



FAYETTEVILLE ACADEMY

Parent Newsletter
October 1, 2025



PICTURE OF THE WEEK

6th graders Isabella Kelly and Dahlia Ervin bring the conversación to life in Spanish class with Sra. Mayville.

Photo Credit: Zoe Barding, Eagle Publications

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 2 & 3 - No School /Parent-Teacher Conferences

October 7 - Fall Sports Senior Night / 4:45 PM (Jordan Soccer Field)

October 8 - PSAT/NMSQT (Grades 10 & 11)

October 8 - FAFSA Night (Seniors & Parents) / 6:00-7:00 PM

October 13 - No School / Columbus Day

October 17 - End of Term 1 / MU Half Day

October 17 - Movie Night / 6:30-9:00 PM

October 23 - Picture Make-up Day

October 24 - Fall Book Fair

October 25 - Dinner Theater / 6:30 PM

October 27 - 31 - Red Ribbon Week

October 31 - Halloween Carnival / 4:00 - 6:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Exciting News: Fayetteville Academy Ranks Among the Best!

We're thrilled to announce that Fayetteville Academy has achieved an impressive #1 ranking in Best Private High Schools on Niche! This outstanding recognition highlights our commitment to academic excellence, innovative programs, and student support.

A big thank you to our dedicated students, exceptional staff and supportive community for making this possible. Your hard work and enthusiasm are truly what sets us apart!

Stay tuned for more updates and celebrations as we continue to excel and grow together.

If you'd like to leave a review of Fayetteville Academy, please click the link below:

[Leave a Review!](#)

Time to Tidy the Playroom!

Now's the perfect moment to clean out those gently used toys! The Lower School STEAM program is looking for battery-operated toys for an upcoming hands-on project.

Please send donations to Mrs. Reeder. Simple toys work best, but all contributions are welcome. Examples include toddler toys with a few large buttons, lights, or sounds.

Thank you for helping our young engineers explore and create!

kreeder@fayacademy.org



PSAT/NMSQT Information for 10th & 11th Grade Students

All 10th and 11th grade students have been registered to take the PSAT/NMSQT on Wednesday, October 8, 2025.



Important Details:

1. Location & Time: The test will be held in the New Gym at Fayetteville Academy. Please arrive by 8:00 a.m. Testing begins promptly at 8:20 a.m.. Students will not be admitted once testing has started.
2. Fee: The cost of the exam is \$20, which will be billed through your FACTS account.
3. Format: The PSAT/NMSQT is a digital exam. Learn more here: [PSAT/NMSQT Digital Test Information](#)
4. Technology: A Chromebook will be issued to you on test day.
5. Electronics Policy: Do not bring personal electronic devices into the testing area. All devices will be collected and stored away from desks before testing begins.
6. Calculator Use: A digital calculator will be available within the test. You may also bring your own approved calculator. See the [Approved Calculator List & Guidelines](#).

Good luck to all students as you prepare for test day!

ACT & SAT Testing at FA

Attention 11th and 12th Grade Students:

Fayetteville Academy will host the SAT and ACT on campus this year.

- SAT – November 8, 2025 (Register by October 24 on the College Board website)
- ACT – December 13, 2025 (Register by November 7 at ACT.org using our test center code 25800. Our site will not appear in MyACT because it is unlisted.)



Students may also register for any other SAT/ACT test date or location.

Additional Test Dates

- SAT: November 8, 2025 • March 14, 2026 • May 2, 2026 • June 6, 2026
- ACT: December 13, 2025 • February 14, 2026 • April 11, 2026 • June 3, 2026



The Power of One Starts With You!

The 2026 Eagle Fund campaign is officially in motion, and we're setting our sights high: \$100,000 raised and 100% family participation. Together, we can do this—and it all starts with YOU!

Every gift matters. Every pledge counts. Every family makes an impact. That's the Power of One.

Ready to join in?

[Donate Now](#)

[Pledge Now](#)

Want to see the difference your support makes? Check out FA's brand-new [Guide to Giving Back](#) and discover how your generosity powers opportunities for every Eagle.

Let's show the strength of our community and soar past our goal—one family, one gift, one powerful impact at a time!

Italy 2027: Only 3 Spots Remain

Only 3 spots remain for our Summer 2027 Italy Tour! Imagine walking through the streets of Rome, standing inside the Colosseum, and visiting the Vatican. Picture yourself in Florence, surrounded by

world-famous art and history, or taking in the beauty of Assisi while enjoying authentic Italian cuisine.

This unforgettable adventure is open to students currently in grades 7–11 (rising 9th and up in Summer 2027). Don't miss your chance to explore Italy with your classmates and friends, spaces are almost gone!

[Claim Your Spot!](#)



Don't Wrap It Up Just Yet!

Our Charleston Wrap fundraiser has been extended until October 10 which means there's still time to shop your favorites and help us reach our goal!

We're not there yet, and the junior class is counting on YOU to make it happen. Every purchase makes a big difference, so stock up, share the link with friends and family, and let's wrap this fundraiser up with success!

Questions: mvanderzell@fayacademy.org

[Register Now!](#)

A promotional graphic for the Charleston Wrap fundraiser. At the top, it says 'Fayetteville Academy' and 'REGISTER. SHARE. SHOP. SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER'. Below this, there's a QR code and the text 'Check-off your holiday gift list today and help our important cause. From holiday to hostess to corporate gifts and more, our online store has something for every occasion - even if it's just for you!'. The graphic is divided into three sections: 1. REGISTER, 2. SHARE, and 3. SHOP. Each section provides instructions on how to participate. At the bottom, there are images of various holiday-themed items available for purchase, including Christmas cards, ornaments, and gift tags.

Upper School Arrival & Dismissal: Be Ready to Roll!

For the safety of all Upper School students, staff, and families, please keep the following guidelines in mind during arrival and dismissal:

- **Drive Slowly:** Proceed through all car line areas at a reduced speed, especially during peak times.
- **Follow the Flow:** Stick to the designated traffic patterns—directional signs are in place to guide you.
- **Stop Means Stop:** Always come to a complete stop at all stop signs on campus.
- **No Passing:** Do not create extra lanes or attempt to pass waiting cars. Patience keeps everyone safe.
- **Be Ready to Roll:** In the morning, have your student fully prepared to exit the vehicle quickly when you reach the staff member on duty—backpack on, shoes tied, breakfast finished, and all set for the day. Parents should



remain in their vehicles to keep the line moving and avoid delays. Once your student has safely reached the sidewalk, you may proceed forward when it's safe.

Your cooperation helps us keep the Upper School car line safe, smooth, and efficient. Let's all be ready to roll!

Don't let this year fade away—capture it in COLOR!

From the very first day of school to championship wins, performances, class trips, and everything in between, our award-winning yearbook has it all. Every student. Every grade. Every moment.

[Buy Your Yearbook Now!](#)



Corporate Sponsorship

If you are interested in becoming a corporate sponsor for the 2025–2026 school year, please contact Jasie Landeros, Director of Advancement.

jlanderos@fayacademy.org.



New Spirit Wear Arriving Soon

Don't miss your chance to grab the newest gear and show off your FA pride. Get yours today!

[School Store!](#)

Community Service Corner

Teaching our students to give back to our

community is as important as the lessons they learn in the classroom. If you are in the know about any local opportunities, we would love to feature them in our newsletter in our new "Community Service Corner". Please feel free to reach out via email: agillis@fayacademy.org



NC Down Syndrome Alliance

On Sunday, October 19th, from 1-5 pm the NC Down Syndrome Alliance is hosting our largest event and fundraiser of the year at Sugg Farm in Holly Springs. We're in need of many volunteers to make this happen—we're expecting 2,000+ attendees! We need help in a variety of areas, from setting up t-shirt tents to monitoring the inflatables to assisting with our sensory tents... and much more.

North Carolina Down Syndrome Alliance

Date: Every Thursday

Time: 7:00 PM

Online Improvaneers and BINGO: Join teens/adults online for Bingo or Improv acting classes. Engage and participate with the youth to encourage their activity.

Contact: christy@ncdsalliance.org

NCDSA Buddy Walk Info

Find more info about the NCDSA Buddy Walk, click [HERE](#).

Off-Road Outreach

October 10 & 11, 2025

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Veggies for Vets (Greenhouse Makeover): general gardening, clearing out greenhouse

*Must sign up on website

Contact: Stacey@offroadoutreach.org

Special Olympics Cumberland County

Tennis Invitational

October 11, 2025

1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Contact: benjaminkowalczyk@fayettevillenc.gov

*Apply online

Soccer Invitational

November 1, 2025

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Contact: benjaminkowalczyk@fayettevillenc.gov

*Apply online

Cape Fear Botanical Garden

Heritage Family Farm Day

October 11, 2025

9:15 AM - 1:30 P

Contact: volunteers@capefearbg.org

*Application Required

Botanical

help with event or table activities

October 23-26, 2025

4:00 PM - 9:15 PM

Contact: volunteers@capefearbg.org

*Application and 2 Hour training required

Assist staff with lawn games and table activities

October 14, 2025

5:15-9:30 PM

Contact: volunteers@capefearbg.org

*Application Required

Party of the Pines: Saving Our Savannas Art Night
(children and family event)

Assist staff at creative art stations based on the exhibit Saving Our Savannas, such as pine needle painting, pine tree cookie decorating, venus fly trap puppets, and more.

Veggie Garden

Every Wednesday (March-November)

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Work with Master Gardeners--weeding and working with plants

Contact: volunteers@capefearbg.org

Horticulture

Every Tuesday & Wednesday

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Assist staff in general garden maintenance

Contact: volunteers@capefearbg.org

Fayetteville Animal Protection Society

Year Rounds Needs

Care for animals, cleaning, etc.

Contact: volunteer@fapspet.org

Association of Bragg Spouses

October 18, 2025

5:00-8:00 PM

USO Trunk or Treat: help pass out candy

Contact: President@associationofbraggspouses.org

Fayetteville Urban Ministry, Inc.

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Service Saturday: Clothing closet, food pantry,

beautification on inside and outside of building
Contact: hgreene@fayurbmin.org or
trobinson@fayurbmin.org

Sustainable Sandhills

Every 2nd Saturday

9:00-11:00 AM

Creek Cleanup: Picking up litter in our creeks and storm drains

Contact: trinity@sustainablesandhills.org

Fayetteville Area Habitat for Humanity

Community Clean-Ups and Shutter Builds

Contact: fcr@fayettevillenchabitat.org

FAPA News & Events

FAPA Meeting

Join FAPA on November 5 at 8:30 AM in the cafeteria. Get updates from FAPA, Eagle Club and Arts & Entertainment Club all in one location!



Spirit Rock

Reserve the LS Spirit Rock! Sign-up to paint the rock for any special occasion. Your \$20 directly supports FAPA events.

[Reserve the Spirit Rock](#)



Eagle Club

The Fayetteville Academy Eagle Booster Club is composed of parents, faculty and staff, and friends of Fayetteville Academy with the focus of providing spirit and funding for athletics.

All of the money raised by the Eagle Booster Club goes to support ALL THE ATHLETIC PROGRAMS – team sports, the student sports medicine program and weight training.



Eagle Club encourages all parents to attend their meetings and find out what being a member is all about. Meeting dates are: **October 15, December 10, February 11 and April 15** (at 8:30 AM in the Cafeteria).

[Join Eagle Club!](#)

FA Arts & Entertainment Club

The FA Arts & Entertainment Club (AEC) is a dedicated parent-led organization committed to fostering and enhancing the arts at Fayetteville Academy.

Through fundraising efforts and promotional initiatives, the AEC provides vital support for a variety of artistic endeavors, including the highly anticipated Spring Musical and the vibrant Spring Arts Gala. Membership is just \$25, offering an opportunity to play a meaningful role in enriching the arts experience for students and the community. Join us in celebrating and sustaining the creative spirit at Fayetteville Academy!



[Join AEC!](#)

ATHLETICS NEWS



Sportsmanship

The Athletic Department would like our community to read the [sportsmanship policy](#) issued by the NCISAA. It is important that we are representing Fayetteville Academy well in our athletic competitions.

[NCISAA Sportsmanship Policy](#)

Sports Update

It was a week full of effort, teamwork, and determination for Fayetteville Academy!

- **MS Girls Volleyball** fought hard but fell to

Northwood Temple on Tuesday.

- **JV Girls Volleyball** gave it their all, falling to Trinity Christian on Monday and Northwood Temple on Tuesday.
- **Varsity Girls Volleyball** showed grit and perseverance, falling to Trinity Christian on Monday and Northwood Temple on Tuesday.

On the soccer field, our teams were unstoppable:

- **MS Boys Soccer** delivered an impressive 7-0 victory over Northwood Temple on Tuesday.
- **Varsity Boys Soccer** matched that performance with a 7-0 win against Northwood Temple on Tuesday.



Go Eagles!

[VIEW THE FULL ATHLETICS CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE](#)

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