MARY E. BRITTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

THE Bear Claw

Friday
March 13, 2026

FROM THE BEAR'S DEN

🩺 Explore the World of Healthcare Careers!

Mary E. Britton Middle School is excited to partner with Baptist Health to host the Baptist Health Healthcare Camp this summer! This unique opportunity is designed for students interested in learning more about careers in the healthcare field.

📅 June 9–11
⏰ 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM each day

Students will have the chance to:
🔬 Explore a variety of healthcare professions
🩹 Participate in engaging activities and hands-on workshops
🎓 Tour a college campus and learn about future pathways in healthcare

👩‍⚕️ Who Can Apply: Current 6th–8th grade students
💲 Cost: FREE for participants
🎯 Spots Available: Limited to 20 FCPS students
📌 Application Deadline: March 31, 2026

If your student is curious about healthcare careers, this is an incredible opportunity to learn, explore, and connect with professionals in the field. Be sure to apply soon—spaces are limited!

📲 Use the QR code on the flyer on page 7 to apply.

🤝 Join the PTSA!

Check out the PTSA video on our YouTube channel!

📷 Buy a Yearbook!

March 30 is the last day to purchase a yearbook! Students can see Ms. Cain in the 7th grade complex, or complete the form at the end of the newsletter. Cash, check, and card are accepted!

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026
- Get Fit Club at 4:15 PM.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026
- Get Fit club at 4:15 PM.
- Super Cool Variety Club meeting at 4:15 PM.
- FCCLA meeting at 4:15 PM.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026
- Tutoring at 4:15 PM. Sign up here.
- Crash in the 7th grade flex room at 4:15 PM.
- BEARitones jazz band at 4:15 PM.
- Boys' basketball team pictures at 4:15 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2026
- FCA meeting at 8:00 AM
- Get Fit club at 4:15 PM
- Art club in room C128 at 4:15 PM
- HOSA club at 4:15 PM
- Band and orchestra concert at 6:00 PM

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2026
- BEARS meeting at 8:00 AM

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026
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LOOKING AHEAD...

- March 24: SBDM council meeting
- March 26: Career exploration fair
- March 27: Dance team banquet
- March 31: MAP Math testing
- April 2: MAP Reading testing
- April 6-10: Spring break

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.

📣 Dance and Cheer Tryout Information

Students interested in joining the Mary E. Britton Cheer or Dance Teams for the 2026–2027 school year have several upcoming opportunities to prepare for tryouts. These open gyms and clinics allow students to practice skills, meet coaches, and learn more about each program.

📣 Cheer

All sessions will take place in the MEB Gymnasium
Open Gyms (4:30–6:30 PM)

- March 30 – Stunting Open Gym
- April 1 – Sidelines & Stunt Open Gym

Tryout Clinics (4:30–6:30 PM)

- April 15
- April 16

Tryouts

- April 18 | 9:30 AM–12:00 PM

Contact: Cameryn Hutchinson

💃 Dance Team

Clinics

- May 18 – 4:15–6:30 PM
- May 20 – 7:15–8:35 AM
- May 21 – 4:15–6:30 PM

Tryouts

- May 22 – 4:15–6:30 PM (Parent meeting to follow)

Contact: Lauren Brett

⚠️ Students must have a current physical on file to participate.
We look forward to seeing our future Britton Bears bring the spirit and energy! 🐻📣💃

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: 244 (--)
- 7th grade: 181 (--)
- 8th grade: 135 (--)
- **Total: 560 (--)**



BEAR HUGS

Shout out to the members of our football team and coaching staff who recently visited our neighbors at Preston Green Senior Living Center for a special afternoon of connection and service. Living out one of our core vision commitments—providing opportunities for civic engagement—our players spent time visiting with residents, sharing conversations, and delivering thoughtful gifts.

BEARS OF THE WEEK

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

GOAL IS 95%

- Monday, March 9... 90.27%
- Tuesday, March 10... 89.46%
- Wednesday, March 11... 90.09%
- Thursday, March 12... 90.45%
- Friday, March 13... 91.25%

STAFF ATTENDANCE

GOAL IS 95%

- Monday, March 9... 97.78%
- Tuesday, March 10... 97.78%
- Wednesday, March 11... 91.11%
- Thursday, March 12... 94.44%
- Friday, March 13... 87.78%

WEEKLY DISCIPLINE

SIXTH GRADE

- Number of referrals... 4
- Number in detention... 16
- RESET days... 1
- Suspension days... 11

SEVENTH GRADE

- Number of referrals... 6
- Number in detention... 12
- RESET days... 3
- Suspension days... 20

EIGHTH GRADE

- Number of referrals... 5
- Number in detention... 6
- RESET days... 3
- Suspension days... 2



BEAR SNAPS

Our football team visited Preston Green Senior Living on March 5.











BEAR SNAPS











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8th grade Pop Up Reward was a kickball tournament!











BEAR SNAPS

FFA AND AGSCIENCE!











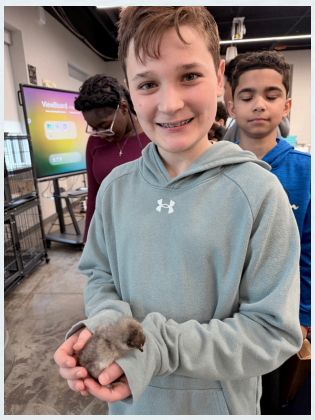
















BEAR SNAPS

















Baptist Health Healthcare Camp

June 9 – 11

7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Daily

Explore Healthcare Careers, Tour A College Campus, and More!

Baptist Health is thrilled to announce our Non-Residential Healthcare Camp! This exciting opportunity is designed for current 6th-8th grade students interested in exploring healthcare careers.
What to Expect:

- Exposure to diverse healthcare professions
- Engaging activities and workshops
- Inspiring college campus tours

Application Process: Due to limited space, an application is required to identify 20 FCPS participants. Don't miss your chance – apply now!

Who Can Apply: Any current 6th- 8th grade student.

Cost: This event is FREE for student participants!

Secure your spot in this immersive healthcare experience. Apply today!
Application Deadline: March 31, 2026



For more information, please contact:

Mary Rash

859-260-6203

Mary.rash@bhsi.com

Please use QR code to apply!


MARY E. BRITTON
ART CLUB
WE NEED YOUR
OLD NEWSPAPERS &
OLD MAGAZINES!
DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS!
Help us gather materials for art projects!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

BRITTON SOCK DRIVE

Student Council

Help people in need and donate adult socks!

For Lexington Rescue Misson

Step Up For The Homeless - Donate A Pair Today!!

The stand will be by the 6th grade complex, and bus entrance Donate a pair of new socks and get a raffle ticket, the winner will get a prize





CAREER EXLORATION EVENT



EXPLORE A VARIETY OF CAREERS!

From STEM and healthcare to the arts, trades, and entrepreneurship. Local businesses will share their expertise and showcase their workplace while inspiring the next generation.

5p-7p
26th of March 2026

Location
Mary E. Britton Middle School

Call us for more information
859.422.2344

MARY E. BRITTON STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Benefit :

- Hands On
- Interactive
- Company Booths
- See what jobs are really like.
- Explore Local Businesses

MEB CHEER OPEN GYMS

& Try Out Dates

YOU MUST BRING AN UPDATED PHYSICAL TO PARTICIPATE

MAR 30	**Stunting Open Gym** **4:30 - 6:30 PM** MEB Gymnasium
APR 1	**Sidelines & Stunt Open Gym** **4:30 - 6:30 PM** MEB Gymnasium
APR 15	**Try Out Clinics** **4:30 - 6:30 PM** MEB Gymnasium
APR 16	**Try Out Clinics** **4:30 - 6:30 PM** MEB Gymnasium
APR 18	**Try Outs** **9:30-12:00 AM** MEB Gymnasium

Contact: cameryn.hutchinson@fayette.kyschools.us with any questions!

MARY E. BRITTON

DANCE TEAM

Tryouts

LET'S DANCE



SHOW YOUR SKILLS

READY TO BRING THE ENERGY TO THE NEXT LEVEL? WE'RE LOOKING FOR ENTHUSIASTIC, TALENTED PEOPLE TO JOIN OUR 26-27 DANCE TEAM! COME TO CLINIC DAYS AND SHOW YOUR SKILLS! OPEN TO ALL UPCOMING 6TH GRADERS-8TH GRADERS. -MUST HAVE CURRENT PHYSICAL ON FILE.

Clinic: 05/18 4:15p-6:30p
05/20 7:15a-8:35a
05/21 4:15p-6:30p

Tryouts 05/22 4:15p-6:30p with parent meeting to follow

859.422.2344

LAUREN.BRETT@FAYETTE.KYSCHOOLS.US

Get your yearbook today!!!



Sales for the historic, first edition, MEBMS yearbook end on March 30th.

***Already bought one?
Consider donating or buying one for a friend.

COST: $35

TO PURCHASE:

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 or the front office.

Student name _____ Grade _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Number of yearbooks _____ x $ _____ = _____ Total cost