the music room at 6:15pm. Also, please wear a white shirt (blouse, button up, t-shirt) and black or dark pants or skirt.

-Student artwork will be on display in the school following the concert.

Blessing Bags

Gainesboro SCA will be collecting items to make Blessing bags. The Blessing bags will be donated to the Winchester Rescue Mission (Men's and Women's shelters) and The Henry Evans home (home for needy children). Please send items in with your child and they can give it to their teacher. **Items are due by April 5th.**

-Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten - Sunblock

-1st grade - Toothbrushes and toothpaste

-2nd grade - Granola Bars

-3rd grade - Hand wipes (no hand sanitizer) and small packs of tissues

-4th grade - Socks and chapstick

-5th grade - Hats and gloves

New Math Textbook Adoption

Elementary schools in Frederick County are in the process of adopting a new math textbook program for use from 2018-2025.

Textbooks are available for review in each elementary school from April 5, 2018, through May 11, 2018. Parents interested in reviewing materials should contact the building principal for additional information.

Take the FCPS School Quality and Perceptions Survey

Everyone has a voice in Frederick County Public Schools. That's why we're asking parents and guardians, school-based staff, and students in grades 5-12 to share their candid feedback through our School Quality and Perceptions Survey which will be conducted through April 6.

The survey asks for feedback on school quality, student and academic support, safety and behavior, school leadership, family involvement, and more. The results will help us determine how well we have addressed the areas for improvement identified through the 2016 School Quality and Perceptions Survey as well as our current strengths and areas in need of focus.

Frederick County Public Schools has partnered with independent research and communications firm K12 Insight to administer the survey and compile the results. Your responses are strictly confidential and anonymous.

An email invitation with a link to the survey was sent in mid-March. You can also access the survey through
