

We only use cookies that are necessary for this site to function, and to provide you with the best experience. Learn more in our [Cookie Statement](#). By continuing to use this site, you consent to the use of cookies.



We only use cookies that are necessary for this site to function, and to provide you with the best experience. Learn more in our [Cookie Statement](#). By continuing to use this site, you consent to the use of cookies.



     [Share](#)

Receive Updates



Mantua PTA News 2019, Issue 6

Fairfax County Public Schools sent this bulletin at 10/01/2019 07:40 PM EDT

Having trouble viewing this email? [View it as a Web page.](#)



MANTUA PTA NEWS

September 30, 2019 | Issue 6

Important Upcoming Dates

October 3 (Thursday): PTA Meeting, 7-8pm, Library.

Family Life Education Parent Preview Night

You are invited to attend an evening opportunity to preview the Family Life Education media and lessons to talk with school staff about the program. The meeting will be held on **October 10 at 6:00pm in the Mantua Library**. All program materials and media for all grade levels will be available for your review at this time.

Author Visit- 5th & 6th Grade

Attention 5th and 6th grade parents! Author Tom O'Donnell will be visiting Mantua's 5th and 6th graders on **October 18th**. A flyer with information about his visit, and an opportunity to purchase personalized copies of his books, have been sent in Tuesday folders. Orders are due by Friday, October 4th. Questions? Please contact Mantua librarians Michelle Hawk (mahawk@fcps.edu) or Katie Marmol (kgmarmol@fcps.edu).



<http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/df/2019-20/flyers/geninfo/odonnell-visit.pdf>

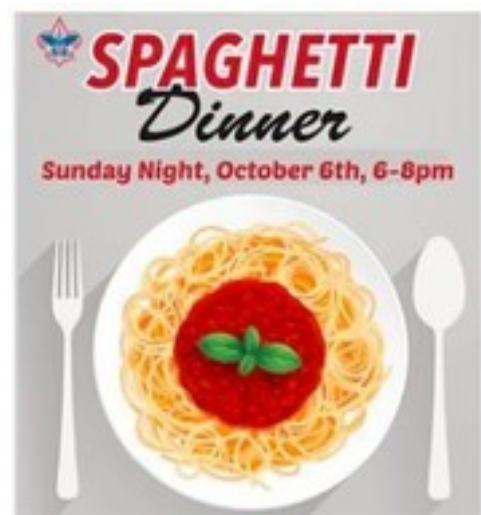


Enrichment Classes Begin Monday, September 30th

Enrichment classes begin on **Monday, September 30th**. Please look out for an email that will include the classroom assignment as well as a welcome email from the class instructor this week. Students must be signed out and picked up outside the

classroom after class unless they are reporting to SAAC.

<https://enrichmentmatters.ce.eleyo.com/courses/category/86/mantua-elementary>



Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Sunday, October 6th, 2019 the Scout Troop 1533 will be conducting a Join Scouting event and Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser.

When: Sunday October 6, 2019 6:00 - 8:00 PM - Come any time during that window, it is open seating.

Where: Mantua Clubhouse - 9330 Pentland Pl, Fairfax.

Who: Everyone's invited & and we'd love any of our past scouts to come and see what we've been up to.

Cost: Freewill donation (suggested \$10/adult and \$5/child).

Why - Reason 1: You deserve a night off of cooking and it's a great way to support Scouting in the Neighborhood.

Why - Reason 2: This is a chance for your kids to learn about the Scouting programs here in our Neighborhood!

Join Cub Scouts

Cub Scout Pack 1533 is welcoming boys and girls in grades K to 5 to join! We already had a few fun events this year including kayaking, mini-golf, and movie night/orientation, and are planning upcoming events such as a campout, rocket launch, and pinewood derby.

New scouts are welcome to come to the next pack meeting on **Oct. 10 (Mantua ES cafeteria at 7 pm)**.

1st grade scouts (girls and boys both) are also welcome to attend the first Tiger den meeting **Oct. 3 (Jewish Community Center lower level at 7 pm, 8900 Little River Tpk)**.

If you are interested to join the pack, [sign up on our website](#) and come to an upcoming event (our calendar is included on our website). Can we scout you in?

Mantua PTA Basketball League

Now - Friday, October 18, 2019

Program Duration: Monday, November 25, 2019 - Friday, March 20, 2020

Regular Registration Cost: \$ 70.00 - \$ 95.00

<http://www.mantuabasketball.org/site>

You can also register as a volunteer when you register your players, or let us know if you are interested in being a Head Coach, Assistant Coach, or Evaluation Helper.



Global Plus Classes

Is your child interested in learning a foreign language? Global Plus is a fun way for your child to gain foreign language skills. This year, Global Plus teachers have access to three different curricula that address the needs of different skill levels, from first-time learners to heritage speakers.



This year we are offering the following classes at Mantua:

Morning class: GP05220-0001 German, Grades 4-6 **Starts Thurs, Oct 17**

Afternoon classes:

GP03120-0001 Chinese, Grades 1-3 **Starts Wed, Oct 16**

GP03220-0001 Chinese, Grades 4-6 **Starts Fri, Oct 18**

Classes are 20 weeks long and cost \$395. Register at

<https://aceclasses.fcps.edu/SubjectListing.aspx?>

[CategoryID=10377&ProgramID=362&ProgCatgName=World+Languages+\(K-6\)&IsCourse=1&SubjectID=10936&AreaName=GLOBAL+Plus](https://aceclasses.fcps.edu/SubjectListing.aspx?CategoryID=10377&ProgramID=362&ProgCatgName=World+Languages+(K-6)&IsCourse=1&SubjectID=10936&AreaName=GLOBAL+Plus)

Registering more than one child? Register by calling 703-658-1201 to receive a 10% sibling discount (for one sibling only).

Questions? Email globalplus@mantuapta.org.

Join the PTA!

Please visit our webpage at MantuaPTA.org and click **JOIN PTA NOW!** Dues are \$20 per family and get you discounts on PTA sponsored clubs. Our dues fully support our free programs so that every penny of our fundraisers goes right back into the classrooms. Follow us on Facebook to get the inside scoop on all our events and programs - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MantuaPTA/> - Can't wait to get started!



What does the PTA do?

What does the PTA do? Where does my money go? Click the link below to find out!

<http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/dtf/2019-20/flyers/geninfo/about-mpta.pdf>



PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting will be on Thursday, October 3, 7:00-8:00pm in the Library.

Restaurant Night - Chipotle

Eat Chipotle, help Mantua Elementary School PTA foil your dinner plans and stop by the Chipotle at 9506 Main Street in Fairfax for our fundraiser on **Wednesday, October 09 from 4:00pm - 8:00pm**. We're raising money to support Mantua Elementary School PTA, so just download a flyer from the link below or mention the fundraiser at checkout and they'll donate 33% of the

proceeds to the cause!

<https://socialportal.chipotle.com/fundraiser/social/public/portal/2qqOSkhLoGyglOEcc9ddN3fITrvBDswwWRspysD6KE1VmeAhRsYrA7gNYLfyOw7ID5NnfzqTkbAZWPgfB2KHTUMReehQT7a3o4S9jrU4LUODutQJLebxOcvQG079uyyOg/3201910091620>



2019 PTA Reflections Art Contest



Theme *is Looking Within!*

The 2019 Mantua PTA Reflections Art Contest is underway! Please submit your entries by **Tuesday, Oct 15**. Submit your art along with the fully-completed entry form (See <https://www.vapta.org/documents/arts-in-education/19-20-reflections/2224-19-20-student-packet-template-f>) to the Mantua Elementary school office. The Theme Search contest is also underway - enter a phrase to spark creativity for the 2021 PTA Reflections contest. Theme search entries are due **Tuesday, Oct 15** in the Reflections mailbox in the school office (See <https://www.vapta.org/documents/general/2254-19-20-theme-search-packet-template-updated>). Thank you for participating - we look forward to seeing your work!

FAQ - <http://mantuapta.org/documents/df/2019-20/flyers/programs/reflections.pdf>

Questions? Please contact ReflectionsMantua@gmail.com.

UNICEF Fundraiser for Bahamas

Dear Region 5 Communities,

Each of the 32 schools in Region 5 of Fairfax County Public Schools are uniting together to support the humanitarian crisis that has occurred in the Bahamas due to Hurricane Dorian. We have all witnessed the devastation from this deadly storm and we want to be able to help. There is an estimated 18,000 children in crisis and many children have lost everything they own. So we are calling each of our communities to action!

Over the next two weeks, we will be fundraising by using a GoFundMe page. The link is below which also includes a link to a video for more information. All proceeds will go to the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF). Our funds will go to water, shelter, food, clothes, backpacks, books, and other school materials.

Please join Region 5 in making a difference. Any amount can be helpful! The fundraiser will run from now to **Friday, October 4th**.

Please click this link to go to our GoFundMe page:

<https://www.gofundme.com/sam3qu-hurricane-dorian-relief>

Thank you for supporting this cause!

Extracurricular Academic Competitions

Does your child solve problems...just for fun? Does your child read about science in his spare time? Does your child love sports AND math...AT THE SAME TIME? Would your child like to work with other students to learn something fun outside of school? To meet new kids? To have fun new challenges? There are many opportunities outside of school, such as Science Olympiad, Science Fair, Spelling Bee, Geographic Bee, MathCounts, AMC 8, Lego League, Destination Imagination, Odyssey of the Mind, etc. Students could learn new things, delve deeper into certain subjects, and practice hand-on skills through studying fossils, exploring outer space, running experiments, practicing problem solving, or building machines that actually work!

Extracurricular academic competitions facilitate creative team-building that encourage resourcefulness, self-confidence, problem solving, and leadership in children of all ages. The possibilities are endless!! To view the list of events Mantua students have participated in in the past, go to

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1enRE-HO74gLXEJaAycxDZNRpIVshHm5e/view>

To indicate interest in participating this year and to connect with other parents, sign-up at

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScZcYtjseh3DTL5RTr_pdl9eOsF0ZhMNfm3ZWt763LCMEy0Vw/viewform .

For additional questions, email MantuaCompetitions@gmail.com to contact Alice Wang and Esther Ko.

Career Switcher Information Session

The Office of Talent Acquisition & Management (TAM) will host a Career Switcher Information Session at the Willow Oaks Administrative Center on **Monday, October 14, 2019**. This event will give military veterans, community members and anyone interested an opportunity to learn how to become a licensed Virginia teacher.

The information session will begin with presentations from the five approved Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) career switcher programs, Educate Virginia, Old Dominion University, Regent University, Shenandoah University and Virginia Commonwealth University. Troops to Teachers will also present their program offerings to our military veteran attendees. A panel of FCPS educators will share valuable information with attendees, followed by an opportunity to network with the six presenters, the FCPS licensure team and

the substitute office.

We would like you to share this event information with your school community, parents, FCPS employees and anyone in your network seeking information on becoming a licensed Virginia teacher.

Event Information Monday, October 14, 2019 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Willow Oaks Administrative Center Building 8270 / Room 1000A

Parent Information Relating to Special Education

All these opportunities are **FREE** unless noted. In most cases **you must register** if registration information is provided.

When other events become available they will be posted at:

<https://fairfaxcountysepta.org/upcoming-community-events/>



Lice: Treatment and Prevention

Parents and Guardians have an important role in the treatment and prevention of lice. Below are two helpful links from FCPS.

<https://www.fcps.edu/resources/student-safety-and-wellness/school-health-services/lice-treatment-and-prevention>

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health/sites/health/files/assets/documents/pdf/head-lice.pdf>



Mantua Kiss and Ride Information

<http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/kiss&ride.pdf>

Absences, Tardies, Early Dismissals and Transportation Change Procedures

At some point of the year, almost every student will either be absent, tardy, leave early for an appointment or need a change of transportation. Please email the office at: MantuaElem.Attendance@fcps.edu and copy the classroom teacher or call the attendance line at (703) 645-6363 for anything related to attendance or dismissal. Email is always the preferred method of communication for clarity purposes.

Absences or late arrivals: Please contact the office by the above method by 9:30am. Robo calls go out at 10 am. If a student is arriving late an adult must walk them into the office and sign them in even if you have notified the office of the late arrival.

Changes in Transportation must be submitted by 1:00 PM to either the email address above or attendance line. The first month of school there will be no bus passes to go home on the bus with a friend. Students receive a pass any time there is a change of transportation. Do not send in changes more than a week in advance except for ongoing changes, see examples.

Early Dismissals should be called in early in the day. An adult on the emergency care form can pick up a student. If you call when you are approximately 5 minutes away from the school then we will try to have the student ready for you otherwise we will call for the student when you arrive. There are NO DISMISSALS between 3:40 PM and 4:05 PM.

Examples:

Please excuse Johnny Smith in Mrs. Jones's class to Kiss and Ride today, June 20, 2009.

Please excuse Fred Flinstone to Kiss and Ride every Monday until further notice.

Please excuse Jane Doe who will arrive at 10:00 am to school due to a Dr. appt.

Let the office staff know if you have any questions.

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. 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.

How to Submit an Announcement to the PTA News



Please [complete this form](#) to have a Mantua ES- or Mantua PTA-related announcement placed in the weekly Mantua PTA News, on our [Facebook page](#) and/or on MantuaPTA.org.

The form guides you through all the pieces of information we need to put out complete announcements.

How To Unsubscribe



Update your subscriptions, modify your password or email address, or stop subscriptions at any time on your [Subscriber Preferences Page](#). You will need to use your email address to log in. If you have questions or problems with the subscription service, please visit subscriberhelp.govdelivery.com.

Click on the unsubscribe link at the bottom of this message.

[9107 Horner Court, Fairfax, VA 22031](#) | Main Office: [703-645-6300](tel:703-645-6300)

Attendance: [703-645-6363](tel:703-645-6363) | [Web](#) | [PTA Web](#) | [Twitter](#)

[Submit an Announcement](#)

Update your subscriptions, modify your password or email address, or stop subscriptions at any time on your [Subscriber Preferences Page](#). You will need to use your email address to log in. If you have questions or problems with the subscription service, please visit subscriberhelp.govdelivery.com.

You are subscribed to receive messages from **Mantua ES PTA** | [Unsubscribe](#)

Powered by

