



JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

APRIL/MAY 2022

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 4/5: 4th and 5th Grade Writing FSA, Report Cards sent home
- 4/7: 3rd Grade ELA FSA Session 1
- 4/8: 3rd Grade ELA FSA Session 2
- 4/9: ACPS Teacher Recruitment Fair @ Gainesville High School 8 :30-12 :00
- 4/22: PTA Spring Carnival 4-7pm
- 4/27: KG Roundup 2-4pm
- 4/28: Interim Reports sent home
- 5/2: 4th and 5th Grade ELA FSA Session 1
- 5/3: 4th and 5th Grade ELA FSA Session 2
- 5/5: Grades 3-5 Math FSA Session 1
- 5/6: Grades 3-5 Math FSA Session 2
- 5/16: 5th Grade Science Session 1
- 5/17: 5th Grade Science Session 2
- 5/26: Kindergarten Completion Celebration, 5th Grade Promotion Celebration
- 5/27: Last Day of School

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello Wildcat Families:

With the last 9 weeks well underway we are pushing students even harder to reach academic targets and holding them to behavior expectations. We have lots to learn and accomplish in the weeks we have left in this school year. It will take all of us working together. Thank you for your continued support of our teachers and staff.

We are committed to making the most of each and every instructional minute we have left with our students. To that point, we are experiencing an increase in tardies and absences. Our school day begins at **7:45am**. On average we have 50 students who arrive to school after 8:00 am. Missing the first 15 minutes each day is over an hour of instruction lost per week. We are also experiencing a high number of students absent from school each day. We are on a mission to achieve academic success. We need all of our students here at school, on time, and ready to learn. Please be mindful of our FSA testing schedule and let us know if we can assist you.

As always we appreciate your continued support. We know that our partnership with parents is one of the greatest influences on student success.

Building Together,

Anyana Stokes

Principal

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SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS:



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POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION SUPPORT (PBIS) NEWS

from our BRT's, Dr. Carthon and Mrs. Sherri Brown-Peoples

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TITLE I NEWS

Join us in person at 5:30 on May 4th for Family Game Night! Come play fun games with us and learn ways to make them even more educational! Prizes will be given out to everyone who attends.

We are accepting input into our Home-School Compact and Parent and Family Engagement Plans as we begin to draft new ones for the upcoming school year. Any input can be emailed directly to Lisa Rose at roselm@gm.sbac.edu. The forms can be found on the Title I page of our school's website!

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PTA

Wildcat Families - Please Join Us!

Williams Spring Carnival

Friday, April 22, 4pm - 7pm

Bring the whole family to Williams for the Spring Carnival. Bounce house, dunk tank, games, raffle baskets, food and more! Play games for a chance to win prizes.

Get your tickets early!

- Pre-sale tickets available until April 15: 5 tickets/\$1 or 25 tickets/\$5. (Look for order forms in Friday folders).
- Day of carnival ticket prices: 4/\$1 or 20/\$5
- Games and activities are approx 1-5 tickets each.

We need volunteers on the day of Carnival!

Please sign up at:

https://bit.ly/williams_carnival22

Please Join Us!

Upcoming PTA meetings (virtual):

Wed, April 6 at 7pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82418121048?pwd=SVZhTmJZckg2TjdXalp vNHNaZTICUT09>

Have you joined the PTA?

Join online here:

<https://bit.ly/JoinWilliamsPTA>

Memberships are \$5. All are welcome.

Questions about PTA?

Email us at

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