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Important Upcoming Dates

August 23 (TONIGHT!): Folder Stuffing, Mantua Cafeteria, 5-6pm.

August 25 (Saturday): Summertime Meet and Greet, Mantua Playground, 10-11:30 a.m.

August 27 (Monday): **Mantua Back to School/Open House**, 2:00-3:00 p.m., Gym.

August 28 (Tuesday): **First Day of School**. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. school begins at 9:20 a.m.

September 3 (Monday): Labor Day, **School Closed**.

****NEWS UNDER CONSTRUCTION!****

Parents, under the next several weeks we will be transitioning from the Alert News to FCPS's News You Choose for the electronic distribution of our weekly newsletter. Please be patient with us as we switch platform, and, while we are not anticipating and further interruption in communication, let us know if you are experiencing problems. Thank you!

Welcome Back to School

Dear Mantua ES Parents, it's almost time for school to begin. The Mantua ES PTA sends out a warm welcome to our new families and a welcome-back to our returning ones! Please take a few minutes to read about some upcoming calendar items and important notes.

Volunteers Needed tonight!

OPEN HOUSE FOLDER STUFFING

We will be stuffing the folders for next week's Open House in the Mantua ES cafeteria **TODAY, August 23rd** starting at 5pm. If you have 15 minutes, 30 minutes or an hour to help out, please come! Any help is welcome and it is easy work. Thanks!

Mantua Open House

Come find out your student's teacher, visit the classroom, join the PTA, and discover what is planned for the school year. Mark your calendars! We are so excited for you to join us for this exciting event on **August 27, 2018**. This year, following the model adopted by many FCPS schools, we are combining our Open House and Back to School events during a daytime event prior to the start of school. Under this new model, our students will explore their new classrooms and meet their teachers, and our parents will receive a curricular overview and explanation of student expectations for the school year. For more information visit the announcement:
https://mantuaes.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/inline-files/BTS%20%20Open%20House%20%202018_o.pdf

Going Green with Mantua PTA.org!

****Digital Tuesday Folder****

Everyone will see something new in the open house folder, less paper! Don't worry, we still have lots going on, it's just not going to clutter up your house. Along with our weekly News You Choose (fka Alert News) coming to your inbox, go to the new and improved MantuaPTA.org for all of your info!

Important dates, Events (click to add to your personal calendar!), Flyers, Program info, Volunteer info, Visit our Sponsors, Meeting info, and much more ...

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Mantua ES Meet and Greet

Do you have a rising Kindergartner? Do you know of a family who will be new to Mantua ES next year? Would you and your family like to meet some new Mantua families? If so, please join us on the playground **Saturday, August 25th from 10AM-11:30AM** to welcome new families! Don't forget sunscreen and cold drinks for you and your family. There will

be no restroom access at the school so plan accordingly. Please email welcome@mantuapta.org with any questions.

Mantua ES Drama Club Info Meeting

Thursday August, 30th 7pm Cafeteria

Academic Competitions Open House

Would you love for your child to work on a team to do something fun outside of school? To meet new kids? To have new challenges? If yes, then come join us on September 6th at 7pm in the Mantua E.S. Cafeteria to hear more about exciting programs outside of school, like Destination Imagination, Odyssey of the Mind, Lego League, Science Olympiad, Science Fair, National Geographic and Spelling bees, Math Counts, and more. These academic competitions offer opportunities for all students, K-6 to try new things or delve deeper into their favorite subjects, whether they are exploring outer space, writing a play or original song, or creating machines that actually work. Each of these competitions facilitates creative team-building that encourage resourcefulness, self-confidence, problem solving, and leadership in children of all ages. Come join us at the Academic Competitions information session! If you can't attend, please review competition information or the interest signup form at <http://mantuapta.org/programs.html>. Questions, please contact Vanessa Hall at mantuacompetitions@gmail.com.

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 cbn@mantuapta.org. If you need to have a document translated into Arabic, please email 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 или 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.) 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. If you need to have a document translated into Spanish, please contact Lisa Libby.

Email Lisa Libby at 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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