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# NEWSCHESTER

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Dear Wildcat Families,

Welcome back, I hope you all have enjoyed Spring Break with your families. We are in the beginning stages of FSA testing for Grades 3-5. Please see below for specific dates for each grade level.

I also wanted to share a resource with you for any family that may be in need due to the recent tragedies. The best "catch all" for all the available resources in Broward is to call 211, where you will be provided the appropriate resources based on their individual needs.

Additionally, I am asking you to help us improve our Practices at Westchester Elementary School, the District is conducting a Parent Survey. We value your opinion and ask that you please take time to complete this survey. In order to complete the survey, go to:

<https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/103745/p568>

Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. Thank you for taking your time to complete the survey.

Your Proud Principal,

Missy Geraine



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# DATES TO REMEMBER

April – FSA testing, see below

April 9<sup>th</sup>- 8:15am

April 10<sup>th</sup>- Night of the Arts 5:30-7:30pm

April 16<sup>th</sup>- Report Cards Sent Home

April 17<sup>th</sup>- Papa John's Night

April 19<sup>th</sup>- No School

April 24<sup>th</sup>- Social Emotional Learning  
Parent Night 4-6pm

April 25<sup>th</sup>- Barnes & Noble Night 5-8pm


**BARNES & NOBLE**  
**BOOKFAIRS**

**WESTCHESTER ELEMENTARY**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019**  
**5:00PM - 8:00PM**

Barnes & Noble Coral Springs  
2790 University Dr.  
(The Walk)

A percentage of your Barnes & Noble purchases will benefit our school!



[BN.COM/BOOKFAIRS](http://BN.COM/BOOKFAIRS) | [#BNBOOKFAIRS](https://twitter.com/BNBOOKFAIRS)



## Night of the Arts

April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Westchester Elementary School 'Gallery' for one night only!

Come enjoy and explore our Westchester Elementary Student Music and Art Gallery!

Beautiful works created by our very own local student artists.

Purchase 'limited edition' and unique pieces with proceeds benefiting the Music and Art Departments. Food will be available for purchase also. Think of it as dinner and a show! Fabulous baskets will be auctioned off ie Scentsy Basket, Pampered Chef Basket, Music Basket, Art Basket and much more. More information will go out in a flyer soon



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# A Message from Officer Weber



Kids and mobile devices can be a scary mix. Whether your toddler is just starting to use your family tablet or your teen has a new smartphone of his/her own, check out the wide variety of apps and software – free and paid – that you can use to monitor and limit his/her mobile activity. If you would like to allow your kids to have some privacy and independence online, but worry about things like cyberbullying or too much screen time, these apps may help. Remember, new social media apps pop up all the time, so educate your kids about social media safety and “digital citizenship” from an early age.

Avira AppLock+	MamaBear
Avira Social Network Protection	Mobicip
Canary – Teen Safety	MobSafety Ranger Browser
Checky	My Mobile Watchdog
ContentWatch Net Nanny 7	Net Nanny
DinnerTime	Pumpic
Famigo	Qustodio
Ignore No More	Screen Time
K9 Web Protection	TeenSafe
Kiddoware	VideoMonster

NOTE: The Coral Springs Police Department does not endorse any specific company involved with the above apps and software. Parents are encouraged to conduct additional research to make informed decisions on what is best for them and their families.

Officer James Weber  
School Resource Officer

<https://www.familyeducation.com/fun/mobile-apps/10-apps-parents-monitor-kids-mobile-use>  
<https://www.attinternetservice.com/safety-apps-for-parents>

**OFFICER JAMES WEBER #675**  
**Youth Liaison Unit**  
**Coral Springs Police Department**



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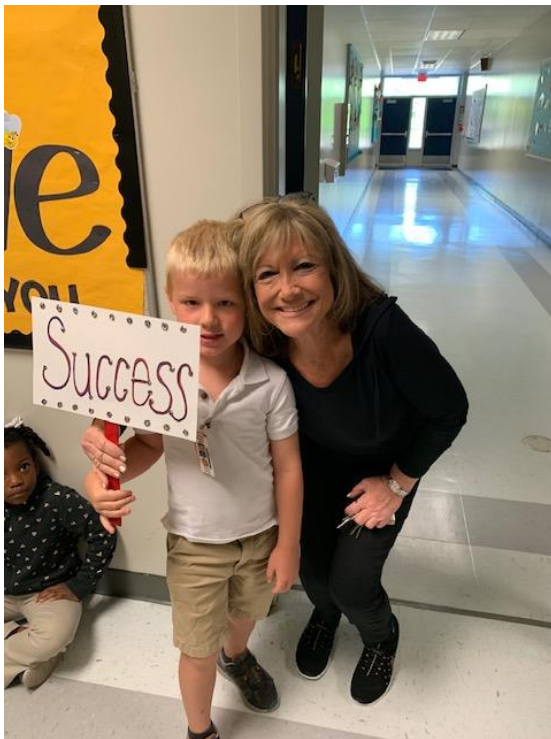
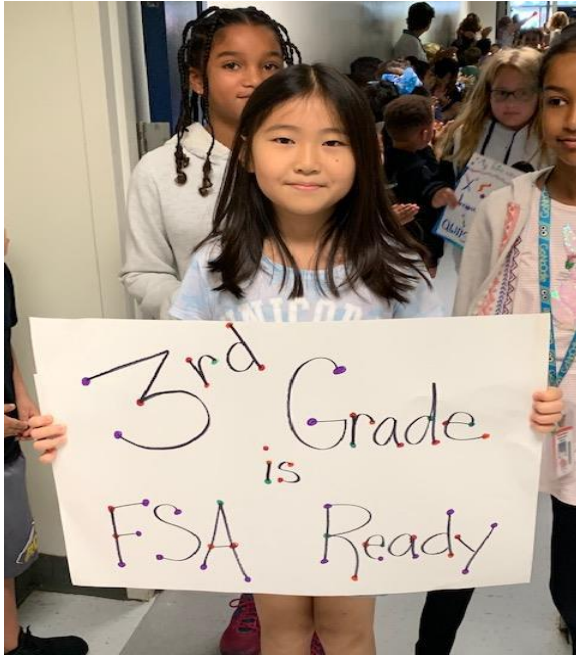
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# Power Parade

Before students in grades 3-5 begin FSA testing this week, they received a "Power Parade" from the K-2 students, faculty, and staff offering words of encouragement. All had a great time and the kids are ready to **Rock the FSA!!!**





## 2018-2019 FSA



### FSA will be paper-based testing.

*Please make sure your child has a restful night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and arrives at school on time*

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Tuesday, April 2 - ELA Session 1  
Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> - ELA Session 2  
Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> - Math Session 1  
Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> - Math Session 2

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Tuesday, April 2 - Writing  
Wednesday, May 1 - ELA Session 1  
Thursday, May 2 - ELA Session 2  
Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> - Math Session 1  
Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> - Math Session 2

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Tuesday, April 2 - Writing  
Wednesday, May 1 - ELA Session 1  
Thursday, May 2 - ELA Session 2  
Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> - Math Session 1  
Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> - Math Session 2  
Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> - Science Session 1  
Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup> - Science Session 2

**Come to Westchester Elementary's  
SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING EVENT**

**Learn how to help your child!**

**Resources shared**

**Date: April 24, 2019 Time: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

**WES PTA Page for April 2019 Newschester**



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## **MEMBERSHIP**

**Congratulations to Mrs. Stafford and her class for having the most PTA members!** Her class will be celebrating with a pizza and ice cream party and Mrs Stafford will be receiving a \$50 gift card! Thank you to all our PTA members for making a difference in our school and community!

## **BOOK FAIR**

Thank you for everyone's participation in making our Spring book fair a success! A huge thank you to the volunteers that donated their time. We appreciate everyone's contributions!

Congratulations to the winners of the Dr. Seuss door-decorating contest!

- Kindergarten: Ms. Antilla
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Ms. Krouch
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Ms. Hilbon
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Ms. Haage
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ms. Hager
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ms. Bell

Each student from the winning class received a credit for a \$5 book and each winning teacher received a \$15 credit to the book fair.

## **ELECTION**

We are looking for parents who are interested in assisting with helping our school to continue being successful. If you are interested in serving on the Executive Committee of the PTA or want to nominate someone, please go to [www.westchesterpta.com](http://www.westchesterpta.com) and fill out the form. You can drop it off in the front office for the PTA Mailbox or drop it in the Lockbox (not mailbox) in the Clinic. You can also email your nominations to the [westchesterelementarypta@yahoo.com](mailto:westchesterelementarypta@yahoo.com) no later than **April 5<sup>th</sup>**. Nominees should exhibit a willingness to serve.

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Test Proctors**

FSA testing is fast approaching, and each testing classroom will need a volunteer to assist! That means we will need many volunteers to make testing go smoothly. Please consider helping out for the following dates:

**April 2, 3**

**May 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8**

Please contact Beth Fazio ([eaanders@hotmail.com](mailto:eaanders@hotmail.com)) for more information or sign up online at [www.westchesterpta.com](http://www.westchesterpta.com) under Volunteers.

### **Night of the Arts**



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We are looking for high school volunteers to assist us with our "Night of the Arts" event on April 10<sup>th</sup> Please email Beth Fazio (eaanders@hotmail.com) for more information.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

- The next general PTA meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 am**, with the Room Parent meeting following right after.
- The next SAC/SAF meeting is on **Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:15 pm** in the Media Center.

## **BOX TOPS**

Please save those Box Tops!!! This is free money for our school for our students. Box Top forms will be sent home with child or you can send them to school in a Ziploc bag with your child's name and the name of their teacher on it. Thank you for your participation.

## **AMAZON SMILE**



You shop, Amazon gives! That's right, when you register Westchester Elementary PTA as your chosen charity @ smile.amazon.com, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to Westchester! Get some holiday shopping done and help our school at the same time! AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know, with the same products, same prices, and same service.

## **FOLLOW US ONLINE!**

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