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## Important Upcoming Dates

**January 29** (Tuesday): **Final edition of this format of Alert News, be sure to register for the new system!**  
**February 4** (Monday): No School, Student Holiday.

## Last Chance! Move to the New Delivery System for Mantua School and PTA News

THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE of the Alert News. Beginning next week , you will only receive ,Matua PTA News, on the News You Choose system.

Go **NOW** to sign up for the Mantua PTA News by following these instructions:

- From the [FCPS.edu](http://FCPS.edu) main website, scroll down to the bottom on the page where it says, “Stay updated with what’s happening at FCPS with News You Choose – Sign Up Now”, click Sign Up Now
- Enter your Email address and click SUBMIT
- Agree to the Privacy Agreement and click SUBMIT
- On the Subscription Topics page you need to scroll all the way down to Mantua ES and select both News and announcements & Mantua ES PTA and click SUBMIT
- You will see a confirmation page that your subscription has been updated and you will also receive an email from FCPS News You Choose

## Spring Enrichment Registration is Here!

Spring Enrichment registration begins SUNDAY, February 3rd at 8AM and ends Tuesday, February 12th at midnight. There will be one day of late registration on Wednesday, February 13th 8AM-6PM for a \$40 fee. For our schedule of Spring classes and registration details click here: <https://em-mantua.jumbula.com/#/spring-2019> More questions? Email Heather Hill and Tara Kelly at [enrichment@mantuapta.org](mailto:enrichment@mantuapta.org).

## Lost and Found

All items left in the Lost and Found at the end of the 3rd quarter will be donated charity. If your student is missing a lunch box, water bottle, coat, sweater or any other article, please find time to check the lost and found before it is donated on 2/4/19. All items brought to school should be labeled with at least the student's last name, including coats, lunch boxes, instruments and water bottles.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Hinton in the front office.

## Box Top Collection Drive

Box Tops Contest Keep clipping those Box Tops, Mantua! Our next collection drive is underway. Please turn in all Box Top collection sheets and baggies labeled with your teacher's name by February 22nd to your teacher or the collection box in the lobby. The class that submits the most box tops gets their choice of a pizza, popsicle or ice cream party to celebrate!

<http://mantuapta.org/documents/dtf/2018-19/flyers/fundraisers/boxtops/springinfo.pdf>

## School Spirit Display Volunteers Needed

You know how much everyone enjoys Tom Turkey and Frosty

the Snowman in the lobby? We need your help to keep that tradition going! The position of School Spirit Display is open and waiting for you to step in and run with it! Best of all, the current display coordinator can help you get started! Please contact Jenn Ros at [volunteering@mantuapta.org](mailto:volunteering@mantuapta.org) if you can help! Grab a friend and have some fun for all to enjoy!

## American Math Competition 8 Results

Congratulations to the ten Mantua sixth graders who participated this year's American Math Competition 8. Group yearbook photo is scheduled on Thursday, 1/31/19 at 9am in the modular hallway outside of Mrs. Boyd's classroom. Each student will receive a certificate of participation or a winner's certificate and an original copy of the test. This year's winners are Eleanor Choe (Gold), John Radzieski (Silver), Jared Jessup (Silver), and Adhiti Mukund (Bronze). Parents with students who are interested in AMC 8 next year can email their inquiry to Joanne at [joannechoe@yahoo.com](mailto:joannechoe@yahoo.com).

## GMU Men and Women's Basketball Tickets

GMU VS. Duquesne When: Saturday, February 23rd 4pm  
Where: Eagle Bank Arena Price: \$13.00 a ticket (special Mantua price)

<http://mantuapta.org/documents/dtf/2018-19/flyers/geninfo/mason-mens-game.pdf>

GMU VS. LAS (LaSalle University) When: Sunday, February 17th 2pm  
Where: Eagle Bank Arena Price: \$3.00 a ticket (special Mantua price)

<http://mantuapta.org/documents/dtf/2018-19/flyers/geninfo/mason-womens-game.pdf>

Questions contact [kjbruining@frcps.edu](mailto:kjbruining@frcps.edu)

## Talent Show 2019

The Mantua PTA is proud to present the 2019 Mantua Talent Show! Do you play an instrument, sing, or dance? Do you like to perform magic? Do you want to demonstrate your martial arts prowess? Then, why not participate in this year's show? Just head to:

<https://www.memberplanet.com/s/mantuaelementaryschoolpta/2019talentshow>  
to complete an audition form and get all the info. Here are the

important dates and times you need to know: • Audition Forms Due: Friday, February 22nd • Video and Music Due: Friday, March 1st • Dress Rehearsal in the Gym: Friday, March 22nd, 5:00-9:00 p.m. • Talent Show in the Gym: Saturday, March 23rd, 5:00-9:00 p.m. If you have a child in the show, at least one parent needs to volunteer to help. There is a link on the confirmation email after you sign up your child.

To volunteer sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E45AEA82F4-mantua9>

## Bus Driver Employment Opportunities

Step on Board to an FCPS School Bus Driver Career! Fairfax County Public Schools invites qualified individuals to join our transportation team.

This is a great opportunity for stay-at-home parents to earn income with search Bus Driver benefits (and bring your preschooler to work with you!). Retirees, college students and career-switchers are also encouraged to apply.

<https://www.fcps.edu/careers/career-opportunities/bus-driver-employment-opportunities>

## Toothbrush Collection for Dental Hygiene Project

Hello! My name is Emma Bazemore and on February 7th I will be traveling to Guatemala on a mission trip in order to help the indigenous people who have little to nothing to live on with their overall health. As a part of the mission trip, I will be helping with my project, C.A.R.I.N.G, which stands for Cavity Awareness in Rural Indigenous Northern Guatemala. I will be collecting toothbrushes, coloring papers and supplies, and floss to bring with me which will be given out to the people there.

Collection bins will be set-up around the school please provide toothbrushes by **February 6**.

Thank you!

Emma Bazemore

## Attendance Form and Email!

Submitting a student absence, reporting any transportation and attendance changes has never been easier thanks to the online attendance form!

Submit an absence using the online attendance form <https://mantuaes.fcps.edu/attendance-form> or the email [MantuaElem.Attendance@fcps.edu](mailto:MantuaElem.Attendance@fcps.edu).

## Pre-order Your Yearbook!!!

We are partnering with Scherling for our yearbook this year. Yearbooks are just \$25!

Order yours today! [www.virginia.preorderphotos.com](http://www.virginia.preorderphotos.com)

\*\*click the link then enter the code: **T79YW4**. Add Yearbook to cart. Choose background A then add to cart again. Click next and follow the rest of the instructions!!\*\*

## Yearbook Photo Submissions Open to All

We are working with a new vendor this year. They have provided an area for us to allow anyone to upload images (families, volunteers, etc.). The link below has the links for drop boxes for each homeroom and for special events. Once you are in the drop box area, there is an “Add images” to the far right. You click on that and then go to the area where the images are. We will be adding more drop boxes as they happen, such as for spirit week next week. Please share the link I am posting here with your parents. Everyone will be able to upload, but not delete images.

We prefer images that have medium (not low) quality/resolution (the medium selection from a smartphone). We also prefer images that are not using bunny ears (fingers over someone’s head), have more than one student in the photos and that the people in the image are facing us, not where we have the back of their heads. Feel free to request an event drop box if one isn’t there and I’ll add it or email me if you have questions.

### Summary on photo preferences

1. Medium resolution/quality or higher
2. Includes more than one student
3. Students are NOT using bunny ears, sticking out their tongues or using crazy faces their parents might not like printed
4. We see the majority of people's faces and not the back of their heads
5. It isn't blurry Thanks everyone.

Link: [TinyURL.com/y77h2n2y](https://tinyurl.com/y77h2n2y)

### Why Support the Mantua PTA?

Click below to see where our money was spent last year and what we have in store for this year!

<https://tinyurl.com/ya3ahgxj>

Consider joining the Mantua PTA! **Cost is only \$15 per family** (tax deductible).

[Visit the registration website for more information.](#)

### Reminder About Early Dismissals

As shared in the first day folders, children will not be called out of class for early dismissal after 3:40pm and cannot be released to anyone other than a parent unless that person is on the emergency care card. The exception to the emergency care card requirement would be a release authorized by the parent through an email to [MantuaElem.Attendance@fcps.edu](mailto:MantuaElem.Attendance@fcps.edu) received prior to 1pm that day.

For "play dates" notes from parents of both the visitor and the host will be required for students planning to go home with a friend or neighbor after school. Students without corresponding notes will follow their typical dismissal plan.

There is a new direct email link on the Mantua ES Website for reporting dismissals and absences to <https://mantuaes.fcps.edu/attendance-form>

### New this year: Looking to buy a Chromebook?

New this year! Looking to buy a Chromebook? Dell will donate 5% of your purchase to Mantua Elementary, plus free shipping and price match guarantee! Just use this special link: [www.dell.com/MantuaPTA](http://www.dell.com/MantuaPTA)

<http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/df/2018-19/flyers/fundraisers/passive/dell.pdf>

## Shopping Online?

Anyone (parents, family and friends) who shops on Amazon can effortlessly earn money for Mantua ES by simply using a special Amazon link on Mantua PTA website. No sign-ups or codes required, no loyalty cards to manage - just click, shop, and watch the contributions to Mantua ES come in! Help us cast a wider net by sharing the links with friends and family. Go to <http://www.mantuapta.org> and click the Amazon link before beginning your shopping and Amazon will donate to our school. The link is located in the upper right corner of PTA website and also further down under "passive fundraising".

## Link Your Grocery Loyalty to Raise Money for the School

You can easily help our school by linking your grocery loyalty cards from Harris Teeter and Giant. Based on your purchases those merchants then send checks to the school. WOW! Please see flyer for details.

<http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/df/2018-19/flyers/fundraisers/passive/grocery.pdf>

## Translators

Translators comprise another vital part of our outreach efforts. We want every Mantua ES family to feel included and connected—should families need to have a document translated into their native language, our volunteers are here to help!

- للحصول على نسخة مترجمة للغة العربية، نرجو الإتصال بالأخت بدرية كفالة على هذا الإيميل: [cbn@mantuapta.org](mailto:cbn@mantuapta.org). If you need to have a document translated into Arabic, please email [cbn@mantuapta.org](mailto:cbn@mantuapta.org).
- Если вам необходимо перевести документ на



русский язык, пожалуйста обращайтесь к Анне Жердецкой или Виктору Жердецкому по электронной почте: [cbn@mantuapta.org](mailto:cbn@mantuapta.org) или [cbn@mantuapta.org](mailto:cbn@mantuapta.org). If you need to have a document translated into Russian, please contact Hanna Zhardzetskaya and Viktor Zhardzetski.

• 혹시 한국어로 번역된 자료가 필요하시면 좌승관씨에게 연락주세요([cbn@mantuapta.org](mailto:cbn@mantuapta.org).) If you need to have a document translated into Korean, please contact Lisa Libby.

• Para obtener una copia en Espanol favor de contactar a Lisa Libby at [cbn@mantuapta.org](mailto:cbn@mantuapta.org). If you need to have a document translated into Spanish, please contact Lisa Libby.

Email Lisa Libby at [cbn@mantuapta.org](mailto:cbn@mantuapta.org) if you have any questions or would like to volunteer as an ambassador or translator with Mantua ES's Community Building Network.

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