

TIGER TALES

February 7, 2025



Reminder:
Winter Break is coming up:
February 17-21

REMINDERS:

NO EARLY DROP OFF: The school day at DCS begins at 8:35am (10:35am on storm days when there is a 2 hour delay). Please do not drop your student off before this time as there is no adult supervision for students until school begins.

IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT: If your child is going to be late or absent to school please call the school office at 353-9333 by 9:00am. This really helps us to make sure that all of our students are safe either here at school or at home.

END OF SCHOOL DAY: Due to our end of day pick up procedures we do switch our phones to our answering machine beginning at 2:45 each day. If you have any after school changes for your child that you need to let the office know please call the school before 2:00. Thank you!

CLASSROOM CELEBRATIONS: If you are bringing in treats for your child's classroom celebrations, birthdays, etc. please make sure to:

- *Check with your student's teacher to find out about any allergies
- *Make sure the treat is ready to serve and does not need to be cut /divided
- *Provide any utensils/napkins/plates



Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten Registration

We are currently registering students for the 2025-26 school year.
Please go to our homepage to pre-register your child for Pre-K and Kindergarten

Pre-Kindergarten

Our Pre-K program is designed to prepare students with the skills needed to be successful in Kindergarten and to support learning and exploration in our youngest learners. All children who reside in Durham and will be four years of age on or before October 15, 2025 are eligible for our free public Pre-K program in the fall.

The Pre-K program is half days Monday-Friday, either mornings (8:35am-11:20am) or afternoons (12:30pm - 3:15pm) with bus transportation provided. We are excited to offer 48 spaces, two morning classes and one afternoon class of sixteen children in each session. If there are fewer than 48 students registered all students are accepted but if there are more children registered than spaces available, priority will be given to those with academic or developmental needs, and the remaining places will be determined through a lottery for those students who sign up by March 7. After the initial selection, a waiting list will be created on a first come, first serve basis in case openings become available.

Kindergarten

All children who reside in Durham and will be 5 years of age on or before October 15, 2025 are eligible for kindergarten in the fall.

If your child is currently enrolled in our PreK program with Mrs. Merrill or Ms. Baker you do not need to register. Unless we hear otherwise, we will assume that your child will be continuing on to Kindergarten.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER!

Join Us on Saturday, March 15 | 8 AM - 11 AM
at Bliss Farm Inn at 1290 Royalsborough Rd. Durham

Each serving of delicious **Strawberry Pancakes** is only \$10.00!
Dine-in option is FCFS but To-Go orders will also be sold!



6th Annual DCS Has Talent Auditions!

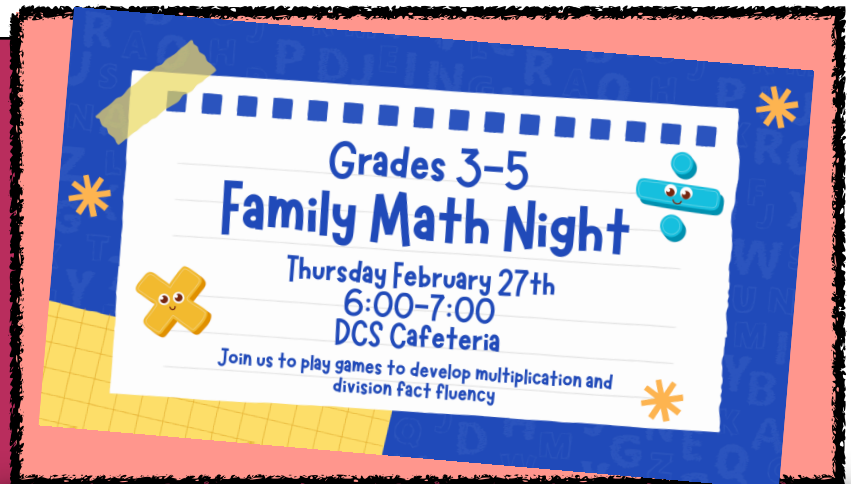
Annual Talent Show auditions will be on
February 10 (K-4) and February 11 (5-8).

Now is the time to start practicing your act!

Students who are prepared and ready to perform will
be chosen for the show as we
will have just two rehearsals.

The date of the Talent Show is March 13.

Please email hallh@rsu5.org if you have any
questions or would like to sign up for an audition.



Middle School Yearbook for Gr. 5-8



Order Your
YEARBOOK
TODAY!

Durham Community School

ORDER ONLINE

INTER-STATE.COM/ORDER
Order Code: **93169S**
Online Orders Due By: Friday, April 04, 2025



SCAN THE QR CODE
for easy ordering!

CASH OR CHECK ORDERS

Complete the form on the back and return to your school by:
Friday, April 04, 2025
Please make check payable to: Durham Community School

YEARBOOK
Update

VALENTINE'S SOCIAL

JOIN US FOR DANCING IN THE CAFETERIA
BASKETBALL IN THE GYM

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 7TH
6-8PM

OPEN TO DCS AND FMS GRADES 6-8

\$5 ADMISSION
SNACKS AND DRINKS FOR SALE

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE DCS ACTIVITIES FUND



National Girls & Women in Sports Day Event!

Join RSU 5 Community Programs and **Strong Girls United** for an event celebrating National Girls & Women in Sports Day! Participate in multi-sports, team building activities, and mental health skills stations! Participants will receive SGU t-shirt and workbook!
Open to K-6th graders!

Women's Leadership Workshop for Women interested in getting involved in Athletics! Featuring Sarah Jamo (Head Coach, USM Softball), Marcia Wood (Head Coach, FHS Field Hockey & Girls' Lacrosse), and other community sports leaders we'll discuss the importance of women in coaching roles! Community Programs recreation staff will be on hand to talk about local opportunities to coach and lead, so you can put your interest into immediate action! To learn more and register scan the QR Code below or go to: rsu5cp.org or call **207-865-6171**

February 20, 2025
Freeport High School Gym

4:00-6:00pm - SGU Event
5:00-6:00pm - Women's Leadership Workshop

CAN'T ATTEND IN PERSON?
 Explore our online Mental Skills resources tailored for K-12 athletes, parents, and coaches. Learn more at sgunitedfoundation.org/resources.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

ABOUT US
 Strong Girls United is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to empower girls through sports, mentorship, and mental health programming. All programs and events center around this mission and our motto:

**STRONG BODIES.
 KIND HEARTS.
 UNSTOPPABLE MINDS.**

We collaborate with community partners, colleges, and professional teams and athletes to run high impact events for youth girls.

“ I liked that we were on a team, felt strong, and did group activities - **Gianna, Age 7**

SG UNITED FOUNDATION
 Empowering strong girls for life

[SGUNITEDFOUNDATION.ORG](http://sgunitedfoundation.org)



PARENTS

Night Out!

Friday, Feb. 7 - 5:30-8:30 pm

FHS Cafe + Gym - 30 Holbrook St., Freeport

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Treat yourself to an evening out while we watch the kids!

\$20 - per child

For more information and to register, visit this link:

CIVICS 101 is an engaging six-week program designed to educate and inspire participants about the intricacies of local government while fostering connections within the community. This interactive course offers a unique blend of hands-on learning and insightful discussions that provide a behind-the-scenes look at how the Town of Freeport works. CIVICS101 promises a valuable experience for anyone eager to learn more about local government and its role in shaping a more vibrant, livable, and connected community.

Date	Theme	Departments/Board
March 10	Welcome & Government 101	Town Manager, Town Clerk, Town Council
March 17	Community Services	Library & Freeport Community Television
March 24	Public Services	Public Works, Planning and Codes
March 31	Administration (how do we keep the Town going)	Assessing Dept. Finance Dept.
April 7	Public Safety	Police Fire - Rescue
April 14	Committees	Town Manager, Board and Committee reps.

All sessions are Mondays, 6-8pm, at Freeport Town Hall unless otherwise communicated.

Register here:

or at rsu5cp.org
 or call 207-865-6171

Presented by: