



The Firebird Screams

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

MAY 7, 2026

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May Dates to Remember:



May 1 - Teacher Workday
May 1 - Kindergarten Screener (New Families)
May 1 - Prom, 7:00pm - 10:00pm
May 4-8 - Book Fair Week
May 4-15 - AP Testing
May 4 - 6th Grade Information Night, 6:00pm-7:00pm
May 5 - New Family Tour, 4:15pm-5:00pm
May 5 - AP Testing - US Gov & Politics, 12:00pm
May 5 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm
May 6 - AP Testing - English Literature & Composition, 8:00am
May 7 - 1st Grade POL
May 7 - K-5 McClass EOY Closes
May 7 - High School Spring Art Expo, 9:30am-3:00pm
May 8 - AP Testing - US History, 8:00am
May 8 - 8th Grade Formal, 7:00pm-9:00pm
May 11-22 - EOG / EOC / NCFE Testing
May 11 - AP Testing - Calculus AB, 8:00am
May 13 - AP Testing - English Language & Composition, 8:00am
May 13 - Science EOG, 5th & 8th Grade
May 14 - AP Testing - Computer Science Principles, 12:00pm
May 14 - Reading EOG, 3rd - 8th Grade
May 14 - Early Release, 3rd -8th Grades Students @ 12:30pm
May 14 - No School K-2 Students
May 15 - Senior Trip
May 15 - Math EOG, 3rd - 8th Grade
May 15 - Early Release, 3rd -8th Grades Students @ 12:30pm
May 15 - No School K-2 Students
May 18 - HS 1st Period Exams
May 19 - HS 2nd Period Exams
May 19 - MS Athletic Awards, 6:00pm, HS Gym
May 19 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm - (if called)
May 20 - 6th-8th Grade Field Day
May 20 - HS 3rd Period Exams
May 20 - HS Athletic Awards, 6:00pm, HS Gym
May 21 - HS 4th Period Exams
May 21 - K-5 Field Day
May 22 - Last day of school
May 22 - Report cards go home (Grades K-8th)
May 22 - Early Release for students and staff
May 25 - Holiday - Memorial Day
May 26-29 - Teacher Workdays
May 29 - Graduation Practice & Luncheon, 9:00am-1:00pm
May 30 - Graduation, 10:00am - HS Gym

Message from Mr. Johnson

As the Executive Director of Falls Lake Academy Charter School, I want to take a moment to sincerely thank our families for a truly wonderful school year. Your support, encouragement, and partnership have made a meaningful difference in the success of our students and our school community.

This year, our students have worked incredibly hard, and it shows in their academic growth, their resilience, and their commitment to learning each day. We are proud of what they have accomplished and excited about the strong foundation they are building for the future. I cannot wait to see how they perform on upcoming assessments.

I would also like to extend my deepest gratitude to our staff. Their tremendous effort, dedication, and care for our students are what make Falls Lake Academy such a special place. Day in and day out, they go above and beyond to create a positive and engaging environment where students can thrive.

I hope everyone has a wonderful, restful summer. We look forward to welcoming our students back for the first day of school on August 12, 2026.

Thank you again for being such an important part of our school community. #FIREBIRDPROUD



Tuesday, May 5th @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, May 19th (if called) @ 6:30pm

END OF GRADE TESTING SCHEDULE

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

No School May 14th and 15th for students in grades K-2.

Grades 3rd - 5th

Wednesday, May 13, 2026 - Science EOG for Grade 5

Thursday, May 14, 2026 - Reading EOG for Grades 3, 4, and 5

Friday, May 15, 2026 - Math EOG for Grades 3, 4, and 5

Early Release at 12:30pm for 3-5 students on May 14th and 15th

Grades 6th - 8th

Wednesday, May 13, 2026 - Science EOG for Grade 8

Thursday, May 14, 2026 - Reading EOG for Grades 6, 7, and 8

Friday, May 15, 2026 - Math EOG for Grades 6, 7, and 8

Early Release at 12:30pm for 6-8 students on May 14th and 15th.

High School AP Testing

Tuesday, May 5, 2026 - Human Geography (NCVPS) 8:00am

Tuesday, May 5, 2026 - United States Government & Politics 12:00pm

Wednesday, May 6, 2026 - English Literature & Composition 8:00am

Friday, May 8, 2026 - United States History 8:00am

Monday, May 11, 2026 - Calculus AB

Wednesday, May 13, 2026 - English Language & Composition 8:00am

Thursday, May 14, 2026 - Computer Science Principles 12:00pm

Monday, May 18, 2026 - 1st Period HS Exams

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 - 2nd Period HS Exams

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 - 3rd Period HS Exams

Thursday, May 21, 2026 - 4th Period HS Exams



EOY Lunch Reminder

Please note there will be NO catered lunches delivered from May 8th through May 22nd. 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 11th through May 21st. 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 2026-2027 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 2026-2027 school year. Any questions or concerns please email the school nurse at traceyruffin@fallslakeacademy.com.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS!

No School May 14th and 15th for students in grades K-2

Early Release May 14th and 15th at 12:30pm for students in grades 3-8

May 22nd – 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 1st – 5th.

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 15th, and a copy will be mailed to you.

Kindergarten - 5th Grade -
Thursday, May 21st

6th Grade - 8th Grade -
Wednesday, May 20th



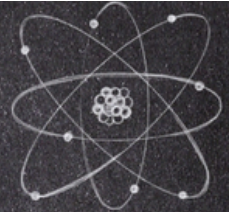
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K-5 FIELD DAY ***MAY 21, 2026***

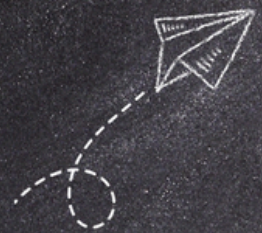
KINDERGARTEN: 8-11:15AM
GRADES 1ST-5TH: 8AM-2:30PM

Volunteer Sign Up Link:

<https://forms.gle/vjYh7D2awRo6cPTT8>



Welcome



6TH GRADE

FLA



May
4th

- INFORMATION SESSION
ABOUT 6TH GRADE AT FLA
- SCHEDULES/ELECTIVES
 - SPORTS
 - TEACHERS
 - EXPECTATIONS

Students and Parents/Guardians Please join us!



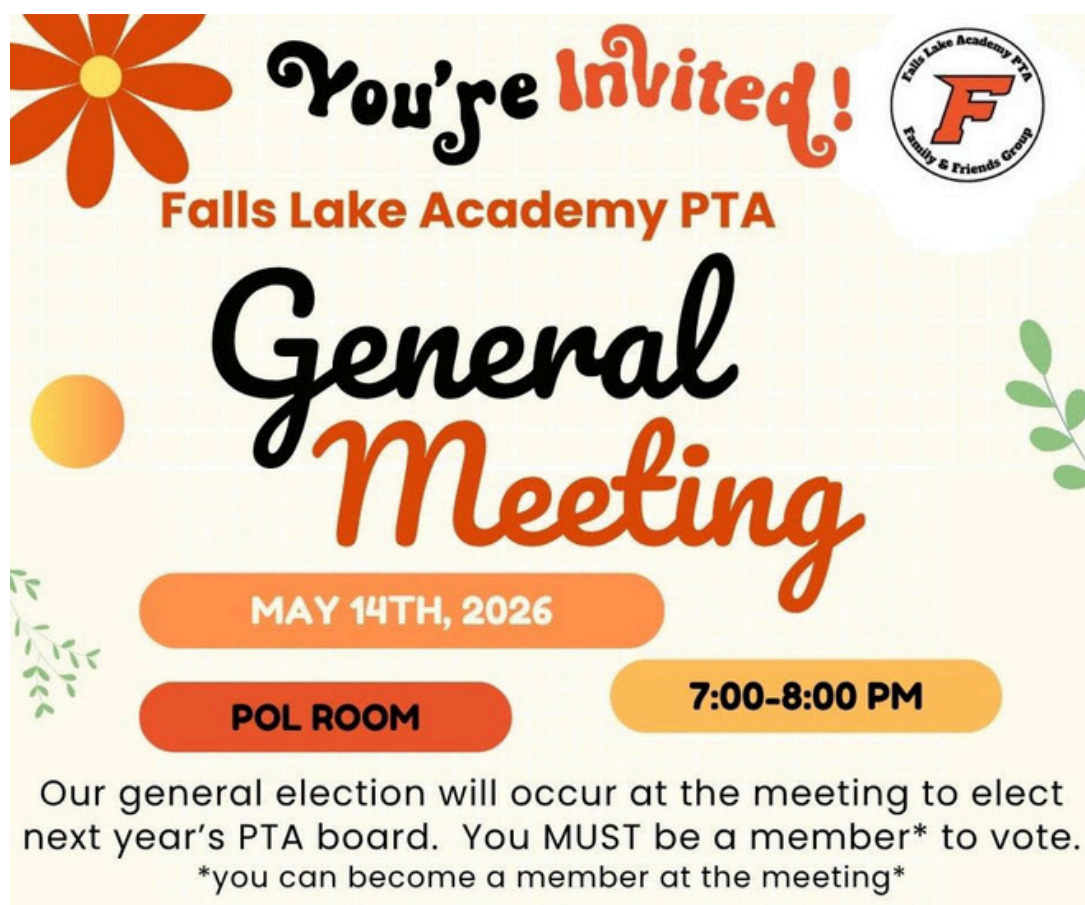
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Link will be sent in
Parent Square

Let's Learn
Together!





Level Up Your Learning Summer Camp

Looking for a fun and engaging way to keep your child learning this summer? Join us for Level Up Your Learning Camp at Falls Lake Academy!

This academic summer camp is designed for rising 1st–8th grade students (current K–7) and focuses on strengthening reading, math, and other foundational skills through hands-on activities, projects, and games. It's a great way to prevent the "summer slide" while building confidence for the next school year.

Camp Details:

- Weekly sessions throughout June (Monday–Friday)
- Full day Monday–Thursday (9:00–3:00), half day Friday (9:00–12:00)
- Falls Lake Academy
- \$175 per week
- No camp on June 19th
- Registration deadline: May 15th
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All materials are provided—students just need to bring a water bottle, snack, and lunch.

Questions? Contact:

mandibrandt@fallslakeacademy.com

wendycooke@fallslakeacademy.com

Register here: <https://forms.gle/YRhZQR1JyTMG5kCy9>

CHEER Camp!

LEARN. CHEER. GROW. SHINE! ♥

..... FOR
RISING 3RD - 6TH GRADES



★ DATES: ★
JUNE 8-12



★ TIME: ★
8AM-1PM



★ COST: ★
\$150



★ LOCATION: ★
**FALLS LAKE
ACADEMY**

What to Expect: ♥

- ★ CHEER BASICS & TECHNIQUE
- ★ DANCES & CHANTS
- ★ STUNTS & JUMPS
- ★ TEAMWORK & CONFIDENCE
- ★ FUN & NEW FRIENDS!

≡ PLEASE BRING: ≡



SNACK



LUNCH



WATER
BOTTLE

Questions? Contact us! ♥

✉ tiffanyhenrikson@fallslakeacademy.com

Cheer it. Live it. Love it! ♥



FLA Cheer Camp Registration

Please complete & return this form with payment to Mrs. Henrikson by May 20, 2026

Camper Information

Camper Name:		Grade for 2026-2027:	
Parent/Guardian Name:		Date of Birth:	
Phone:		Age:	
Email:			

Emergency Contact & Pickup Information

Emergency Contact Name:	
Emergency Contact Phone:	
Authorized Pickup Person(s):	
Person(s) NOT Authorized to Pick Up:	

Medical Information

Allergies:	
Medical Conditions:	
Medications:	
Special Notes/Concerns:	

Parent/Guardian Permission

I give permission for my child to participate in Cheer Camp at Falls Lake Academy. I understand that cheer activities may include motions, jumps, dance, basic stunts, and physical activity. I give permission for camp staff to seek emergency medical care if needed and agree to notify staff of any medical concerns.

Parent/Guardian
Signature:

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Payment

Cost: \$150

Payment Method: Cash ____ Check ____ (payable to Falls Lake Academy, Memo: Cheer Camp)



FALLS LAKE ACADEMY SUMMER CAMP '26

1-26
JUNE

From 7:00 am til 5:30 pm

Cost \$135 a week / \$109 for the week of June 15th
(\$514 for the entire camp if you pay weekly or
\$489 if you pay in full)

FAST will be offering a fun and exciting summer camp this summer for students in grades 1-5. Incoming Kindergarteners are welcome, if they have a current sibling attending FLA. Space is Limited!

Kids must bring a snack and lunch every day.

Come join us for a day full
of fun and excitement!

Email LisaWatkins@fallslakeacademy.com with questions or to request a registration form.

Return payment to Mrs. Watkins or the front office.
Checks made payable to Falls Lake Academy, if you wish to pay online please contact Mrs. Watkins.

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!

