The Firebird Screams

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

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September Dates to Remember:

Sep 2 - Labor Day, No School Sep 3 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm Sep 3 - PTA Meeting, 6:30pm Sep 5 - Band Booster Club Meeting,, 6pm Sep 5 - Middle School Yearbook Field Trip Sep 8 - Grandparents Day Sep 9 - Elementary Grandparents Lunch Sep 9-20 - Food Pantry Collection Drive Sep 10 - Flight Booster Club Meeting, 6pm Sep 12 - FLA Arts Meeting, 6:30pm Sep 12 - Fall Picture Day, Grades K-1 Sep 13 - Teacher Workday Sep 14 - Hot Sauce Festival Sep 16 - Progress Reports go home Sep 16 - El Rio Dine Out, 4pm Sep 17 - Board Meeting (if called), 6:30pm Sep 21 - Creedmoor Music Festival Sep 24 - 4th Grade Symphony Field Trip Sep 24 - PAC Meeting, 6pm Sep 26 - Improv Coffee House, 7:30pm Sep 27 - MS Fall Dance, 6:30m

Message from Mrs. Hobgood

Parents,

Welcome back to school! Back to school time brings about many different emotions for students and families. We find that kids of all ages experience back to school jitters, but the stress presents itself in different ways at different ages. Our elementary aged students tend to concern themselves with change and the stress that change can bring. Many of our younger students struggle with the transition from a slower summer pace to the exhaustion caused by full days of school. Our middle school students tend to be the most social group. These students worry about which classes their friends will be in and who they will interact with during the day. Social media is a huge stressor for our middle school students, even though they may not realize its negative effects. High school students feel a much different kind of stress. The pressures of high school come in many different forms from peer pressure, academic expectations, hormonal changes, athletic pressure, to time management. Finding positive ways to deal with stress for students is important. If you notice that your child seems to be struggling to manage stress in a healthy manner and you would like suggestions on how to help your child, please contact your child's counselor. At Falls Lake Academy, health and safety is our number one priority. We want to partner with parents to create a safe, orderly, caring and supportive environment for our students to learn. Currently, mental health is a priority for our nation as a whole. We want to ensure at FLA that mental health remains a focus and priority for us as well.

Mrs. McGarry: Elementary Counselor <u>hannahmcgarry@fallslakeacademy.com</u> Mrs. Moore: Middle School Counselor <u>amandamoore@fallslakeacademy.com</u> Mrs. Jackson: High School Counselor <u>chantajackson@fallslakeacademy.com</u>

We are looking forward to another wonderful year at FLA. Mrs. Hobgood

Driver's Education

An email will be sent through Jupiter regarding upcoming Drivers Education Class when dates are finalized. Once the date has been set students



PAC RESULTS

The votes are in. Congratulations to our new PAC representatives for the 2019-2020 school year.

Grade Level	PAC Member Name	Email
Kindergarten	Mandy Harris	Blakec1606@gmail.com
1st Grade	Naila Waddell	nailawaddell@icloud.com
2nd Grade	Laurie Frederick	Lauriecfrederick@gmail.com
3rd Grade	Kristin Zimmerman	krissyz0908@gmail.com
4th Grade	Alissa Buffaloe	ncsunshine97@yahoo.com
5th Grade	Ashley James	loveabi44@yahoo.com
6th Grade	Cathi Kenderick	Catherinekendrick44@gmail.com
7th Grade	Lindsey Shedd	LShedd418@yahoo.com
8th Grade	Elizabeth Karan	timothykaran@live.com
9th Grade	Camilla Washington	dinxx6@yahoo.com
10th Grade	Lisa Watkins	watkinslisa2@gmail.com
11th Grade	Karin Hodges	hodgesfour@twc.com
12th Grade	Janet Vaught	janetvht@yahoo.com



Band Booster Club Meeting September 5th 6pm in the HS Band Room



Fall Picture Day Thursday, September 12th Grades K - 11

LOST AND FOUND

This school year unclaimed Lost and Found items will be donated to Good Will the second and fourth Friday of each month, beginning this month. Please have your student(s) check lost and found for any missing items. FLA is not responsible for replacing any items that are left in lost and found and donated.

Falls Lake Arts Booster Club

The Falls Lake Arts Booster Club is a new organization that was started towards the end of last school year with the intent to not only raise money, but also raise awareness of the fantastic arts programs we have in our Falls Lake Academy middle and high schools. By raising money, we're lowering the cost families and teachers pay for events, costumes, and supplies, etc. Everything earned by the booster club is split evenly between theater, arts, and dance classes to use the best way the teachers see fit. (Don't worry, Band has its own Booster Club.)

This year, we're building on our initial successes and will work concessions at several arts events as well as organize events of our own. Please consider volunteering your time, while we're always open to straight donations of money, having a robust set of volunteers is vital to our Booster Club, and really underscores the value of arts to our students. No amount of time or money is too small in helping us build and expand our FLA Arts. By helping us, you directly contribute to the education of your children and their teachers.

I would like to personally invite you to our first meeting of this school year, on Thursday, September 12th at 6:30pm in room #602 of the main building (back in the new annex). We are scheduled to meet every second Thursday of the month through the school year. If you're interested, please contact me via email <u>bigo26@hotmail.com</u> or text 2533812609 and I'll add your email to the group. Also like our Falls Lake Academy Arts Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/Falls-Lake-Academy-Arts-290840634920159/</u>

I look forward to an exciting year with you all

FLA Arts President, Sarah Oliver



Fourth Grade Parents,

We are going to visit the North Carolina Symphony on the morning of the 24th of September. Tickets are \$5 a person and we do need chaperone drivers to help make this field trip a success. Please turn in your permission forms no later than September 13th. Please send any questions to <u>laceymcwatters@fallslakeacademy.com</u>





Tuesday, September 3rd 6:30PM

Don't forget to bring your puzzle piece/s from Open House for the chance to win a prize!



Falls Lake Academy PTA is selling Attractions Dining and Value Guides <u>FULL</u> of coupons for local dining and entertainment good now through 12/31/2020!

Books are \$20 and we receive 50% of the profits to go towards the support of FLA!

Buy online at the following link: <u>https://tinyurl.com/yy4qzem4</u> (multiple areas available)



Saturday, September 14th 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM Downtown Oxford Look for the FLA PTA booth for raffle tickets and slime making! Raffle Prize: 50" HD Smart TV \$1 per ticket/\$5 for 6/\$10 for 15 Drawing at 5:00 – do not need to be present to win



Saturday, September 21st 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM Downtown Creedmoor Look for the FLA PTA booth for raffle tickets and slime making! Raffle Prize: Nintendo Switch \$1 per ticket/\$5 for 6/\$10 for 15 Drawing at 5:00 – do not need to be present to win



FLA Flight Crew Booster Club

WE ARE SEEKING NEW MEMBERS, JOIN US!

Come join us at our next Flight Crew Booster Club meeting, September 10, 2019 in the High School Lobby. Learn all about what Booster Club does and how to **become a member!** You can make a difference for our School, the Athletic Department and MOST IMPORTANTLY our ATHLETES, GO FIREBIRDS!

The Booster Club is a group of members that consist of FLA faculty, FLA parents/family and friends. Booster Club is overseen by the Booster Board (President, Vice-President, Treasure, Secretary, and Members at large). The main responsibility of the Booster Club is to meet once a month to plan, organize and participate in fundraising events as well as, coordinate concessions. It is vital to raise funds in support of

the athletic program at FLA. A few examples of some of the duties of the Booster Club are:

1. Fundraising Events

A. Boston Butt, Chicken BBQ, Yard Sale, Car Wash, Dine-Out Nights, Quarter Auction, Drive a ford, etc. (New ideas are always welcomed!)

- 2. Solicit Corporate and Family Sponsors
- 3. Sell Season Passes for all MS & HS home game athletic events
- 4. Set-Up, work and/or coordinate coverage for the concession stands for all home volleyball and basketball Games (MS & HS)
- 5. Assist the Athletic Director (AD) with set-up and working the Gate table for all home game athletic events (collect money from spectators)
- 6. Every FLA athletic team will have a designated Team Parent(s) that consists of a FLA Booster Club member or a FLA parent/designee.
- 7. Senior gifts committee (organize yearly gifts for all seniors)
- 8. Developing committees and overseeing them.

The Booster Club's Purpose is to raise funds for the Athletic Department and Athletes in support of having a sports program. FLA has a high percentage of student athletes and that requires a lot of funding to

adequately support all their needs. Some examples are listed below; however not limited to:

Uniforms – Middle School and High School Equipment - baseballs, softballs, soccer balls, training equipment and aids for all sports Field Equipment – Pitching mounds, scoreboards, bleachers, etc. Coaches Fees Advertisement Signs/Banners Corporate/Family Sponsored Banners

School VOLUNTEER hours are earned for all meetings, planning events, volunteering events, etc. The FLA Flight Crew Booster Club looks forward to joining forces with our K-12 parents/families and continuing to grow and support our incredible FLA Athletes.





Flight Crew Booster Club Meeting September 10, 2019 at 6:00 PM High School Lobby

FLA parents, family members and staff, join the Flight Crew Booster Club and learn how to become a member and the Booster Club program. Our next meeting is scheduled on Tuesday September 10, 2019 at 6 PM in the HS lobby. We are looking forward to seeing all of you there.

Our FLA Athletes need your help to build a strong and successful program!



FLA Dine-Out Night Fundraiser

EL Rio Mexican Restaurant, 316 Central Ave, Butner NC September 16, 2019 from 4:00 PM till closing

Come support FLA Athletes, and earn money for the Booster Club!

Simply enjoy a dinner night out with family/friends and NO COOKING! El Rio has generously opened their doors to donate a percentage of proceeds to FLA Booster club. We need as many FLA families, friends, Staff and coworkers to participate!! See you there!!



Boston Butt Fundraiser November 24, 2019 at Falls Lake Academy

\$30.00 – a pork shoulder with homemade BBQ sauce

Ticket Sales and Volunteer Sign up duties will be posted soon!! We need all the help and support from all of you!!

Bye for now.....until next time.....-Fred the Firebird

