






Good Evening SFES Families,

Our 4th Grade had an amazing trip to the Science Center this week! Thank you to the 4th grade team and our volunteers for a great trip!

Please help keep our playground clean and safe! Our building service team is noticing more litter and broken glass each morning on the blacktop/ playground. If you see any trash please help us ensure your trash is disposed of correctly and if you see broken glass, please let us know!

This week is Staff Appreciation Week and we want to thank our PTA for sponsoring this week! SFES PTA will be providing breakfast and lunch for the staff during this week and is also collecting gift cards to give out to the staff at the end of the week.

- Tuesday the 6th- Thank you to everyone that has signed up! **Please drop off all donations by Tuesday the 6th at 10:00 AM,**  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084DABAB2FA4F94-56536041-annual>
- As part of our Staff Appreciation Week at SFES, the PTA will be passing out \$15 gift cards to all staff.
  - Please see the [Sign Up Genius Link](#) for the types of gift cards.
  - **We only have 19 gift cards out of 90 covered so far.**
  - **If you sign up to purchase a card(s), please make sure to drop them off to the front office staff NO LATER THAN Wednesday, 5/7.**
  - If you have any questions, please email Eliana Saltares at [vp2@sfespta.org](mailto:vp2@sfespta.org)

 <p><b>Monday 5/5</b> <i>We “<b>CAMP</b>” imagine a better teacher than you!</i> Have your student write a <b>note of appreciation</b> to their teacher(s).</p>	 <p><b>Tuesday 5/6</b> <i>The world needs “<b>S'MORE</b>” teachers like you!</i> Donate a <b>sweet treat</b> to the dessert bar for staff.</p>
 <p><b>Wednesday 5/7</b> <i>You are “<b>NATURE</b>-ally” an incredible teacher!</i> Bring a <b>flower or plant</b> for your teacher(s).</p>	 <p><b>Thursday 5/8</b> <i>Thanks for keeping us on the “<b>TRAIL</b>” to success in our learning!</i> Bring <b>teaching supplies</b> to support your teacher(s)' classroom.</p>
 <p><b>Friday 5/9</b> <i>We “<b>In-TENT</b>-sly” want to say thank you for all you do!</i> Let's shower our staff with kindness. Perform a <b>random act of kindness</b> for your teacher.</p>	

### **Career Day on May 9th: Volunteers Needed!**

Calling all adults with interesting careers! We are excited to host Snowden Farm's 2nd Annual Career Day on the morning of Friday, May 23, and we would love your help.

- Please fill out the [short survey here](#) to indicate your interest by Friday, May 9.
- We will be in touch with more information once we have reviewed responses.
- Thank you for volunteering!

### **New: Lost and Found- Please check by May 8th**

Riddle: What has over 100 pieces of clothing and is NOT a department store? Our Lost and Found!! Really, we counted them all and we have an abundance of jackets, sweatshirts, sweaters, winter hats and gloves, lunch boxes and water bottles.

- We will be cleaning out the Lost and Found and donating items after Friday, May 9.
- Please have your students walk by (it's outside the lunchroom and across from the media center) to claim anything they might have there. Thank you!

### **New: Boundary Study and Programs Analysis Update\*\***

Reminder: On May 8, during the Montgomery County Board of Education meeting, a presentation will be given providing the latest information on the Boundary Study Project for the new Crown and Damascus High School projects, as well as the new Woodward High School project. This meeting will provide insights into the engagement plan, including the announcement of dates for the next round of community engagements scheduled for late May and early June. During those upcoming engagement sessions, participants will have the opportunity to review and discuss early boundary options developed by the project vendor.

Additionally, MCPS Project Team members will share progress on the Secondary Program Analysis that is currently underway. Last week, you should have received an email with a [survey](#). We encourage everyone to participate and share input on what matters most to you regarding high school academic programs.

Please keep an eye on your inbox for further updates and visit our project websites for both the [Boundary Study](#) and [Program Analysis](#) projects, where you can find the latest information.

### **Spring Book Fair is May 12th-16th**

Our Spring BOGO Book Fair will take place 5/12-5/16. Daily book fair hours are 8:00 AM-8:45 AM, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM (Late hours will be on 5/13 from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM).

We are in need of volunteers to work the book fair to help with processing sales and assisting students with their purchases.

- Please visit our [SignUp Genius link](#) to view the available slots.

- Students who need SSL hours are welcome to volunteer but there needs to be an adult volunteer signed up for the same time slot.

Please visit our [book fair homepage](#) for more information. There is also a link to sign up for E-wallet which is a great way to provide money to your child to purchase items from the book fair.

- For those that have signed up for e-wallets in the past, remaining funds do not automatically move over from fair to fair. You need to log into your account and manually move those funds over to this book fair.

### **Pastries with Parents**

PTA will be hosting breakfast for our students and their parents on Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM-8:30 AM in the all-purpose room. We will provide coffee, juice, donuts and fruit. It's also a great time to visit the book fair!

Please choose only one of the links below to RSVP no later than May 12<sup>th</sup>.

- [May 14, 2025 Link](#)
- [May 15, 2025 Link](#)

Volunteers are needed to help each morning (5/14 & 5/15) with this event.

- If you are able to volunteer please sign up at this [Sign up Genius link](#).
- We ask volunteers to show up at 7:45 AM to help with setup.


If we are not able to get enough volunteers, we will have to cancel the breakfast. If you have any questions, please email Eliana Saltares at [vp2@sfespta.org](mailto:vp2@sfespta.org)

### **Online Kindergarten Enrollment Now Open!**

Do you, a neighbor, or a friend have a child who will be 5 years old by September 1? MCPS kindergarten online enrollment is now open! Early enrollment helps us plan for the upcoming school year, so please register as soon as possible. Click the link below for step-by-step instructions. Simply create a ParentVUE account (or log in if you already have an MCPS student enrolled) and upload the required documents. Thank you for enrolling early. We appreciate your support!

- <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/info/enroll/kindergarten/>

### **6th Grade Summer Parent and Student Academy for Hallie Wells MS**

- Register Now,  2025 Summer Academy Sign Up Flyer .pdf
- This is for incoming 6th-grade parents, caregivers, and students!
- June 24th 9:00 AM-11:30 AM or July 29th 12:00 PM-2:30 PM

- Think of our academy as an orientation to all things middle school!
- The mission of the Summer Academy is to bridge the gap between elementary and middle school by providing resources, support, and information.

**Key Dates:**

- 05/05-05/09- Math MCAP for 3rd, 4th, and 5th and Staff Appreciation Week
- 05/07- In school Spring Concert for students
- 05/08- Spring Concert at CHS
- 05/13- PTA Meeting at 6:30
- 05/14- Pastries for Parents and Patrol Picnic
- 05/15- Pastries for Parents and Geography Bee

With Gratitude,

Mrs. Fortune