



GREENWOOD MILL



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Everyone plays a part in keeping our schools safe and secure. If you see suspicious activity in the vicinity of our school, report it to school staff and the authorities. Suspicious activity may include: a vehicle or individual in an odd or concealed location; an 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 if you observe any suspicious activity.

GATOR CAFÉ NEWS

Congratulations to February's winners for excellent behavior in the cafeteria.



- Kindergarten—Zakari Dow
- 1st Grade—Abigail Krueger
- 2nd Grade—Luke Foston
- 3rd Grade—William Potter
- 4th Grade—Brooklyn Corson
- 5th Grade—Julia Frerotte

DATES TO REMEMBER—MARCH

- March 5-9 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Kindergarten Registration
- March 15 End of Third Nine Weeks
- March 16 & 19 No School
- March 20-23 Book Fair
- March 23 Swamp Classic
- March 28 Report Cards Issued
- March 30 Spring Break
- April 2-3 Spring Break

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SOL TIPS FOR PARENTS

- ◆ Display a positive attitude about the SOL tests.
- ◆ Encourage your child to stay relaxed and calm during the SOL tests.
- ◆ Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and eats a good breakfast.
- ◆ Remind your child to bring his or her glasses to school on all of the testing days.
- ◆ Make sure your child is at school on time so that he or she won't feel rushed on the testing days.
- ◆ Know when the tests are given. Mark these dates on your calendar.
- ◆ Please do not schedule any doctor's appointments during SOL testing. It's very difficult to set up retakes. And we want your student to test with their class.

2018 SOL TEST DATES

May 8	5th Grade VA Studies SOL
May 10	5th Grade VA Studies SOL Retake
May 11	5th Grade Science SOL
May 15	3rd, 4th & 5th Reading SOL
May 17	5th Grade Science SOL Retake
May 18	3rd, 4th & 5th Reading SOL Retake
May 22	3rd, 4th & 5th Math SOL
May 25	3rd, 4th & 5th Math SOL Retake



FIRE MARSHALL

It has been brought to our attention by the Frederick County Fire Marshal's office that people have been parking in fire lanes and near fire hydrants on school property. Please note that it is a violation of code to park within any fire lane and to park a vehicle within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;

both of these violations are subject to a fine. Please be aware that parking in fire lanes and near fire hydrants will result in a ticket or vehicle being towed.

ELEMENTARY

Please share the FAQs regarding preschool registration with appropriate staff, particularly office staff so they can respond to questions. Execution of a communications plan regarding preschool and kindergarten registration will begin on February 26. Preliminary preschool registration for eligible families in the APR, GES, IHE, RBR and SES zones will be held March 5-April 6. Kindergarten registration for all elementary schools is scheduled for March 5-9.

P.E.

In the month of March, students will be learning a variety of dances. Additionally, they will be participating in a fitness unit that includes climbing, agility ladders, and other stations that improve muscular strength, muscular endurance, and agility. I would also like to thank everyone that participated in the American Heart Association's jump rope for heart fundraiser. Gifts for those who earned them should be in before the end of the month. Thanks again!

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 March 19-April 6.

The survey will ask 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.

Please check your email for an invitation and link to the survey later this month. You will also be able to access the survey through the school division's website. Students will take the survey at school. Paper surveys will be available in the school office.

Frederick County Public Schools shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, political affiliation, disability or veteran status in the education program and activities, or employment and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Questions concerning the application of this non-discrimination policy may be made to:

Title IX Coordinator (Adults)
John Linaburg
Executive Director of Human Resources

Title IX Coordinator (Students)
Teresa D. Ritenour
Director of Student Support Services

Section 504 Coordinator
Michele Sandy
Director of Special Instructional Services

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 addresses and phone numbers of the office that serves your area, or call 1-800-421-3481.

**Frederick County Public Schools
KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION
2018-2019**

❖ **Where:** Greenwood Elementary School
540-667-7863

❖ **When:** March 5-9
9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

March 7
9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

❖ **Who:** Children who will turn 5 by September 30, 2018 – **No exceptions**

❖ **What to bring:**

-Birth Certificate

-Proof of Residency (two of the following items)

- Utility bill not more than two months old (examples:gas, electric, water/sewer)
- Rent/Lease agreement
- Mortgage statement
- Receipt of real estate taxes paid in the past year
- Current Driver's License with current address

❖ **Physical:** A certificate of physical examination from a physician or a health department which was completed no earlier than August 15, 2017 and a list of immunizations.

