



The Firebird Screams

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

-Fred the Firebird

MAY 5, 2025

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May Dates to Remember:



- May 1 - Senior Walk, 9:00am
- May 1 - Kindergarten POL - Habitats
- May 1 - HS Field Day
- May 2 - Teacher Workday
- May 2-4 - Spring Show, 7:00pm-9:00pm., HS Gym
- May 5-9 - Spring Book Fair
- May 5-9 - Staff Appreciation Week
- May 5-16 - AP Testing
- May 6 - AP Test - US Government, 12:00pm
- May 6 - Rising 6th Grader Orientation, 6:00pm-7:00pm, ES/MS Gym
- May 6 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm
- May 7 - AP Test - English Literature and Composition, 8:00am
- May 8 - HS Band Field Trip - Lake Rogers Park, 12:00pm-6:00pm
- May 8 - 1st Grade POL - Habitats
- May 8 - HS Art Expo, 9:00am-3:00pm
- May 8 - Band Concert, 6:00pm
- May 9 - AP Test - US History, 8:00am
- May 9 - Elementary Field Day
- May 10 - PROM
- May 12-23 - EOG / EOC / NCFE Testing
- May 12 - AP Tests - Calc AB / Calc BC, 8:00am
- May 13 - PTA Board Meeting, 6:00pm, POL Room
- May 13 - General PTA Meeting, 7:00pm, POL Room
- May 14 - Science EOG
- May 14 - AP Test - English Language and Composition, 8:00am
- May 15-16 - No School for Students in Grades K - 2
- May 15 - Sewing Class's Runway Show Rehearsal, 3:35pm-6:00pm, HS Gym
- May 15 - Reading EOG
- May 15 - Early Release for Students in grades 3rd-8th Only
- May 15 - Advance Sewing POL, 6:00pm-7:30pm HS Gym
- May 16 - Math EOG
- May 16 - Early Release for Students in grades 3rd-8th Only
- May 16 - Senior Trip - Carowinds, 9:45am-3:00pm
- May 17 - Campus Beautification Day, 9:00am-1:00pm
- May 19 - Kindergarten Awards
- May 20 - 1st Grade Awards
- May 20 - HS Athletic Awards Night, 6:00pm, HS Gym
- May 20 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm - (if called)
- May 21 - 2nd Grade Awards
- May 21 - MS Athletic Awards Night, 6:00pm, HS Gym
- May 22 - MS Field Day
- May 23 - Last day of school
- May 23 - 3rd-8th Grade Awards
- May 23 - Report cards go home (Grades K-8th)
- May 23 - Early Release for students and staff
- May 26 - Holiday - Memorial Day
- May 27-30 - Teacher Workdays
- May 30 - Graduation Practice & Luncheon, 9:00am-1:00pm
- May 31 - Graduation, 10:00am - HS Gym

Message from Mr. Johnson

The end of the school year is a great time for reflection on our accomplishments.

I feel that our school year, as fast as it went by, has been very successful. I define success not merely by a test score or a one time achievement, but more so by the personal growth of our students, our staff, and ourselves. I determine success by seeing the enormous and positive impact we have on those around us. I determine success by the fruitful friendships and relationships that have developed or strengthened. Success is the outward signs of greatness.

While I, like others, find comfort in things that are familiar or easy, we often grow the most when we are challenged. I feel like our staff have done a great job asking our students to reach higher and strive for excellence when our students would sometimes rather be in a sidecar taking a ride down easy road. When we face challenges we have to work for what we can accomplish. In these times, we get to see glimpses of greatness in our students. When we take time to look for this, we can see that one thing, or maybe more, that they can do like no other. I call this their gift! When we see this, as a staff member, leader, or even a parent, I feel it is my duty to speak that to our students. This is the greatest inspiration that a student or child can experience. Every single student has a gift and this gift is exactly what our school, our community, and/or our family needs. As we finish up the school year, we all have many opportunities to speak greatness to every student. We have time to outline the gift each student has. Let's give them the inspiration to get to the next level. Let's help them be magnificent students, young adults, and citizens of our community! This is how we achieve greatness as a school and this is one way we can continue to be successful in our "All for One" theme from this school year. May we all finish the year strong and stand proud of what we have accomplished! Great job on a successful school year!



Tuesday, May 6th @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, May 20th (if called) @ 6:30pm

END OF GRADE TESTING SCHEDULE

Below you will find a schedule of the testing sessions: (subject to change)

Elementary School

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 - Science EOG for Grade 5

Thursday, May 15, 2025 - Reading EOG for Grades 3, 4, and 5

Friday, May 16, 2025 - Math EOG for Grades 3, 4, and 5

No School May 15th and 16th for students in grades K-2.

Early Release at 12:30pm for 3-5 students on May 15th and 16th

Middle School

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 - Science EOG for Grade 8

Thursday, May 15, 2025 - Reading EOG for Grades 6, 7, and 8

Friday, May 16, 2025 - Math EOG for Grades 6, 7, and 8

Early Release at 12:30pm for 6-8 students on May 15th and 16th.

High School

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 - AP US Government Exam, 12:00pm

Wednesday, May 7, 2025 - AP English Literature and Composition Exam, 8:00am

Friday, May 9, 2025 - AP US History Exam, 8:00am

Monday, May 12, 2025 - AP Calc AB / Cal BC Exams, 8:00am

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 - AP English Language Composition Exam, 8:00am

Monday, May 19, 2025 - 1st Period HS Exams

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 - 2nd Period HS Exams

Wednesday, May 21, 2025 - 3rd Period HS Exams

Thursday, May 22, 2025 - 4th Period HS Exams



EOY Lunch Reminder

Please note there will be NO catered lunches delivered from May 9th through May 23rd. This also means that we will not have Lunch items 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 12th through May 22nd. 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!

UPCOMING 7TH AND 12TH GRADERS



Just a reminder for those students who will be entering 7th and 12th grade next 2025-2026 school year:

7th grade immunization requirement is 1 dose of Tdap and 1 dose of Meningococcal vaccine

12th grade immunization requirement is a another dose of Meningococcal vaccine

These must be completed within the first 30 days of school or your student may not return until they are complete. The summer is a great time to get these completed to be ready for the 2025-2026 school year. Any questions or concerns please email the school nurse at traceyruffin@fallslakeacademy.com.



Elementary - Friday, May 9th

Middle School - Thursday, May 22nd

IMPORTANT REMINDERS!

No School May 15th and 16th for students in grades K-2

Early Release May 15th and 16th at 12:30pm for students in grades 3-8

May 23rd - Last Day of School for Students;
Early Release Day for Students & Staff

Final Report Cards

Final report cards for students in K-8 will be sent home on the last day of school, students in grades 9-11 can pick them up from the ES/MS office between June 2nd - 6th.

If you would like your student's report card to be mailed to you please turn in a pre-addressed and pre-stamped envelope to your student's PAA before Friday, May 16th, and a copy will be mailed to you.

Prom Donations

Please consider donating refreshment items requested from the sign up genius below to help make our Prom unforgettable. Items can be dropped off at the high school front office until May 9th for our Enchanted Evening at HighRock Farms in Oxford.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9A82CA3F5C61-56097303-prom>

Kindergarten Awards Day

(in the classrooms)

Parham - 11:00am

Tunstal - 12:00pm

Rivera - 12:30pm

Smoak - 12:30pm

Beautification Day

Saturday, May 17th from 9am-1pm

PTA will have something for everyone to do. Come to help clean up and straighten up our campus. We will be planting flowers/trees to replace dead ones, pulling weeds, trimming bushes, picking up trash, putting out mulch and repairing fences and signs. Bring tools if you have them and lets make it a fun and worthwhile event while earning some community service or parental involvement hours.

SCHOLASTIC BOGO BOOKFAIR

7:15 AM -
4:00 PM

Everything
is buy one,
get one
free!

May
5-9

- Everything in this book fair is Buy One, Get One Free. Everything! This is a great opportunity to stock up on some summer reading.
- e-Wallet: Give your student a secure, cash-free way to shop the fair. www.scholastic.com/bf/fallslakeacademycharter
- Our Spring Bookfair is NOT a fundraiser for the library. We send all of our profits home with students as free books!
- If you would like to volunteer to help at the bookfair, check your Jupiter message for a sign-up link!

FALLS LAKE ACADEMY LIBRARY
FirebirdsRead



Welcome to
**MIDDLE
SCHOOL**
Presentation



MAY 6, 2025
6 PM in the K-8 Gym

Learn all about middle school
at FLA! Open to rising 6th
graders and their families.





ADVANCED SEWING PRESENTS

SPRING RUNWAY SHOW

MAY 15 ~ 6:00PM ~ HS GYM

11 Designers, 8 Collections, 1 Night

Free admission – donations of fabric and sewing supplies requested

France, Germany and the Alps

Missed the Trip Meeting? There's Still Time to Join!

We recently hosted an information session about our exciting 2026 trip to France, Germany & the Alps, and the response has been incredible! If you weren't able to attend but are still interested in learning more or enrolling, there's still time to join us.

Here's what you can do:

- Enroll today at www.eftours.com/2890876DK or by calling EF Traveler Support at 800-665-5364.
- Contact Mr. Overholt: loganoverholt@fallslakeacademy.com

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ATHLETIC AWARDS

Dress to Impress



HS MAY 20, 2025 6PM
MS MAY 21, 2025 6PM

Creedmoor, NC



FALLS LAKE ACADEMY

SUMMER SOCCER CAMP

DATES
JULY 7 – JULY 11

Camp Ball Included
Boys & Girls Ages 6-15
Full or Half Day Camp



**SIGN UP
NOW**

WWW.NBTSOCCER.COM/CAMPS

Well firebirds, that is all for this school year and this edition of "The Screamer".
This is Fred the Firebird wishing you all a farewell until next school year!

