



# The Firebird Screams

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

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## April Dates to Remember:



Apr. 1-5 - Spring Break/Intersession  
Apr. 8 - PTA Board Meeting, 6:00pm  
Apr. 8 - PTA Fundraising & Hospitality Committee Meeting, 7:00pm  
Apr. 9 - Senior Cap & Gown Picture Day  
Apr. 9 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm  
Apr. 11 - 3rd-8th Grade Check-Ins Reading,  
Apr. 11 - Medlin's 3rd Period AP Class Field Trip  
Apr. 12 - 3rd-8th Grade Check-Ins Math  
Apr. 12 - 8th grade Formal, 7pm  
Apr. 13 - Quarter Auction, 7:00pm-9:00pm  
Apr. 15 - English II Check-Ins  
Apr. 15-19 - Senior Week  
Apr. 16 - Board Meeting (if called), 6:30pm  
Apr. 16-17 - 6th Grade Field Trip  
Apr. 18-19 - 7th Grade Field Trip  
Apr. 19 - Progress Reports go Home  
Apr. 20 - PROM, 7:00pm-10:00pm  
Apr. 22 - Fun Day PTA Event, 10:00am-1:00pm  
Apr. 23 - PAC Meeting, 6:00pm  
Apr. 24 - Administrative Professionals Day  
Apr. 25 - Senior Awards Night  
Apr. 25 - Elementary PTA Committee Meeting, 6:00pm  
Apr. 25-26 - 5th Grade Field Trip  
Apr. 26 - Math 1 & Math 3 Check-Ins  
Apr. 26 - Senior Project Presentation Night, 5:00pm-7:00pm  
Apr. 29-May 3 - Bookfair

## Message from Mr. Johnson

What a wonderful time of year!

I love to look out and see all the plants starting to bloom and the buds bursting forward on the trees. The warmer weather continues to ease in and it gets us excited for what is to come. I am reminded of the similar things happening in our students during this time of year. Just as the plants have stored up their energy and matured over fall and winter, our students have been doing the same. Now is the time we hope to see the full and radiant blooms, both on the plants outside and through our students inside!

As a parent, this is what we all want for our children. We (parents) also want the community and school to come alongside us during this growth. As a parent, we will take all the support we can get. As your child's school, we want to do our best to walk alongside you in this!

As you see mentioned in this version of the Screamer, I want to reiterate and encourage parents to attend the session we are hosting on April 29th at 6pm. This session will be a very informative presentation about "Parenting Children with ADHD." Based on the illustration above, sometimes we have children that struggle to manage their energy or maintain their attention. At our school, we see students that struggle with this. We try to manage it here the best we can, but again, we need to be strong partners in doing the best for our students. Even if you don't have a child with ADHD, this meeting will be beneficial to you as well. You will most likely interact with other children that struggle with ADHD at some point. It may come as you are chaperoning an event or maybe when your child has a friend stay over for a night. I would love for you to attend with us.

I am excited that this event is coming to our school and I am even more excited that it is being provided at no cost for you. Please dedicate a little time to come learn with us!

Thank you for a wonderful school year and I am looking forward to a strong finish!



Tuesday, April 9th @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, April 16th (if called) @ 6:30pm

## CHANGE IN BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Two of FLA's board members were recently recognized for the years of service on the FLA Board of Directors. Mr. Kevin Nolte and Mrs. La-Shell Johnson recently completed their terms as BOD members. Mr. Nolte and Mrs. Johnson were celebrated for their dedication and commitment to the establishment of Falls Lake Academy. They have volunteered countless hours to the planning, development and governance of our great school. THANK YOU for your service from the entire Firebird Family! Enjoy your "board retirement".

We would also like to welcome four new board members!  
Audrey Boone, Rebecca Marion, Benjamin Averette and Brian Massengill

## Meet our New Board of Directors



**Audrey Boone** currently serves as Senior Economic Developer of Industrial Projects for ElectriCities of North Carolina. Audrey has been an economic development professional since 2016, beginning her career in Texas. She is currently completing coursework to obtain her Certified Economic Developer designation from the International Economic Development Council.

Audrey has been involved in and served on several boards of nonprofit, civic, and membership organizations including the Texas Economic Development Council, the Workforce Solutions of Texoma Board, Kiwanis, and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

The Boone family resides in Butner and is excited to join Falls Lake Academy!



**Rebecca Marion** is a native of Granville County and currently serves as the Associate Executive Director at Croasdaile Village, one of the largest Continuing Care Retirement Communities in North Carolina. Rebecca has a passion for serving seniors and has committed her career to senior living management. She currently holds a license in Nursing Home Administration and Adult Care Home Administration. She is recognized in the community as a North Carolina Leadership Academy Fellow and

enjoys the professional growth and development of others.

Rebecca also serves as the Long Term Care Caucus Leader for the Duke Emergency Management Healthcare Coalition. She is a graduate of North Carolina State University and holds a Bachelor of Science in Human Biology and Genetic Research. Outside of her professional career, she is a wife and mom and currently resides in Wake Forest with her family.



**Benjamin Averette** was born and raised on a farm in the Vance County community of Hicksboro. He graduated from N.C. State University with a B.S. in Applied Sociology with a concentration in Criminal Justice. Ben began his career with the Raleigh Fire Department in 1999 and currently holds the rank of Battalion Chief. He is married to his amazing wife Anna and the two have lived in the Creedmoor area since 2007. They have one son, Charles, and the three are active members of Pleasant Grove

Baptist Church. Ben looks forward to serving you as a member of the board.



**Brian Massengill** is a motivated member of the Falls Lake Academy Board of Directors. He grew up in Granville County and graduated from South Granville High School in 1999. From there Brian attended Vance Granville Community College where he acquired his Associates Degree in Criminal Justice. He is married to his wonderful wife of 20 years, Jennifer. They have three children, Wyatt (6) who is in first grade, Levi

(13) who is in eighth grade and Khloe (14) who is in ninth grade at Falls Lake Academy. Brian is a Sergeant for the Durham Police Department and has been there for 24 years. While working for the Durham Police Department he has had many roles and is currently in Personnel Services. He is an active general instructor for the North Carolina Training and Standards and is an instructor for the National Highway Safety Administration. Brian is excited to be a part of the Falls Lake Academy family and looks forward to working with the Staff and all the families that are a part of Falls Lake Academy.



# NO SCHOOL

## Spring Break - April 1 - 5



# School Calendars:

CLICK BELOW TO VIEW:

2024 - 2025 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR



## SENIOR CAP & GOWN PICTURE DAY

### APRIL 9TH

1 PICK YOUR PACKAGE(S) <small>(ELIGE SUS PAQUETES)</small>			
<b>A</b> <b>\$69</b> 2 - 8x10s 4 - 5x7s 4 - 3x5s 8 - 2x3s 16 - 2x3s	<b>B</b> <b>\$59</b> 1 - 8x10 2 - 5x7s 4 - 3x5s 16 - 2x3s	<b>C</b> <b>\$49</b> 1 - 8x10 2 - 5x7s 4 - 3x5s 8 - 2x3s	
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			<b>N</b> <b>\$10</b> 4 - 3x5s

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# FLA Booster Club Corner



The Falls Lake Booster Club will have a Captain's Choice (Superball) golf tournament on April 27, 2024, at South Granville Country Club, with a 1:30 pm start.

The booster club supports all athletic teams to pay for equipment, uniforms, field rentals, and upkeep of facilities. How can you help; by entering a team to play in the tournament or buying a hole sponsorship. For more information or brochures, please contact a Booster Club member or one of the Athletic Directors.

We need your support! Our next Booster Club meeting will be April 9th at 6:00 pm in the High School Lobby.

## DIY Camp for Girls is back!

Session 1 - June 3-7 OR

Session 2 - June 10-14

Who? - Rising 2nd graders and up

Cost - Early registration is \$150

before April 19th (including supplies) -

After April 19th is \$160

Time - 9am to 2pm

Location: FLA room 206

Bring attached form and cash or check (made out to FLA) to the main office, Mrs. Voss, or Mrs. Frazier.

If you have any questions email [mollyvoss@fallslakeacademy.com](mailto:mollyvoss@fallslakeacademy.com)

Summer fun for girls!

# DIY

Crafts & More

with Mrs. Voss & Mrs. Frazier

Come hang out with us this summer and DIY all things PINK! Learn new skills. Make new friends. And have tons of fun as we DIY our way through everything from slime to lip gloss.

**DIY Lip Gloss**

**Barbie Fluffy Slime**

**Pink Snacks and Drinks**

Malibu Mermaid Slime  
Pretty in Pink Barbie Slime  
Lip Gloss  
Fun Experiments  
Simple Sewing  
Perfectly pink snacks and drinks!  
Room Decor and More!

**For:** Rising 2nd graders and up

**Dates:** Session 1 June 3-7 or Session 2 June 10-14

**Times:** 9 AM - 2 PM (Bring a lunch!)

**Cost:** \$160 (fee includes supplies)  
**SAVE \$10!**  
Cost is \$150 if you sign up before April 19!

Please complete this form and turn it in with payment. Make checks payable to FLA (memo - DIY camp). Payment and form can be turned in to front office, Mrs. Frazier, or Mrs. Voss. Spots are limited so do not delay! DIY Camp is being held on the FLA campus in room 206.

Session Preference: Session 1 | Session 2

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/PAA: \_\_\_\_\_

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**





### **DATE AND PLACE**

Monday, April 29th at 6 pm  
Online! Sign-up [here](#).

# **PARENTING CHILDREN WITH ADHD**

## **ABOUT THIS SESSION**

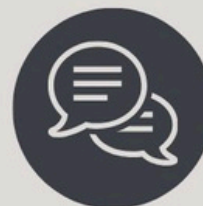
This seminar will help parents better understand the issues they have found most challenging, gain insight as to how symptoms of ADHD impact their child more broadly, and learn specific strategies to address the main difficulties encountered in parenting their neurodiverse children.

## **OUR MAIN TOPICS**



### **Organize**

Organize your home to support greater independence and task completion.



### **Communicate**

Increase your child's competence and confidence in self-regulation.



### **Create**

Create an environment of support that enables your parent-child relationship to thrive!



# Murder's In The Heir



BY **BILLY ST JOHN**

**Falls Lake Academy**  
**7pm on May 3 & 4**  
**2pm on May 5**

**Students: \$8**  
**Adults: \$10**  
**Buy Tickets Here:**





# PTA Announcements



## DON'T MISS THIS EVENT!

The FLA PTA is excited to host a Quarter Auction on Saturday, April 13, 2024 from 4-8pm in the Main Building Gym! All proceeds will go to support FLA students, families, and staff through various PTA initiatives.

Save your spot now and purchase auction paddles at the following link:

<https://fallslakeacademy.memberhub.com/store>.

Anyone interested in making a monetary donation to go towards more prizes for the Quarter Auction can also do so at the above link.



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR - ANNUAL PTA BOARD ELECTIONS!

The PTA will be holding its election for PTA Board members for the 2024-25 school year at the PTA General Membership Meeting on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 7pm in the POL Room. PTA members should plan to attend. Not a member but want a chance to vote? You can still join the PTA at the link below.

Interested in joining the PTA Board or nominating a fellow parent, staff, or community member? Reach out to [mandibrandt@fallslakeacademy.com](mailto:mandibrandt@fallslakeacademy.com).



## COME JOIN US!

Not yet a FLA PTA member? Visit <https://fallslakeacademy.memberhub.com/store> to join TODAY. Being a member gives you a voice in your local PTA.

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

-Fred the Firebird

