MARY E. BRITTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

THE Bear Claw

Friday
October 24, 2025

FROM THE BEAR'S DEN

🚫Get Excited for Red Ribbon Week!

Mary E. Britton Middle School will celebrate Red Ribbon Week with a variety of themed days designed to promote healthy choices and build school spirit!

Theme Schedule:

- Monday, Oct. 27: Pajama Day
- Tuesday, Oct. 28: Sports Day
- Wednesday, Oct. 29: Twin Day
- Thursday, Oct. 30: Britton Spirit Day (wear your Britton gear!)
- Friday, Oct. 31: Halloween Costumes

🎃Halloween Costume Guidelines:

Please remember that costumes must follow the school dress code, be safe for regular activities, and avoid masks, fake weapons, or full-body inflatables. Costumes should be appropriate for a school environment.

Let's celebrate Red Ribbon Week together and show what it means to be a Britton Bear!

🇺🇸Veterans Day Assembly

Mary E. Britton Middle School is honored to celebrate and recognize our nation's heroes during our Veterans Day Assembly on Tuesday, November 11, 2025.

🕒Schedule of Events

- 1:45 PM: Light reception for veterans and guests in the cafeteria
- 2:15 PM: Students transition to the gym
- 2:30–3:00 PM: Veterans Day Program featuring:
  - Entrance of Veterans
  - Welcome & Pledge of Allegiance
  - National Anthem
  - Guest Speaker
  - In Memory of Those Who Gave All – Taps
  - Patriotic Musical Selection
  - Closing Remarks

🎖️Family Participation

We invite families to help honor their loved ones who have served. Please send in photos of your service members by November 4 to be included in a rolling slideshow during the program.

✉️Photos can be emailed to shane.mitchell@fayette.kyschools.us.

Let's come together as a community to celebrate the courage, sacrifice, and service of those who have defended our freedoms.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2025

- **RED RIBBON WEEK: Pajama Day**
- Dance practice at 7:15 AM
- Volleyball practice at 7:15 AM
- Academic team hosts LCA at 5:00 PM
- Get Fit Club at 4:15 PM
- Woodhill Center drama tryouts on the stage at 4:15 PM
- Cheer practice at 6:00 PM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025

- **RED RIBBON WEEK: Sports Day**
- Volleyball practice at 7:15 AM
- Cheer practice at 4:15 PM
- Get Fit Club at 4:15 PM
- FCCLA meeting in room E101 at 4:15 PM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2025

- **RED RIBBON WEEK: Twin Day**
- Dance practice at 7:00 AM
- Tutoring in the media center at 4:15 PM.
  - Tutoring sign up link
- Volleyball practice at 4:15 PM
- CRASH in 7th grade flex room at 4:15 PM
- BEARitones jazz band at 4:15 PM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2025

- **RED RIBBON WEEK: Britton Spirit Day**
- Dance practice at 7:00 AM
- FCA in the G107 at 8:00 AM
- Volleyball practice at 4:15 PM
- Cheer practice at 4:15 PM
- Get Fit Club at 4:15 PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025

- **RED RIBBON WEEK: Mystery Theme Day**
- BEARS young men's mentoring group in A132 at 8:00 AM
- Battle of the Books at 4:15 PM
- Volleyball practice at 4:15 PM
- Dance practice at 4:15 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025

- Volleyball practice at 9:00 AM
- Cheer practice at Lex Athletics at 9:00 AM
- Dance practice at 9:30 AM
- Boys' basketball open gym at noon

LOOKING AHEAD...

- November 3: Volleyball travels to Crawford
- November 5: Volleyball hosts Winburn
- November 10: Volleyball travels to Beaumont
- November 11: Volleyball travels to Southern
- November 11: Veteran's Day Celebration
- November 13: Volleyball hosts LEX
- November 17: Volleyball hosts Bryan Station
- November 18: All Things Britton student showcase
- November 19: Volleyball vs. Tates Creek
- November 24: Academic team hosts Christ the King
- November 24: Volleyball hosts Morton

THE BEAR NECESSITIES FOR SUCCESS

- Be Curious
- Be Kind
- Be Bold
- Be Responsible

VISION: BRITTON AND BEYOND

- Expose Students to Career Pathways in Health and Medical Sciences
- Ensure Equitable Access to Courses So Every Student Earns at Least One High School Credit.
- Provide Opportunities for Civic Engagement.
- Foster School Pride and a Sense of Belonging.

The mission of Mary E. Britton Middle School is to foster a safe and supportive environment where every student is valued and inspired to reach their fullest potential. Through academic rigor, civic engagement, and strong relationships, we cultivate leaders prepared to thrive today and build a better tomorrow.

🧥 Community Resources

Families can call United Way 211 (dial 211 from any phone) to receive the most up-to-date resources for various needs such as housing, food, holiday or any type of assistance.

Our local Community Action Council may be able to help families with utility bills. An appointment is required and must be made online. CLICK HERE to learn more about how to setup the appointment and documents that will be needed to bring to the appointment

🌟 Need a little extra help with your current classwork? 📚

📚 Students and parents—sign up today for after-school tutoring! Join us on Wednesdays starting **October 22** to get the help you need with your classwork and assignments!

Important Details & Expectations:
✅ Sign up by noon on the day of tutoring using the link below. Only students who sign up in advance can attend.
✅ Tutoring is in the Library Media Center, starting promptly at 4:05 PM.
✅ Bring your homework, Chromebooks, and all necessary materials—students who come unprepared cannot stay. We're here to help you with the work you're doing right now!
✅ All school rules apply. Misbehavior may result in loss of privileges.
✅ Students should stay until 5:05 PM, with rides ready no later than 5:15 PM. Frequent late pickups may lead to loss of tutoring privileges.

🎯 Sign up here: https://go.fcps.net/brittontutoring

INFO

TIMES

- Doors open daily at 8:35 AM
- First period begins at 9:05 AM
- Dismissal is at 3:55 PM
- Walkers and car riders should be picked up by 4:15 PM

LINKS

- Absence form
- eOS
- Campus Parent
- Canvas
- Student and Family Handbook
- Voluntary Student Accident Insurance
- Consent for Outside Traceable Communication
- Tutoring sign ups

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Facebook
- Instagram
- YouTube
- PhotoSnap (Upload pics for the yearbook)
  - Access code: BEARS26

CURRENT ENROLLMENT

- 6th grade: 250 (+1)
- 7th grade: 175 (-1)
- 8th grade: 136 (--)
- **Total: 561 (--)**



BEAR HUGS

- Shout out to our seventh grade Grizzlies for putting on an outstanding first dance at Mary E. Britton on October 17. Pictures will be included in next's week edition.
- Our MEB volleyball team joined Baptist Health to learn about and support breast cancer awareness. The girls were amazing—kind, curious, and eager to learn! They started the day with a 1–2 mile run and then listened to a powerful panel featuring Baptist Health team members and a breast cancer survivor.
- Congratulations to our cross country teams for their showing at the state meet on October 18
  - Girls team: 15th place
    - Maggie Henderson – 10th place
    - Larkin McConnel – 75th place
    - Sena Ouchi – 163rd place
    - Caroline Musilli – 166th place
  - Boys team: 25th place
    - Asa Parks- 76th place
    - Carter Howard- 106th place
    - Donovan Kwan- 122nd place

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

GOAL IS 95%

- Monday, October 20… 92.95%
- Tuesday, October 21… 92.86%
- Wednesday, October 22… 94.74%
- Thursday, October 23… 92.42%
- Friday, October 24… 92.34%

STAFF ATTENDANCE

GOAL IS 95%

- Monday, October 20… 96.67%
- Tuesday, October 21… 92.22%
- Wednesday, October 22… 95.56%
- Thursday, October 23… 92.22%
- Friday, October 24… 95.56%

WEEKLY DISCIPLINE

SIXTH GRADE

- Number of referrals… 7
- Number in detention… 7
- RESET hours… 6
- Suspension days… 6

SEVENTH GRADE

- Number of referrals… 11
- Number in detention… 7
- RESET hours… 11
- Suspension days… 0

EIGHTH GRADE

- Number of referrals… 6
- Number in detention… 12
- RESET hours… 6
- Suspension days… 2



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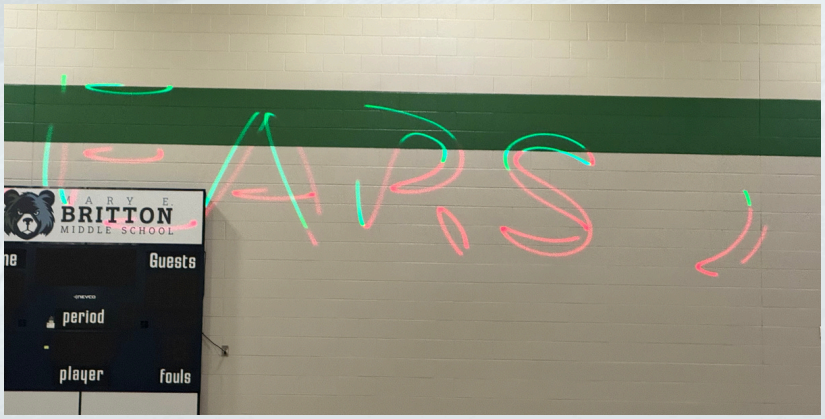




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BEARS
MARY E.
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Guests
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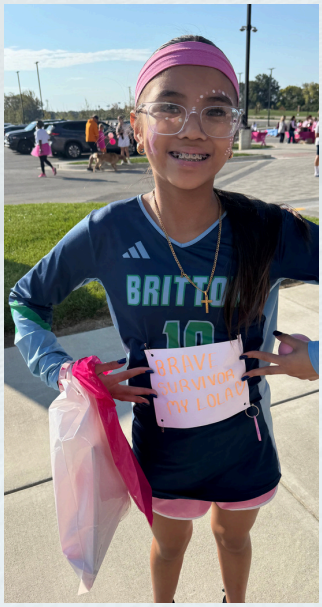
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The volleyball team supporting breast cancer awareness.





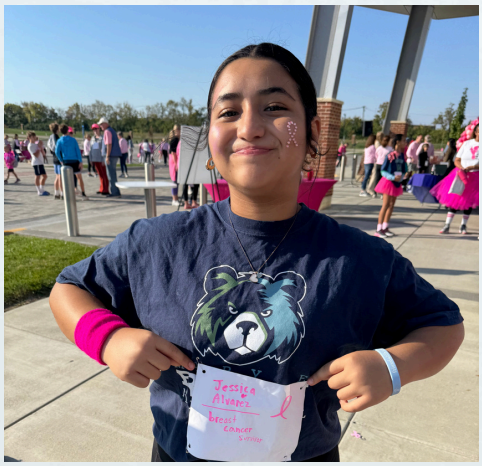














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Ms. Jones and Gilliam showed their support for their students at their baseball game last weekend!

the girls knocked it out of the park!











BEAR SNAPS













The State Cross Country Championship was held at the beautiful Kentucky Horse Park this weekend — always an amazing and humbling experience for our young student athletes!

The Middle School Championship Races bring together the top runners from across Kentucky — 408 boys and 365 girls — making for one of the most competitive and challenging meets of the season.

Despite some tough starting positions and course challenges, our Bears showed grit and pride from start to finish. 💪



Team Results:
🐻 Girls Team – 15th out of 36 teams
🐻 Boys Team – 25th out of 49 teams

Girls Championship 4K Highlights:
🥇 Maggie Henderson – 10th place (State Podium!)
🥉 Larkin McConnel – 75th
🥉 Sena Ouchi – 163rd
🥉 Caroline Musilli – 166th

Boys Championship 4K Highlights:
🥉 Asa Park – 76th
🥉 Carter Howard – 106th
🥉 Donovan Kwan – 122nd

Girls Middle School Open Race:
👏 Kaelee Riddle, Angelique Santos, and Aubree Tresaloni all medaled in the Top 50!

BEAR SNAPS













Members of our band at FDHS 8th Grade Band Night










Thursday Mornings at 8am

Mr. Tribbles Classroom G107

Contact Mr. Savastio or Mr. Tribble if you have questions

david.savastio@fayette.kyschools.us

kire.tribble@fayette.kyschools.us

EVERY TEEN DESERVES TO HAVE A CHRISTMAS!

DO YOU HAVE OR KNOW OF A TEEN AT RISK OF NOT HAVING GIFTS THIS CHRISTMAS?

The BE AN ELF Gift A Teen project wants to help!



SCAN THE QR TO REGISTER YOUR DESERVING TEEN FOR SELECTION. SPOTS ARE LIMITED!

PARTNERS FOR YOUTH

QUESTIONS ? CALL (859) 280-8006

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TRUNK OR TREAT

Food Trucks!

LIVE MUSIC!

Join Us for a Halloween Trunk or Treating !

Date : **October 27, 2025**

Time : **5:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

Venue : **1825 Little Herb Way**

TRUNK REGISTRATION wnaylor@prestongreenssl.com

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PINK OUT VOLLEYBALL GAME

OCTOBER 30TH

BRITTON BEARS VS **GEORGETOWN**





Volley For A Cure

@ Mary E. Britton Middle School

Wear pink for Breast Cancer Awareness

Opening Remarks at 5:15pm

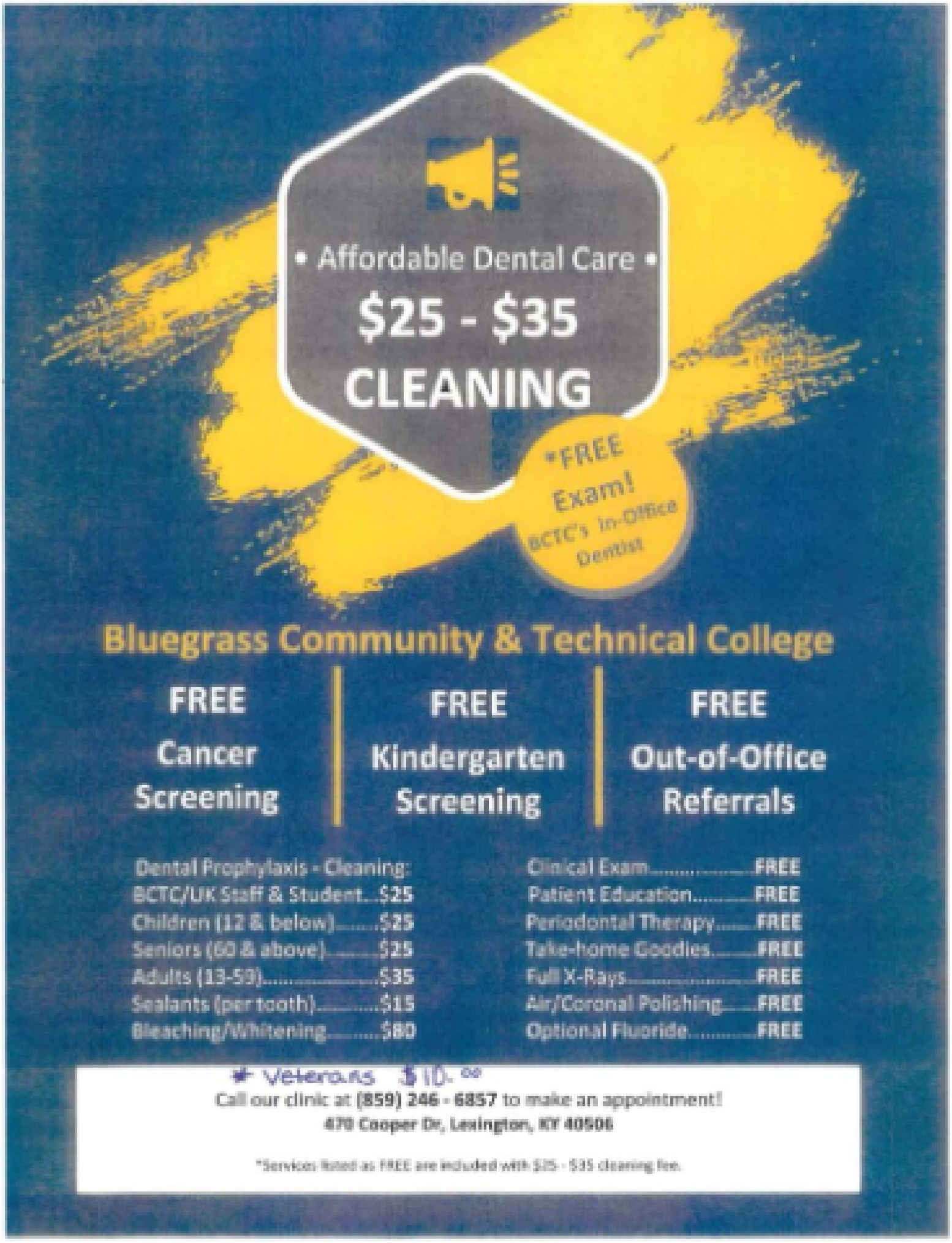
Britton Cheer and Dance team performances.

6th 7th & 8th Grade Volleyball

Serving games to win prizes!

5$ Admission
(cash only or GoFan)

All Admission Proceeds donated to Breast Cancer Awareness.



Bluegrass Community & Technical College

FREE
Cancer Screening

FREE
Kindergarten Screening

FREE
Out-of-Office Referrals

Dental Prophylaxis - Cleaning:	
BCTC/UK Staff & Student	$25
Children (12 & below)	$25
Seniors (60 & above)	$25
Adults (13-59)	$35
Sealants (per tooth)	$15
Bleaching/Whitening	$80

Clinical Exam	FREE
Patient Education	FREE
Periodontal Therapy	FREE
Take-home Goodies	FREE
Full X-Rays	FREE
Air/Coronal Polishing	FREE
Optional Fluoride	FREE

* Veterans $10.00

Call our clinic at **(859) 246 - 6857** to make an appointment!

470 Cooper Dr, Lexington, KY 40506

*Services listed as FREE are included with $25 - $35 cleaning fee.

ANGEL TREE

The Salvation Army - Central Kentucky is now accepting applications for its Christmas Angel Tree program.

Parents of children up to 12 years can apply. Either a birth certificate or insurance card with date of birth required.

Applications close October 31, 2025.

Must be a resident of Fayette, Jessamine, or Scott Counties. Proof of residency required.

Register at www.SAAngelTree.org or scan the QR code.

BEARS, YEARBOOKS ON SALE NOW!



What will you remember from this historic year? The yearbook has the complete story of the year – reserve your copy today!

COST: $35

TO PURCHASE:

Want to make your book EXTRA special? Cover Personalization/Namestamping starts at just $9.15, but hurry, it's only available until March 1!

To use a credit card, debit card or PayPal, go to **yearbookforever.com** and enter our school name or **scan the QR code**.

For cash or check, bring order form and payment made out to Mary E. Britton Middle School to Room A218.

Student name _____ Grade _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Number of yearbooks _____ x $ _____ = _____ Total cost