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Important Dates

January 27 (Wednesday) - Parent Education Workshop: *How to Support Yourself and Your Student While Learning at Home*, 7pm.

January 27 (Wednesday) - Girl Scout Formation meeting (Daisy's) online, 6:30pm.

February 4 (Thursday) - Virtual PTA Meeting, 7pm.

Frost Orientation Night Resources and Additional Programs

Thank you for those who were able to join us for the Rising 7th Grade Parent and Student Orientation last week. For those who were unable to join, there is a copy of the presentation and a recording of the event on our website. A link is available on our main website or you can access it directly here: <https://frostms.fcps.edu/student-services/course-selection/rising-7th-grade-course-selection>. Please use this site to review additional course materials (course catalog and videos) to assist your child in completing the course selection google form before March 1st. Students will receive the link to the google form after Mr. Joo, Frost counselor, presents to the students at each elementary school in the upcoming weeks. We also have two additional programs available if you are interested:

Rising 7th Grade Parent and Student Math Night

Tuesday, February 2nd from 6:30-7:30

Do you still have questions about the math sequence of courses or specific courses available at grade 7? Are you still undecided about the course that is best for your child? Ms. Hornbecker and math teachers will be available for a brief overview and to answer individual questions. You can access the event using this link: <https://us.bbcollab.com/guest/29a43c540b1b4a91a8f0644b94fa9ead>

Rising 7th Grade Special Education Services Parent Information Night –
Wednesday February 3rd at 6:30 at this [link](#).

Please join us to hear general information related to special education services at the middle school. We will also meet and hear from teacher leaders from the adapted curriculum, as well as our specialized programs of the Comprehensive Services Site (CSS) and the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) program.

Luther Jackson MS Rising 7th Grade Curriculum Night

Rising Luther Jackson 7th Grade Students and Parents: Please join us for live town hall sessions (link will be shared closer to the event) 5-5:45 PM AAP Level IV Center Information Session 6– 7 PM General Information Session Review our asynchronous presentations (will be available on Luther Jackson's website after 4pm on 1/28/21).

Jan. 28 -- Rising 7th grade Curriculum Night 6pm.

This will be an asynchronous event. We will present AAP, honors, general information, as well as general information on school logistics, special education information, and electives will be showcased.

Feb. 26 -- Rising 7th grade google course selection forms completed.

We are streamlining the process this year and will have students sign up for classes using a Google form. NO SIS! NO STUDENTVUE!! We appreciate your assistance in facilitating this online process and will provide a template for you to use with students.

Read more about this event in [English](#) or [Spanish](#).

Luther Jackson Bingo Night and Middle School Orchestra Information

Are you interested in playing in orchestra next year (violin, viola, cello, bass)? Even if you have never played, there are beginner orchestras at both Frost MS and Luther Jackson MS. In fact, there are all levels of orchestra, from the very beginner to the "started private lessons at age 4", and everything in between.

Students attending Luther Jackson MS are invited to attend a Bingo Night on **February 5th at 7:00 pm**. You will play bingo and potentially win prizes, while learning more about the orchestra program at LJMS. The link to register for bingo night is below, as well as a link to a video about the LJMS orchestra. Orchestra Information Video: <http://www.tinyurl.com/LJMSOrch2021> Bingo Night Sign-up Link: <http://www.tinyurl.com/LJOrchBingo2021>

If you have any questions about middle school orchestra, or if you would like info about a school other than Frost or Luther Jackson, please email the Mantua orchestra teacher, Mrs. Kate Easton at kjeaston@fcps.edu.



Mantua's Counseling Team Presents our First Virtual Parent Workshop!

Join the Mantua Counseling team, Anna Bukont, Emily Tilman, Richard Hang and Susan Song as the present "How to Support Yourself and Your Student in Virtual Learning" this **Wednesday January 27 at 7pm!** They will have suggestions, resources and a Q&A session. Want to submit questions ahead of the presentation? Email them to Kristina Clarke at president@mantuapta.org

Join online session on Wednesday at 7pm via this link: <https://us.bbcollab.com/guest/3cdac5d6570b4a46958dec86c7a15386>

Girl Scout Formation Meeting for Daisys



Please join us to explore and form a NEW Kindergarten Daisy Troop via Google hangout. **Wednesday, January 27th at 6:30pm!** This will be a quick 30 minute high level introduction to Girl Scouts and lay out next steps to bring girls together. Please send me an email if I can answer any questions or you are interested in a different age group! johnemwills@gmail.com. - Alii Wills

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If you are not receiving emails saying holds are ready then have your child check their FCPS Gmail account and/or check your SPAM folder.

Questions, email Katie Marmol (kgmarmol@fcps.edu) or Michelle Hawk (mahawk@fcps.edu).

School Issued Laptop Help

If you are experiencing difficulties with your child's school issued laptop, please remember to refer to the self-help page and ticketing service.

Self-help page: <https://www.fcps.edu/return-school/technology-support-families>

Parent/Student Ticket Page: <https://itweb.fcps.edu/itsupport/>

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