Fernandina Beach Middle School



Pirate's Log

April/May 2018 Newsletter



Message From Our D.T.O

The FBMS PTO has had a great year so far! Thank you to all the parents that have helped make events like the Fall BBQ, Desserts of Amelia, school dances, and honor roll breakfasts and lunches a huge success! Here are a few other fun, upcoming events in which we would love your help:

Plans are being made for the last school dance of the year, possibly in April. PTO will need chaperones in order for the dance to take place so please considered volunteering. If you are able to help please contact ptofbms@gmail.com. Details to follow.

Spring Fling will be held on Friday, May 18th during the last period of the day. This is a carnival event for all students and requires lots of hands, so if you are able to help, please contact Emily Pattillo at emilypattillo@gmail.com. Also, be on the lookout for requests coming home for candy

donation and other treats. We will use these items as prizes for our popular Junk Walk.

Please save the date for the following FBMS Spirit Nights:

- April 10: Jersey Mike's 5-8pm
- April 24: Zaxby's: 5-8pm
- May 16th: DeNucci's

PTO is also beginning to plan our celebration of teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week, May 7th - 11th! We are also helping to organize an end of year Teacher and Volunteer Appreciation luncheon May 30th. The best way to stay informed about all the great things going on at your child's school is by attending the PTO meetings. The next meeting is Thursday, April 19th at 5:30 pm for the end of the year planning!

Dr. John Mazzella, **Principal**

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of the Month

6th Grade

Libby Alvarez Reagan Tompkins Camden Boyd Noah Gibbs

Meadow Addington Illyssa Mendelson Samuel Uribe Palacios Elijah Smith

> Ashton Banister Joshua Modupe Olivia Moyes Camryn Olson

Fernandina Beach Middle School

Mission Statement

Our mission is to be committed to the goal of continuous self-improvement, while striving to be responsive to the needs of students, parents, community, and staff.

7th Grade

Davis Byrd Michael Bolt Alison Dion Cadie Gillette

Emmie Athavale Amelia Wright Peyton Paulette Alex Cueto

Caden Kubatzke Kevin Quintero Margot Bell Jacqueline Zetterower

8th Grade

Tyler Fellows Ben Draper Gracyn Frederick Madison Nordquist

Skylar Beattie Ella Weepie Owen Hamilton Mitchell Aarons

Jody Odom Conner Bryant Kiera Moisan Madison Funch































Grant Awardees pictured with Foundation Board Members: Abby Bean, Kim Lunt, and Susan Childers.

Congratulations to the FBMS teachers who were recently awarded grants from the Nassau Education Foundation.

Ann Wrenn: I Survived series
Cathy Dozier: Graphc Novels
Heather Stefanski: Book Binding with PiWrites
Joshua Bozeman: Lego League
Asa Jernigan and

Matthew Eldridge Bratsch: New Spotlight for the Auditorium Renee' Thompson: Makey Makey Kits for Makerspaces Kendra Shafer: Flipgrid and Novels



Drama, Band, and Chorus...OH MY!

April 16th @ 7 pm & 17th daytime

May 15th

8th Grade Drama presents "Parents Just Don't Understand"

FBMS Spring Chorus Concert 6pm FBMS Beginning, Concert, and Symphonic Band Concert 7pm

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Sidewalk Chalk Drawing Contest

Enter the **Sidewalk Chalk Drawing Contest** to be held Tuesday, May 15th through Thursday, May 17th thirty minutes before and after school each day. Chalk is provided...bring your imagination! Winners will be announced and prizes will be awarded on Friday, May 18th: 3rd place \$10.00, 2nd place \$15.00 and 1st place \$25.00. The entry fee is only \$2.00. Just show up with your fee and begin drawing.





LUNCH AND BREAKFAST MENU LINK

http://nassau.nutrislice.com/

Fun Walk for Communities in Schools

The FBMS Student Council will sponsor the Communities in Schools Fun Walk on Friday, May 18. This event raises money for the organization that sponsors our Homework Club and provides needed services to students throughout the district. To participate, students who bring \$5 to school on Friday, May 18, will be allowed to walk around the high school track and participate in the related activities. This is the same day as Spring Fling. Please support this important organization that gives so much direct support to our school!

TDAP BOOSTER NEEDED

6th Grade Parents, Florida law requires that each student entering 7th grade must have documentation of having received a TDAP booster on file in their health folder. Documentation may be submitted to the Nurse or front office. Please call your child's health care provider or the Nassau County Health Department Clinic (904) 530-6800 for an appointment if they have not received their TDAP booster. It is important to do this as soon as possible. Providers become very busy during summer months. If you have any questions, please call the school nurse at (904) 321-5867 ext.2460.

Thank you, Jodie Hearn LPN

YEARBOOK NEWS



SWANT TO CREATE OUR FBMS YEARBOOK?

Those chosen as Yearbook Staff members are enrolled in a year-long Digital Art course with Ms. Hall. Staff members not only design our awesome yearbook, they create the school's newsletter. As a staff member you will act as graphic designer, photographer, artist, and journalist. You will learn to use art and publication software to design graphics and create our yearbook. Yearbook is a great class for motivated students willing to work beyond classroom hours. Applications are due Friday, May 11th, so pick one up from Ms. Hall or guidance!

RESERVE Your 2018 Yearbook NOW!

Do you want your Yearbook right away? Ms. Hall and the yearbook staff will be handing out yearbooks during lunch on Tuesday, May 15th to students who have paid for their yearbook on or before Friday, May 11th. If you have not reserved your yearbook by Friday, May 11th, you may purchase books with \$50.00 (cash or check) in the Main Office before school or during homeroom beginning Wednesday, May 16th and continuing until the yearbooks are sold out. Buy your Yearbook ASAP... over half the books are already reserved and the rest won't last long! RESERVE YOUR BOOK NOW by bringing \$50.00 check or cash payment to the Main Office or to Ms. Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Hall, Yearbook Advisor/Art Teacher (phone 321-5867 or email julie.hall@nassau.k12.fl.us).

FSA TESTING Please remember that the major part of the state of Florida FSA testing is in April and May. Sixth, seventh and eighth graders will be taking the Reading and Math tests online (Computer Based Testing-CBT). They will take Session 1 first and then Session 2 (and/or 3) on another day for each test. Seventh graders taking Civics class this semester will take the Civics End of Course Exam on line also in May. Algebra 1 students will take an EOC test in May, and all students will take end of course exams for all courses not tested by the state through their subject area teacher.

April 25, 2018 Grades 6, 7, and 8 Reading Session 1 CBT, 85 minutes
April 26, 2018 Grades 6, 7 and 8 Reading Session 2 CBT, 85 minutes
May 1, 2018 Grade 8 Science paper based test, 160 minutes
Grade 7 Civics EOC CBT, 160 minutes
May 7, 2018 Grades 6, 7, 8 Math Session 1 CBT, 60 minutes
Grade 8 Algebra 1 EOC Session 1 CBT, 90 minutes
May 8, 2018 Grades 6, 7, 8 Math Session 2 & 3 CBT, 120 minutes
Grade 8 Algebra 1 EOC Session 2 CBT, 90 minutes
Make up testing will be on going as needed for absent students

This is a very busy time at school. We ask for your assistance in having things flow smoothly by making sure that your student is present on the testing dates and here by 8: 50 a.m. Students that are tardy are not allowed to enter their testing site and must then attend a make-up test session at another time. This causes them to miss their assigned classes. Please make sure that students are well rested and have a nutritious breakfast each morning.

FSA SCORES Test scores usually come in after school is dismissed and will be mailed home with the final report card or separately depending on when we receive them. The writing and reading test scores will be combined and reported as an ELA (English Language Arts) score. When you do receive the score reports we suggest that you take some time to sit down and review these scores with your child. Students scoring below grade level on the tests will have remediation in the following school year. Students scoring below grade level on the ELA test may be scheduled into an Intensive Reading class (i.e., a reading class designed to remediate identified reading deficiencies). Students will be assigned to class levels based on several factors such as present academic achievement, Orleans-Hanna Algebra Prognosis Test, FSA scores, and teacher recommendation. Some 8th graders will be placed into a high school level mathematics class (Algebra 1 Honors) based on several factors as well. Remember this Algebra math class is a high school credit and will affect the student's grade point average (GPA) for high school.

2018-2019 Registration The end of this school year is fast approaching and we are making plans for the 2018-2019 school year. Students will be receiving an information sheet on registration/elective courses offered for the 2018-2019 school year in late April. It is very important to read over this information carefully and make sure your child has made contact with the designated teacher by the date required for any electives that require prior teacher authorization (e.g., Band/Chorus/Drama). In addition, please remember if your student signs up for Band/Chorus/Drama, it is a commitment for the entire school year. Due to class size amendment legislation we will not be able to change schedules once schedules are finalized. If you have any concerns about the school year 2018-2019, please contact the Guidance Office by the end of May. Scheduling for the 2018-2019 school year will be completed in June. Any special concerns you may have should be addressed before the end of May. We have many factors that influence our master schedule and individual student schedules. We work hard to provide the best schedules for our students. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated and professional staff at our school to provide an excellent education to our students. We are proud of our students' achievement over the past 17 years that has earned us "A" school recognition!

IMMUNIZATIONS All students entering seventh grade must have a Tdap (tetanus-diphtheria and pertussis) booster. This is required by the State of Florida. So please check with your doctor or the Nassau County Health Department to update your child's immunizations. Students are not to be allowed school entry without proof of this immunization in their school health records. Once you have proof of this immunization please bring it to the FBMS Health Office. If your student has already had this immunization, please bring proof of this to our school.

Summer Remediation Fernandina Beach Middle School will plan to offer summer remediation to those students having deficiencies in promotion requirements. Staff members, in conjunction with Communities in Schools, provide this during the summer. The remediation has historically been held daily from 8 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. More detailed information about plans for summer remediation this summer will be finalized soon. Letters will be sent to the parents/guardians of those students requiring remediation at the end of May. Make sure that the forms for this program are returned promptly. We still have a 9 weeks period left to work hard to bring up all grades to a passing score. Please encourage your students to continue to work in all classes. Please use FOCUS to check on your student's academic progress. Grades are updated every two weeks by all teachers.

Other Important News It is very important that students return their Chromebooks, chargers, all textbooks, and library books at the end of the year. Any fines owed to the Media Center are also due at this time. If Chromebooks, chargers, or library fines are not paid, a hold will be placed on the report card. Additional action may be taken if a student does not return his or her Chromebook due to the cost associated with this item. Also, if students will be moving or not returning to FBMS for 7th or 8th grade, please let us know in Guidance. We can facilitate the transfer of educational records to insure a smooth transition to new schools. We look forward to another successful school year for 2018-2019!

NASSAU COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2018 - 2019

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F/L = First/Last Day of School/Semester

P = Teacher Planning Day

E = End of Grading Period

= 1/2 Day for Students

* = Early Dismissal Day

C = District Office Closed

H = School Holiday - No school for students or teachers

Severe Weather Make-Up Days

1st Semester - 9/3, 9/14, 10/15, 11/12, 11/20, 11/21 2nd Semester - 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 2/18

260 Day Personnel

Paid Holidays: 7/4, 9/3, 11/22, 11/23, 12/24, 12/25, 1/1, 3/21, 3/22 District Office Closed - Leave Required: 12/26, 12/27, 12/28, 12/31 Progress Reports Issued Report Cards Issued May 24 (Elementary) June 3 (Secondary)

Board Approved: Feb. 8, 2018



Duncan Bell
Caden Swanson
Jamieson Keith
Tanner Millar
Xavier Hutton Corp
Nic McFetridge— Stine
Andrew Stancin
Evan Skinner
Elias Brand
Ashton Sweatt
Alec Antczack
Tyler Gillette
James Broughton
Dash Dover



Taliyah Clinch Jordan Dolman Ella Eliason Jalay Evans Sabrina Hanson Elaina Moore Navaeh Morris Olivia Moyes Alden Newsome Kaylie Poteat Abria Richo Karina Poteat Jaiden Ross Nadia White

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Pirate-Ithletic

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Riley Talbert
Kaitlyn Carolino
Betty Elliott
Coral Trotter
Jenna Swift
Julia Weiser
Mckenzie Morris
Callie Johnston
Teal Lilly
Kayli Graves
Carolyn Guess
Aleeya Lashley
Rhianna Ware
Morgan Benge
Megan Howard

Jennis

Mason Townsend
Kyra Turlington
Elias Brand
Kaitlyn Broyles
Henry Colwell
Lucy Brumfiel
Jessica Tita
Addison Cutshaw
John Angil
Sheyenne Turlngton
Brantley Nickless
Brooklyn Martinez
Ginger Kelly
Aidan Warren
James McLellan
Leighton Warren
Jordan Cummings
Christopher McFetridge-Stine
Tyler Gillette



April 2018



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----------------|------------------------|--|--|--|-------------------------------|--|
| 1 | 2 Book Fair 2nd—6th | 3 | 4 | 5 Baseball Finals @ Yulee 6 pm PTO meeting | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 All County Band Rehearsal @ CMS 6-9 pm | 11 School Advisory Council 3 pm | All County Band Rehearsal @ FBMS 6-9 pm | 13 | 14 All County Band Rehearsal 9 to noon & Concert 3 pm @ FBMS |
| 15 | 16Drama perform day | 17Drama perform 7 pm | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 Earth Day | 23 | 24 Progress Report & Zaxby's Spirit Night | 25 TEST FSA Reading Session1 6th-8th grade | 26 TEST FSA Reading Session2 6th-8th grade | 27 7th Grade Play– Daytime | 28 Band- Wild Adven- tures Trip |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |



May 2018



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| * | | 1 | 2 | 3 Shrimp Fest Parade 6 pm PTO Meetinng | 4 | 5 Spring Art Show@ Shrimp Fest |
| 6Spring Art Show@ Shrimp Fest | 7 Student Council Apprecia- tion Ice Cream for Staff | 8PTO Appreciation Breakfast for Teachers | 9 SAC meeting 3:30 | 10 End of Course Exams | 11 SSYR Award Lunch 7th Grade Field Trip-Wild Adv | 12 All library books due to Media Center by Friday, |
| | National Teacher Appreciation Week & Friendship Week | | | | | May 11th |
| 13 | 14 Media Center Closed for Inventory thru end of year | 15 Spring Concert— Chorus 6 pm Band 7 pm | 16 9:30 am – 5th Graders tour FBMS | 17 Drama 8th Grade Play- Daytime | 18 6th Grade Field Trip Fun Walk for CIS PTO Spring Fling | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 6th Grade Awards | 23 7th Grade Awards | 24 8th Grade Awards | 25 LAST DAY of school! Dismissal 12:30 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 Memorial Day Holiday | 29 Teacher Planning 29th & 30th | 30 PTO Teacher Appreciation Luncheon | 31 | | |



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