



# ALERT NEWS

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## Important Upcoming Dates

**May 10** (Wednesday): 6th Grade Panoramic Picture, 9:30a.m.; Final Restaurant Night of the year at Banyan Tree Grill, 5-8 p.m.

**May 13** (Saturday): Raccoon Run.

May 18 (Thursday): 5th and 6th Grade String Concert, 7:00 p.m. Mantua Gym.

## Deadlines

**May 12** (Friday) : AAP Level III Screening form due in Mantua ES Office by 4:30 p.m.

## AAP Level III Screening

Fairfax County Public Schools provides a continuum of academic services for all students. While access to these services are provided to all students at various levels, students must be considered eligible through a school committee to formally access gifted services on a regular basis.

If you wish to refer your child for consideration for Part-time School-Based Services, also known as Level III Services, the deadline for submitting the application form to the Mantua ES office is **4:30pm on Friday, May 12th**. Rising 3rd -6th grade student students who are found eligible for school-based services will receive an enrichment lesson weekly. This lesson will be during the school day, in lieu of other content/homework/assignments which the students will still be responsible for.

Parent notification regarding eligibility for Local Level III Services for the 2017-18 school year will be included in the

2017 end of year report card envelope, sent home with students on the last day of school. More information, and a link to the referral form, is located at <https://tinyurl.com/z3dkyc4>. If you wish to have a paper copy of the referral, please contact the school office. Please submit any questions about the program or application process to Eva Bousbouras ([Vaitsa.Bousbouras@fcps.edu](mailto:Vaitsa.Bousbouras@fcps.edu)), Advanced Academics Resource Teacher Mantua.

## 6th Grade Panoramic Picture

The 6th grade panoramic picture will be taken on **Wednesday, May 10th at 9:30 am**, outside.

## Final Restaurant Night!

We hope to see you at the Banyan Tree Grill in the Turnpike Shopping Center (between Peet's and Chipotle) on **Wednesday, May 10, from 5-8 pm** for the last restaurant night fundraiser of the school year. Have a delicious dinner and support the PTA! Just mention you're there for the Mantua PTA fundraiser or show the flyer on your phone! Dine-in, takeout, and online (pick-up but not delivery) orders all apply! <http://banyantreegrill.com/orderonline/>

## Final Box Top Contest

The last Box Top Contest for the school year **will end on May 24th**. The class turning in the most Box Tops will be given a special classroom treat and the honor of proudly displaying the Box Top trophy in their classroom for the remainder of the school year. This is a fun and easy way to support the PTA. Thanks for clipping!

## Eco-Tip of the Week

- Kudos to the Mantua Eco Teams for their successful outreach and fundraising at the Spring Fling. For several months leading up to the event, the Eco Teams worked hard and planned: games to offer for students; fundraising activities to hold; and posters to design to communicate the goals, progress, and next steps for each team. (Together, the Eco Teams raised over \$400 for the many projects to benefit Mantua and the community.) This was an excellent experience in collaboration, creativity, attention to logistical detail, and enthusiasm. The Eco Teams' sponsor, Ms. Sullivan, is incredibly proud of everything that these students have accomplished this year!

- May 10th is Bike and Walk to School Day! Active transportation to school is an excellent way for your student to start their day. This is a great activity for families who live within the walking boundaries of the school and where the conditions make it safe to do so. If you live too far, consider a location to park and walk or roll in. Remind kids to wear helmets and bright colored clothing.
- May 25th, 7 pm 4301 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA, Going Big on Solar! The Sierra Club and business leaders have partnered to create this program that explains how commercial customers, local governments, and non-profits can save money and meet sustainability goals with onsite or offsite solar arrays. Speakers will discuss current options for purchasing solar, including onsite (rooftop, parking lots) and offsite (solar farms). Interested members of the public, including public and private school administrators, teachers and PTA parents are encouraged to attend.

## 17th Annual Raccoon Run

17th annual RACCOON RUN-- RAIN or SHINE-- This Saturday, May 13. 8am FUN RUN & 8:30am 5K on our certified course, timed by CRM electronic timing!! ONLINE registration, open til Midnight Wed. May 10 at [www.raccoonrun.org](http://www.raccoonrun.org) Packet pickup and registration Friday, May 12 from 5-7pm in front of school. ROCKY will see everyone bright and early Saturday morning. All proceeds benefit Life with Cancer. Questions contact Jennifer Lewis-Cooper, [jalcooper@aol.com](mailto:jalcooper@aol.com) 703-426-2490

## 5th -9th Grade Girls Lacrosse Camp

WOODSON GIRLS LACROSSE CAMP: JULY 17-21 The Woodson girls lacrosse program is hosting a **camp for rising 5th through 9th grade girls the week of July 17 through 21 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am.** This is a great opportunity for girls to try lacrosse for the first time or improve their game. The camp will be led by the Woodson Varsity coaching staff and players. Online registration can be found at <http://www.wtwcamps.com>.

## Woodson Cheer and Dance Camp

Looking for a fun camp for your child(ren) during the week of August 14-18? Sign them up for this wonderful camp for rising grades K-8, run by the Woodson Cheerleaders and Precisionettes. Choose the half-day option for cheer or dance, or the full day option for both! More information available on the [registration form](#).

## Lost and Found Reminder

There is a large collection of coats, sweaters, hats, gloves, lunch bags, water bottles and other personal belongings in the lost and found. Unfortunately many of these items will never be claimed because they have no name on them. Please be sure to label all personal items with at least your last name before they come to school. If you want to check the lost and found it is now in the cafeteria.

## 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 either Amazon or 4ourschool.

## 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!

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