



The Firebird Screams

"Ask not for whom the Firebird screams, he screams for you!" - Fred the Firebird

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May Dates to Remember:

May 2 - Band Booster Meeting, 6p
May 4 - Quarter Auction
May 6-10 - Scholastic BOGO Book Fair
May 6 - 6th Grade Field Trip
May 7 - Board Meeting, 6:30p
May 8 - 4th Grade Field Trip
May 8 - English AP Exam
May 8 - HS Student Led Conference / PBL Expo Night, 4:30p
May 9 - TRI-M Honor Society Induction, 6:30p
May 10 - 8th Grade Field Trip
May 10 - AP US History Exam
May 10 - NJHS Meeting, 7:40a
May 13 - Spring Band Assembly
May 14 - Calculus AB/BC Exam
May 15 - Thespian Honor Society Inductions, 6:30p
May 16 - Stats AP Exam
May 16 - Band Concert, 6:30p
May 17 - AIG Celebration Showcase
May 17-31 - End of Year Testing (EOG/EOC/NCFE)
May 18 - Color Run
May 20 - PTA General Meeting, 6:30p
May 21 - Board Meeting (if called), 6:30p
May 22 - High School Awards, 6p
May 23 - Elementary Field Day
May 27 - Holiday - Memorial Day (no school for students and staff)
May 28 - 4th Grade Field Trip
May 30 - Middle School Field Day
May 31 - Elementary and Middle School Awards
May 31 - Last Day of School, Early Release Day
May 31 - Report Cards go Home (grades K-8)

2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

The 2019-2020 School Year Calendar is attached in the Newsletter email and it can also be found on the school website at www.fallslakeacademy.com, on the Calendar page.



Friendly Reminders

Lost 'n' Found



We have LOTS of items in our lost and found. Please make sure you check for your belongings before May 31st. Any items left after May 31st will be donated to the Good Will Foundation.

EOY Lunch Reminder

Please note there will be **NO** catered lunches delivered from May 17th through May 31st. This also means that we will not have Lunchables available for students who forget their lunch. Due to end of the year testing it is important that **ALL** students bring their lunches from May 17th through May 31st. We will have students testing in the office during those days, therefore we ask that you do **NOT** drop off any food during this time. Thank you for your understanding!

To help serve lunch during the month of May please use the following link.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4ba8a92aa3fc1-flalunch7>



Academic Awards



Below is the schedule of our Academic Awards Ceremonies. Invitations will be going out to families of students who are getting awards.

Elementary Academic Awards Ceremony	May 31st
Middle School Academic Awards Ceremony	May 31st
High School Academic Awards Ceremony	May 22nd

"GLOW" Get Those EGOS Dance!

Friday May 10th from 3:15p to 5:15p
3rd, 4th, and 5th grade

Admission \$5 prior to Dance
Drinks, Snacks, and Light Up items for Sale

Permission Slip Form and Money due by May 9th
Contact Sarah Oliver for questions at bigo26@hotmail.com

END OF GRADE TESTING DATES

Below is the schedule for our end of year testing.

May 17th - 3rd Grade Reading, 5th Grade Science

May 20th - 3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Math

May 21st - 4th, 5th Grade Reading, 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Reading

May 22nd - 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Math & 8th Grade Math 1

May 23rd - 6th, 7th Grade Science NCFE & 8th Grade Science EOG

May 24th - 6th, 7th, 8th Grade Social Studies NCFE & High School 1st Period & 3rd grade Read to Achieve

May 27th - No School

May 28th - High School 2nd Period & Make-Up Testing

May 29th - High School 3rd Period & Make-Up Testing

May 30th - High School 4th Period & Make-Up Testing

Young Professionals Day



May 13th is going to be 'Young Professionals Day' at the high school! We are going to have a rep from the VGCC Career Center giving a presentation about professionalism, interviewing, and other soft skills, and students will be encouraged to dress professionally! This will help prepare them for obtaining part-time jobs or internships over the summer and

Elementary Field Day

Elementary Field Day is on Thursday, May 23rd from 8 a.m. until 2:40 p.m. The K-2nd events will start at 8 a.m. and end around 11:30 a.m. The 3-5th grade events will start at 11:30 a.m. and end at 2:40 p.m. We will have activities in the gym, activities on our new field, and other activities around the school area. Please feel free to bring a chair and lunch to watch your child participate in the fun field activities. If anyone is still interested in volunteering, please contact Ms. Hardison at brendahardison@fallslakeacademy.com or on Jupiter. Thanks for all your support!



NC Wildlife and Ecology Electives

Firebirds have been taking North Carolina Wildlife and Ecology electives this year. FLA took part in the "Trout in the Classroom" (TIC) project, which is a nationwide effort to breed trout to return to the wild. The TIC program started as a way to give students growing up in New York City some experience with nature, and it turned into a nationwide program.

Dr. Springer, who taught NC Wildlife and Ecology in the fall semester, contacted the program and was told there was a local teacher about to retire who had all of the equipment necessary for the project. This included a 70 gallon aquarium with a rack to hold it, a filter, and a chiller that could bring the water temperature down to 50-55°C. Also included was fish food of various sizes, an aerator, rocks for the bottom of the aquarium, test kits, and filter replacement parts. Students learned how to measure pH, nitrogen levels, and ammonia levels. Initially, once the tank was set up, they were given 100 salmon colored eggs, each with two black dots visible on their surface, which would later become eyes. They had to cull dead eggs daily to remove toxins produced as they broke down. They had to enclose the entire tank in styrofoam to keep the temperature steady and minimize light exposure until hatching. The classes hatched 42 eggs, and after a few weeks ended up with 25 fish that have grown to young adulthood. Students helped bring in and chill well water, clean the filter, and exchange water to keep ammonia levels low. They measured pH and nitrogen levels regularly. They purchased plants to help with breaking down nitrogen and this created an ecosystem complete with bacteria for breaking down wastes and fixing nitrogen. Our predecessor had not released his fish to the wild, so one of our students, Jacob Hughes, released them in December when his family went on vacation to the mountains. We had to obtain a permit to do this, and the organization told us a specific location where the temperature would be optimal for them and the genetic breed would match fish already living there. These fish were more than 8 inches long, and there were 3 of them. We have just been issued a permit for our 25 fish and will take them to a lake in Hanging Rock park near Winston-Salem this coming weekend. Student enjoyed helping and many have asked to come along for the release event. One critical assist to our efforts was the regular feeding of the fish during holidays by Mr. Terry Stone (our maintenance man), who was here during the winter and spring breaks to wax the floors! This prevented hungry fish from resorting to eating each other. Many thanks to Mr. Stone!

Senior Project

Senior Project link zcfisher9.wixsite.com/oppr



FLA Flight Booster Corner

The Booster Club and PTA Quarter Auction is May the 4th! Buy your tickets now! Only 200 available and no sales at the door! To purchase – Visit our website www.ptafallslakeacademy.com

INTERESTED in Donating??? Ask your child's teacher to see how you can help make this night a success!

**MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU...
FLA BOOSTER CLUB AND PTA
TEAM UP FOR A QUARTER AUCTION!**

**VISIT: WWW.PTAFALLSLAKEACADEMY.COM
FOR YOUR TICKET PURCHASES**

**SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM
AUCTION BEGINS AT 6:30**

**CONCESSIONS WILL
BE AVAILABLE FOR
PURCHASE**



**TICKETS/PADDLES \$10
IN ADVANCE, NO TICKET SALES AT THE DOOR**

FORD
DRIVE
4 UR SCHOOL



**TEST-DRIVE
A FORD AND
EARN \$20 FOR
YOUR SCHOOL.***



WHAT:

**Take a spin in a new Ford vehicle.
For every test-drive taken, Ford
Motor Company will donate \$20
to your school, for a total of up
to \$6,000 per event.***

A little drive could go a long way.

WHERE:

**Falls Lake Academy
1701 E Lyon Station Rd.
Creedmoor, NC 27522**

WHEN:

**Saturday, May 11, 2019
12:00pm-2:00pm**

forddrive4ur.com

*NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WITH A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE AND VALID AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE. Donation of \$20 per test-drive, up to 300 total test-drives, for a maximum total donation of \$6,000 per event. Limit (1) donation per person and (1) donation per household.



Hawaiian Adventures with Moana

June 17th-28th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Ms. Korneluk's Art Room 609

Students K-5 are welcome. The first 15 to sign up will be accepted into the camp. We need a minimum of five students to run. >We will have lots of summer fun! Come learn about the animal and plant life of Hawaii. Become an animator as you draw Moana characters from the popular Disney movie! Experience mixed media art. We will create unique drawings, paintings, collages and sculptures. There will be two daily projects with a snack and lunch break. The camp will end with a luau party as we celebrate Hawaiian culture, food and watch "Moana" together. So, come join us and hang loose!

Cost is \$75.00 for each week. You may sign up for one or both weeks for \$150.00. All checks/cash are due to Ms. Korneluk by May 31st. You may email with any questions. triciakorneluk@fallslakeacademy.com



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Click below to Volunteer for the Quarter Auction!!!!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C49ABA62FABFB6-quarter>

Thank you!

The Booster Club and PTA

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Mark your calendars.....the last PTA meeting of the year is **May 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**

This is an important meeting – We will be voting on the budget and officers for next year.

## **GET INVOLVED**

**Would you like to be on the PTA board? Or know someone that would be awesome you would like to nominate???**

Email us at [fallslakeacademypta@gmail.com](mailto:fallslakeacademypta@gmail.com)

## **Open Positions are ....**

President

Vice President of Elementary

Vice President of Middle

Vice President of High school

Vice President of Fundraising

Vice President of Hospitality

Secretary

Members at Large

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

We look forward to hearing from you.

The PTA



Okay, Firebird Family, that's it for this edition of the SCREAMER.  
~ Fred the Firebird

