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Important Upcoming Dates

January 16 (Thursday): Rising 7th Grade Orientation, Frost MS 5:30-8pm.

January 20 (Monday): Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday, SCHOOL CLOSED.

There is NO 5th & 6th Grade Strings Concert on January 16th.

Frost Middle School Rising 7th Grade Parent Orientation Night

Reminder that the Frost Middle School Rising 7th Grade Parent Orientation Night will take place on Thursday, January 16th. The main program from 6:00-7:00 PM will include the registration process for 7th grade and an overview of Frost. From 7:00-8:00 PM, elective class teachers will have displays and be available to answer questions. There will also be presentations for parents who have students who receive services through the Special Education, English Language Learner, and Advanced Academics Programs from 7:00-7:30 PM.

Due to limited space, these sessions are for parents only. Students will have the opportunity to receive this information during Frost counselor visits at the end of January and when students visit Frost in February to tour the building and elective classes. Parents and students are invited to attend the Frost Family Festival on Thursday, February 20 as well before making final class selections.

We hope you are able to join us at Frost on the 16th. In the case of inclement weather, the orientation night will take place at the same time on January 23rd. For those who cannot attend, the presentation will be available, along with additional information on upcoming transition events on the Frost website.

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

Talent Show

Coming soon to a gymnasium near you... The 2020 Mantua Elementary School talent show!! Start preparing your act today!

Save the dates...

- Talent show, Saturday night, March 21st.
- Rehearsal, Friday night, March 20th.

Acts must be 2 minutes or less in length and appropriate for all ages. Instructions to submit audition form, audition video and music (if applicable) will be shared in February.

W.T. Woodson's Choral Department's 31st annual Broadway Revue, Dessert on Broadway, is just 2 weeks away!

Show dates this year are Thursday-Saturday, January 23-25, with a preview show on Wednesday, January 22 for teachers and staff.

Tickets for the general public go on sale FRIDAY, January 10th at 7:00pm by visiting www.ticketleap.com (please search **DESSERT ON BROADWAY**). All purchases will require a credit card, along with the purchaser's billing information. Shows usually sell out well in advance – so don't delay!

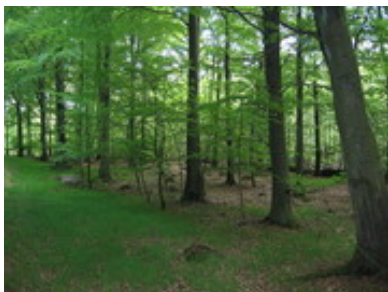
All proceeds will go to support the production and W.T. Woodson's choral programs. Please contact tickets@woodsonchorus.org with any questions.



Kids Give Back Kids Volunteer Day

January 27, 9:30am-3:30pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. FCPS schools are closed, so Kids Give Back is offering another day of volunteerism, games, team-building and more. Projects may include: Making outdoor care packages for the homeless; preparing snack packs for under-served children; making

Valentine presents for senior citizens and more! Registration includes pizza for lunch. \$80/child; sibling discounts available. www.kidsgiveback.org



Save your plastic caps and lids to help the Earth!

Save your plastic caps and lids to help our Earth, and win an ice cream party! Girl Scout Troop 2779 needs your help to collect plastic bottle caps and lids from many consumer items. (Did you know that most caps and lids end up in the landfill, even when placed in the recycling bin, because they are too small to be processed by the facility's sorting equipment?) The troop's goal is to collect 300 pounds of caps and lids. Once they have met it, Green Tree Plastics of Indiana will exchange the caps and lids for a park bench made of 100% recycled materials for the troop to donate. This project is through Green Tree Plastic's ABC program, which aims to teach children about caring for the earth and green living. The two classes who collect the most caps will win an ice cream party, courtesy of Toby's Homemade Ice Cream & Coffee! Look for the collection box in your child's classroom coming soon. Acceptable items include: Caps from: milk jugs, detergent, hair spray, toothpaste, deodorant, apple sauce pouches, drink bottles such as soda, water, juice and sport drinks, shampoo and other hair products, ointment, baby food. Lids from: cottage cheese, mayonnaise, yogurt, peanut butter, coffee cans, cream cheese, butter. All caps and lids must be clean and dry.

Questions email GirlScoutTroop2779@gmail.com. Every cap counts! Thank you.

Mantua Elementary Yearbook 2019-2020

1st Book Price \$25.00

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 January, 2020**

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 of January
 to take advantage
 of this coupon!

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, 2099.

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.

Raise Funds for Mantua ES by Linking Your Rewards Card

It's time to re-link your Harris Teeter VIC cards to Mantua!

This is a really easy fundraiser- once you link your card to our school you'll be helping to raise money every time you shop. And even better? We'll do the work for you! Go

to <https://www.memberplanet.com/s/mantuaelementaryschoolpta/vic> to fill in your VIC card information and we'll do the rest!

Encourage friends & family to do the same!

FCAG Summer Camp Fair

The Fairfax County Association for the Gifted (FCAG) is again hosting our Annual Summer Camp and Enrichment Fair on **Saturday, January 25, 3 - 5:30 pm, at McLean High School** (with a snow date of February 22). The event is free and open to the public.

- * Nearly 40 **vendors** to answer your questions
 - * Get your copy of the **FCAG Summer Camp Catalog** with hundreds of camps listed
 - * For elementary, middle and high school students
 - * From local adventure day camps to overnight camps at prestigious campuses
 - * Camps for **STEM**, visual and performing arts, computer technology, science, math enrichment, nature, sports, and leadership
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- * ***Register to win a \$50 gift card from Amazon.com***
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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.

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/>

Plan Ahead — Strengthening Families — 14 week course

Mon. Jan 27 - May 18, 5:30-8:00 pm, ARHA Bldg. 401 Wythe St. Alexandria

Parents and youth (ages 6-11) can strengthen family bonds through discussion, games, roleplaying, and family projects. Free dinners & Childcare (for ages 2-5).

Register: Yolonda Thompson at 703.820.9001 X 109 ythompson@scanva.org

Plan Ahead — **Developmental Disability Advocacy Day** — *Bus to Richmond*

Tue. Jan. 28, 7 am-3 pm, The Arc of Nova, 2755 Hartland Ave. #200, Falls Church

This is an annual bus trip to Richmond where we will advocate in coordinated groups meeting with legislators who represent the region. Return bus trip included.

Register: RSVP to lucy.beadnell@thearcofnova.org

Fairfax Prevention Coalition Meeting

Wed. Jan. 8, 1-3 pm, Thom. Jeff. Lib. 7415 Arlington. Blvd, Falls Church

Learn about strategies to prevent drug misuse and addiction, including vaping, opioids, and underage drinking, along with connections to treatment.

Info: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/community-services-board/events/2020-01-08-coalition>

Neuropsychological Evaluation

Wed. Jan. 8, 7-9 pm, Auburn Sch. 3800 Concorde Pkwy. #500, Chantilly

Learn about the information that a neuropsychological evaluation provides, and how it can be used to implement appropriate interventions at home and school.

Register: <https://www.theauburnschool.org/page/153> or 703-793-9353

Support Groups for Parents

Alpha Moms This support group for adoptive parents meets monthly in McLean. Contact: robin4brady@gmail.com

Autism Dads meets one evening monthly in Falls Church. Contact: George Buzby at 571-419-1257 or gbuzby@aol.com

CHADD: Children & Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder

- **Alexandria CHADD Parent Support Group** 4th Mon. of each month at 6:30 pm. Contact: Jenny ADHDParentMountVernon@gmail.com or call 703-472-4678.
- **Burke CHADD Support Group for Parents, Caregivers and Family Members** Last Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. Contact Kim Griffin: kimberlygriffin@yahoo.com
- **Loudoun County CHADD Parent Support** 2nd Wed. of the month in Sterling. Contact: Bonnie Little 571-306-2932 or blittle@windingroadcoaching.com
- **West Fairfax CHADD Evening Parent Support Group** 3rd Thur. of each month at 7:30 pm Contact: Sharon clintob@aol.com or 703-716-4646.
- **West Fairfax CHADD Morning Parent Support Group** 1st Tues. of each month at 10:30 am Contact: Sharon clintob@aol.com or 703-716-4646.
- **CSB Family Support Group at Gatlan Center** 2nd and 4th Wed. of each month 6-8 pm in Alexandria Contact: Samar.Chwairy@fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-799-2882.

D.A.D.S. Dads Appreciating Down Syndrome 3rd Tue. each month, 7-9 pm in Alexandria. Contact: George gbuzby@aol.com or call 703- 545-6089.

Fairfax Juvenile Court Parent Support Group for problems including runaway behavior, truancy, alcohol/drug abuse, and serious behavioral problems at home, at school, or in the community. 7:30 pm every Tues. Room 201.1 Fairfax County Courthouse – call 703-246-2495.

Kinship Caregivers Support Group 2nd & 4th Thur. monthly, 6:30-8:00 pm, South County Gov. Ctr. Rm. 220, 8350 Richmond Hgwy, Alexandria. Free dinner and resources. Register 1 week ahead: KFI@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-246-4653

Kinship Café – meets monthly on the 2nd Wed. in Fairfax. Free dinner. Activities for children and discussion for adults. Register 1 week ahead by calling 703-246-4653 or online at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov>.

gov/hocode/EReg/Registration.aspx?groupID=27

NAMI: National Alliance on Mental Illness builds better lives for affected families. Arlington Parent Support Group meets two Sundays a month at 7:00-8:30 pm. Contact: Naomi 703-862-9588 verdugo.naomi@gmail.com
OCD Family Support Group 1st Mon. of each month, 7:30 pm. Contact: familygroupocd@verizon.net or call 202-215-5859.

Northern Virginia Tourette Support Group meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at noon at the Chantilly Public Library. Contact: mark.bramer@gmail.com

OCD Family Support Group 1st Monday of each month 7:30 pm . Contact: familygroupocd@varizon.net or call 202-215-5859

Parents of Autistic Children (POAC) meeting times and location posted at: <https://poac-nova.org/events/>

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