



William B. Wade Parent Information Bulletin April 8, 2022

Principal's Message

Greetings Wildcat Families,

Fourth quarter report cards were published on StudentVue/ParentVue this past Wednesday. Please remember if you would like to schedule a conference with your child's teacher, you should contact them at the school or send them an email request. I know life gets busy with Spring Break, sports and other family gatherings, however please do your best to check on your child's academic progress at home through your ParentVue account for the entire fourth quarter.

Just as a friendly reminder, the deadline to order yearbooks is **April 18**. No late orders will be accepted. They can be purchased at ybpay.com for \$25.

Next Tuesday your child will be receiving a box containing two COVID-19 rapid tests. Charles County Public Schools (CCPS) recently received an abundance of rapid tests from the State for use by students and staff. Spring Break for CCPS students and most staff is April 15-22. Please consider using the rapid tests to test your child before they return to school on April 25. Testing is not required to return to school or work. Additional free COVID-19 rapid tests are also available at the branches of the Charles County Public Library. Call any branch to set up a pick-up time.

Thank you to all the families who have signed up for our First Read-A-Thon. We are off and running and we are celebrating our students reading everyday here at school. If you have misplaced the information that was sent home a copy of the flyer is listed below. Again we cannot thank you all enough for supporting our wonderful school!

Respectfully,

William Miller, Principal

OUR READ-A-THON

William B. Wade Elementary

IS ABOUT TO START

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

We will be focusing on reading for the next few weeks. Our Read-a-thon makes it easy, fun and rewarding to practice reading at home and at school.

- 1** Simply create your account and invite friends and family to support your child's Read-a-thon. Reading minutes will be logged through your account.
- 2** Your child can earn fun rewards for goals they reach during the Read-a-thon. **SEE THE BELOW FOR DETAILS!**



CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT!

Visit:
<https://www.read-a-thon.com/readers/r/InggzB/1>

SCAN THIS
CODE USING
YOUR PHONE'S
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Calendar/Important Dates To Know

April 8- Mrs. Millman and Mr. Kernozick to Science Center
April 8 - Mrs. Grainger and Ms. Miller to One Room School House
April 11 - Fifth Grade Proofs of Residency are Due (See Below)
April 11 - 4th Grade MCAP Testing
April 11 - Ms. Potts to Science Center
April 11 - Mrs. McClain To One Room School House.
April 12 - Mrs. Yowell/Shanholtzer & Wall's Class To One Room School House
April 12 - 4th Grade MCAP Testing
April 12 - School Board Meeting
April 13 - 5th Grade MCAP Testing
April 15 - April 22 Spring Break Schools are Closed
April 26 - 5th Grade MCAP Testing
April 27 - 5th Grade MCAP Testing
April 28 - 3rd Grade MCAP Testing
April 29 - 3rd Grade MCAP Testing

Fifth Grade Parent/Guardians

As a way to update student records and ensure attendance in the proper school zones, Charles County Public Schools requires all students entering sixth and ninth grades to provide two proofs of domicile to their current school of enrollment from the approved list. Parents will have the option to upload proofs using Online Registration through their ParentVue account or by emailing Mrs. Diaz, jdiaz@ccboe.com. Students may also send their proofs into schools no later than **April 11, 2022**. Students' 6th grade schedules will not be finalized for the 2022-23 school year until current proofs of domicile are received.

Arrival Procedures

Here are just a few reminders of our arrival procedures. Your cooperation with all procedures helps ensure the safety and security of all of our students. We appreciate your cooperation and support throughout this process.

- Doors will open for students at 8:15. You can drop off your student(s) anytime between 8:15 and 8:30. After 8:30, students will need to be brought into the building by a parent so that you can sign them in. This will count as a tardy.
- You may drop your child off along the curb near the front entrance. Please be sure to pull all the way around to the corner of the curb for drop off. There are staff members on duty to show you where to stop. Please pay attention to where they are directing you to go.
 - Please have your child ready to get out of the right hand side of your car.
- Do NOT DROP your student off along Smallwood Drive. For their safety, please enter into the parking lot and drop them off along the curb where there are multiple adults to assist them.**
- Do NOT PARK along Smallwood Drive and walk your child up to the school. Smallwood Drive is a very busy road and it causes a dangerous situation to have vehicles parked along the main road, as well as making it difficult for drivers to see when pulling out of the parking lot.**

Volunteers

Looking to lend a helping hand throughout the day? Are you looking to make an impact in your school and community? Our school doors are opening back up to volunteers. If you are interested, please send an email to Mrs. Davis at madavis@ccboe.com.

Dismissal Procedures

Please remember safety is our goal when it comes to both arrival and dismissal. We have implemented a lot of changes this year to keep our children safe. If you are changing how you are picking up your students please contact the office and your child's teacher to notify us of any changes.

Please do not walk up at dismissal with a car rider tag and expect to pick your child up. If you are a car rider you need to stay in your car and wait for your child to be brought to your car safely. If someone new is pick up your child, please make sure they are on the emergency card or you have submitted their name in writing to the school.

Toys and Personal Items

Recently, there has been an increase in students bringing toys and personal items like trading cards into school. Unless they are used for a special event or are a part of the instructional program and preapproved by the classroom teacher, toys are not permitted on school grounds as they are a distraction to learning. This includes handheld games, personal music players, portable communication devices, trading cards, etc. These items tend to interfere with the instructional program. Your help in making sure these items are left at home is greatly appreciated.

Updated CCPS SOP's

With the removal of the mask mandate in schools and on buses, the CCPS SOP's have been updated and shared with the school community. While we are no longer tracking students with COVID exposures and positive cases, parent/guardians are still required to pre-screen students before sending them to school. A student sent to school who is exhibiting any of the symptoms listed on the pre-screening checklist will be sent home. Symptoms include:

- New, uncontrollable cough
- New onset of severe headache with fever
- Difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea
- Fever (over 100.4)
- Sore throat with visible redness
- Vomiting
- New loss or change in the ability to taste or smell.

REMINDER: MCAP Assessments

Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) English Language Arts (ELA) and Math tests will be administered to all 3rd – 5th grade students over the next few weeks. The schedule will be in the newsletter as well as below. Students, please remember to:

Go to bed early.

Eat a good breakfast (at home or school).

Your CCPS laptop must be at school and charged every day.

Bring your headphones to school.

Arrive to school on time.

Have a positive attitude.

Try your best.

Use your strategies and scrap paper.

Show what you know!

Grade Level	Subject	Date
Third Grade	ELA Math	April 28, 29 May 2, 3 May 9 - 12
Fourth Grade	ELA Math	April 7, 8, 11, 12 May 5, 6, 9, 10
Fifth Grade	ELA Math	April 6, 13, 26, 27 May 17-20

The Charles County public school system does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age or disability in its programs, activities or employment practices. For inquiries, please contact Kathy Kiessling, Title IX/ADA/Section 504 Coordinator (students) or Nikial M. Majors, Title IX/ADA/Section 504 Coordinator (employees/adults), at Charles County Public Schools, Jesse L. Starkey Administration Building, P.O. Box 2770, La Plata, MD 20646; 301-932-6610/301-870-3814. For special accommodations call 301-934-7230 or TDD 1-800-735-2258 two weeks prior to the event.

CCPS provides nondiscriminatory equal access to school facilities in accordance with its Use of Facilities rules to designated youth groups (including, but not limited to, the Boy Scouts).