



The Firebird Screams

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

MARCH 4, 2024

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March Dates to Remember:



Mar. 1 - Lottery Closes @ 5pm
Mar. 1 - Math 1 & Math 3 Check-Ins
Mar. 5 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm
Mar. 7 - 1st Grade POL - Mad Science
Mar. 7 - 5th Grade Field Trip - Bennett Place
Mar. 7 - End of 3rd Quarter
Mar. 7 - Spring Band Concert, 6:00pm HS Gym
Mar. 11 - 1st Grade Author Visit
Mar. 11 - PTA Board Meeting, 6:00pm
Mar. 11 - PTA Quarter Auction Meeting, 7:00pm
Mar. 12 - Spring Picture Day (K-5, 6-11 optional)
Mar. 12 - Classroom Group Picture (K-5 Only)
Mar. 14-15 - One Act Play Festival, 7:00pm-9:00pm
Mar. 15 - Lottery via Zoom, 10:00am
Mar. 15 - Report Cards go home
Mar. 19 - Board Meeting (if called), 6:30pm
Mar. 22 - Medlin/Wood English IV (1st Period) Field Trip, 8:00am-12:00pm
Mar. 22 - Senior Movie Night, 7:00pm-9:00pm
Mar. 26 - Family Tours; Kindergarten 5:00pm-6:00pm, 1st-12th 6:00pm-7:00pm
Mar. 27-28 - 8th Grade Washington DC Field Trip
Mar. 29 - Wellness Day - No School for Students & Staff
Mar. 29 - Deadline to complete enrollment forms for new students

Message from Mr. Johnson

The end of this school year is in our sights! This week, we will end the third nine weeks of the 2023-2024 school year. As educators, we aim to teach with the end in mind and we desire to finish at a high level in every classroom. Our staff have been working extremely hard all year to determine where each student is currently at and working through a plan to get him/her to finish at current grade level. This drives what we do every single day. It is incredibly challenging for our staff to determine and meet the diverse set of needs among all our students in each of our classrooms. This is what makes teaching so challenging and dynamic, but most rewarding.

Like our teachers, all other staff are also working with the future in mind. The administration team is working right now to make improvements for the next school year. We are also looking to use our funding in the best ways to meet every need of every student we have, and will have, at our school. As you know, the lottery application process ended March 1, and we will have our lottery drawing on March 15 at 10am. This is always a special time for our school as we begin to enroll new families and begin to send off our graduating Seniors. Our school is governed by our Board of Directors and they are also making plans for a strong finish this year and next school year. At this time each year, they elect board new members to replace members that are rotating off if their service of three year terms.

I am proud to be a Firebird! I am very excited about our achievements and performance this school year. I am ready to finish strong and I cannot wait to see our students show off all that they have learned this school year. Thank you for being a strong supporter and member of the Firebird family!



Tuesday, March 5th @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, March 19th (if called) @ 6:30pm

NO SCHOOL



Teacher Workday - March 8th

Wellness Day - March 29th

Spring Break/Intersession - April 1st - 5th

Spring Picture Day



Tuesday, March 12th
Grades K-5; 6-11 optional

Classroom Group Pictures (K - 5 - ONLY)

CLASSROOM GROUP PHOTOS

Picture Day is:	3/12/2024	Price per Photo:	\$10.00
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PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR INFORMATION

School: Escuela	
Homeroom Name: Maestro de grupo	
Student Name: Estudiante	Grade: Grado
Phone: Teléfono	
E-Mail: Correo Electrónico	Quantity: Cantidad
TOTAL \$	

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Congratulations Coach Pearson!

Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

(February 9, 2024)

INDIANAPOLIS, IN -- The National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) is pleased to announce that Weston Pearson has been recognized by the NIAAA as a Certified Athletic Administrator.

To earn this distinction, Weston Pearson has demonstrated the highest level of knowledge and expertise in the field of interscholastic athletic administration. The voluntary certification process included a thorough evaluation of the candidate's educational background, experience, and professional contributions, as well as a rigorous, comprehensive written examination.

Weston Pearson is one of an elite group of interscholastic athletic administrators nationwide to attain this level of professionalism.



Elementary Music

Mark your calendars for our First and Second Grade Arts Night on March 7th. Third, Fourth, and Fifth grade will also have an Arts Night on March 20th. A music concert with Mrs. McWatters will start at 6:30 PM in the school gym. There will also be a visual arts display with Mrs. Swartz in the front of the school building. Our young artists and performers have been working hard to prepare for this event, and we can't wait to see them shine.

Concert details:

Students should wear their favorite concert/presentation attire. The concert will last less than an hour, but the memories will last a lifetime. The gym's performance doors will open at 6:00 PM. Don't wait until 6:30 to ensure that you have enough time to find a seat and get settled before the show starts.

We want to create a fun and supportive environment for our young performers. Please note that we ask you to refrain from talking during the concert and turning off your cell phone sounds. Let's make this a night to remember for our young performers!

PROM REFRESHMENT DONATION



Help to unlock the vibe of our electrifying Havana Night by donating these refreshment offerings. Elevate our FLA's senior and junior experience by signing up for refreshment donations to make every moment unforgettable at our 2024 Prom! Please drop off refreshments to the high school front office by Friday, April 19th by 10:00 AM. Scan the QR code for a direct link to the sign-up genius.

PRESS RELEASE

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Career Café for Students



CAREER CAFE COMES TO FALLS LAKE ACADEMY

For one day and one day only! 5th grade has been learning about the CFNC Paws in Jobland program and careers. We would like to share this information with all interested students! The cafe will take place **Wednesday, March 6th from 8-2 in the POL room.** We hope to see you there!



The 6th graders have been busy learning entrepreneur skills that helped them create 31 unique businesses. They began their project by listening to local business owners share about their products and how they started. Then each student created a business plan for a product they wanted to make. From these plans, the team narrowed it down to 31 businesses. Each business collaborated to create a list of items they needed before designing the slogan, logo, and commercial. They spent several weeks making products to sell. Additionally, they were responsible for designing their storefront and packaging their products. Other skills they also learned included marketing, supply and demand, sharing responsibility, customer service, and time management. On Friday, March 1 these young entrepreneurs welcomed hundreds of family members and students to the second annual Firebird Flea Market. This year's market included a Helping Hands Bookstore where proceeds were designated to the Shine Like Hailey Foundation. This charity was researched and selected by the students. The money made at the market will help fund this project for next year and allow the students to plan a fully funded field trip that will take place in May. The 6th-grade teachers and students want to thank everyone for supporting the market! "We hope the memories they made and the lessons learned through this project will last a lifetime!"~Kelly Herman



PTA

Upcoming PTA Quarter Auction Meetings:

March 11th, 21st, 28th and April 8th



The poster features a bright orange background. At the top, two black phoenix logos flank the text 'FLA PTA' in a large, bold, black serif font. Below this, 'QUARTER AUCTION' is written in a similar bold, black serif font. The date and time 'SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH 5PM-8PM' are displayed in a bold, black serif font. To the left, the word 'WIN' is repeated three times in a stylized, yellow, 3D font. To the right, the text '\$10 ENTRY W/PADDLE', '\$7 ADDT'L. PADDLES', 'CONCESSIONS', 'LOTS OF GREAT PRIZES', and 'LOCAL VENDORS' is listed in a bold, black serif font. At the bottom left, a hand holds up a white auction paddle with the number '64' on it, and another paddle with '17' is visible behind it. At the bottom right, there is a stack of US coins, including quarters and dimes. Above the coins, a yellow banner with a black border contains the text 'COMING SOON' in black, and the words 'EVENT ONLINE ORDERING' are written in a curved path above the banner.

FLA PTA

QUARTER AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH 5PM-8PM

**WIN
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\$10 ENTRY W/PADDLE
\$7 ADDT'L. PADDLES
CONCESSIONS
LOTS OF GREAT PRIZES
LOCAL VENDORS

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MIDDLE SCHOOL ONE ACT PLAY FESTIVAL

MARCH 14TH AND 15TH
AT 7PM IN HS GYM

TICKETS- \$5

The need is constant.
The gratification is instant.
Give blood.



**American
Red Cross**



FLA Blood Drive

Location – High School Gym

Address 1701 East Lyon Station Road
Creedmoor, NC 27522

March 25

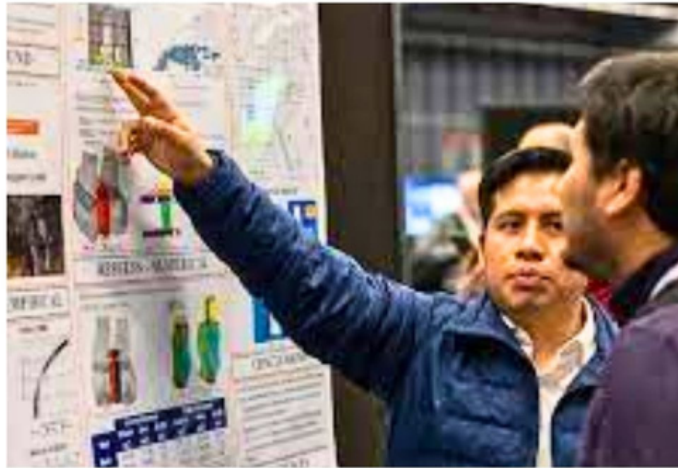
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Falls Lake Academy
Presents

Senior Capstone Project Presentations 2024



Come See Our Seniors' Final Projects

We are proud to announce our Capstone Project Presentations. Please join us for an exhibit hall type poster presentation highlighting every project completed by our Seniors. Come see and hear how they have chosen to serve our community and make an impact in our world.

What You Can Expect :

- Business Casual Dress ✓
- Interactive Presentations ✓
- Learn About Our Students' Passions ✓
- Connect and Network ✓
- Enjoy Light Refreshments ✓

April 26th, 5-7pm
Falls Lake Academy High School
1701 E Lyon Station Rd, Creedmoor

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Well that's all for this addition of the Screamer, until next time.....
-Fred the Firebird

