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Superintendent

Reducing Bus Stops for Efficiency

Safety remains a top priority in the Fayette County Public School system; however, there are transportation concerns that need to be addressed. Our buses are making excessive stops in front of homes that are less than fifty feet of one another. In order to reduce the number of stops buses are making, we would like the public to become acclimated to the fact that some of our children may have to walk to a bus stopping point, whether it be the neighbor's house two or three houses down the road, to the end of a cove, or to the end of a road. We will not ask any child to walk to a stop on a busy road or one that seems dangerous. Decreasing the number of stops will also

address the trending issue of late bus arrivals. Students who arrive late are delayed in eating breakfast, which affects the start of the school day.

Fayette County Public Schools will coordinate this effort with Public Works over a period of time to ensure the process is seamless and carried out in the safest possible way for students and families. Reducing the number of stops along routes will not only contribute to the longevity of our buses but will also decrease the amount of time children spend on the bus. This transition will allow us to become more efficient with our time while placing cost savings back into our classrooms, where we can continue to provide a high level of education for our students and families.



FCPS SEARCHES FOR HISTORY ITEMS

Early this fall, Fayette County Public Schools opened the doors of its new Central Administration Building (CAB) to the public for a celebration. At that time, only Phase I of the renovation of Central Elementary was completed. Since that time, the maintenance and design teams have been hard at work to complete Phase II. The staff wants to devote one of the large halls in this new phase to chronicle the history of the school system in pictures.



We are particularly interested in finding annuals from 1960 and earlier. If you have an old annual that is no longer wanted or that we can borrow, please bring them to the Reception Desk at the Central Administration Building on Highway 76 or call CAB (901-465-5260). Of special interest are pictures from North Campus or South Campus and team pictures or class pictures from the 1940s and 50s. Also, Somerville Elementary School served our community for many years, and its walls hold some wonderful memories for many. At present, the staff has been unable to find pictures of the early years at Jefferson as well.

Fayette County has a wonderful history of educating generations of families in our school system, and "Heritage Hall" will serve as a repository of those memories to be shared with old friends, families and with new friends and new families who are making memories too.

If you have questions, call Sally Spencer at 901-937-9334.



School Spelling Bees

Audience: Elementary and Middle Schools

Elementary and middle schools will need to conduct their school level spelling bee for students in grades 5-8 by Friday, December 14. Each school will name one school wide winner who will go on to participate in the online test in January. Once a school wide winner is named, s/he will need to be registered online by logging into spellingbee.com and completing the School Champion Registration form. All materials for the school bee (grade-level study lists and School Spelling Bee study list) can be found on spellingbee.com.



Certified and Non-Certified Work Days

Audience: All Employees

All employees, with the exception of security, will be required to work the following administrative days: November 6th, 19th, and 20th.

All employees, including security, will work January 3rd and 4th. TAs, school secretaries, bookkeepers, data clerks, and school nurses are not scheduled to work administrative extended time or parent teacher conferences.



Full STEAM Ahead!

Fayette County Public School leaders and board members traveled to East Tennessee to tour the Chattanooga STEM School. This group brought back ideas for doing amazing things in Fayette County! Stay tuned for more updates, as we plan to open our Fayette County Middle College High School - STEAM Academy (grades 6-12) in the fall of 2019.



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WILDCATS
 STUDENT ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT
SAMANTHA KUSBER

Class: Sophomore

Sports: Volleyball & Softball

Church: Saint Philip

Achievements: 4.0 GPA, National Honor Society, & Wildcat Award in Volleyball

Volunteerism: Volunteered at Buckley-Carpenter



We Teach Democracy - Exercise Your Right

Those who do not exercise their right to vote have no voice, so educating our students about democracy is important. These seniors participated in early voting today for the first time and let their voice be heard!



Jr High Boys' Basketball Teams Lead by Example

The boys' teams at East and West Junior High Schools know that confidence is the first step in winning at the game of life. They are leading by example, showing that a winning look and attitude can inspire self-assurance.



STAR Class Digging for Bones

What's more fun than dissecting an owl pellet in your costume? Fifth grade STAR students tackled this task with zeal, as they dug into the learning to discover and record the contents of the pellets with their team.



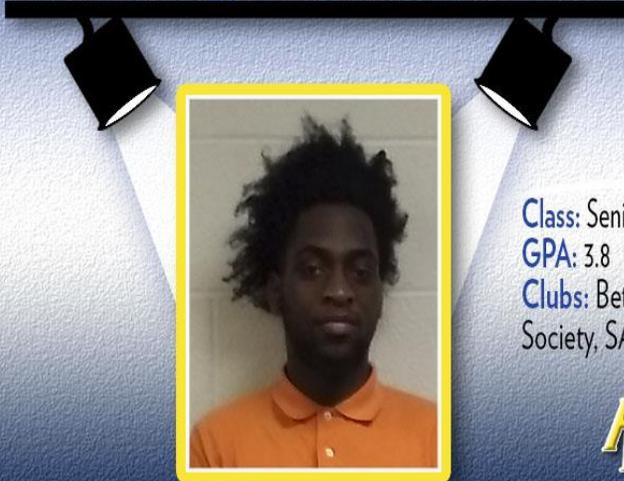


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STUDENT SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT



MATREVIAN YATES

Class: Senior
 GPA: 3.8
 Clubs: Beta Club, National Honor Society, SADD, & Wildcat Crazyies

Academics: Dual Enrollment Math
 Awards: Honor Roll & 6th Man of the Year



Wildcat Football Loses a Heartbreaker and Opportunity to Host Playoff Game

Fayette Ware Wildcats took the field Friday night, 10/26, with high expectations as they hosted district foe Craigmont for senior night. The Wildcats took a 14-0 lead by half time. Wildcats had held Craigmont scoreless for two quarters and the atmosphere was growing. Senior activities were held at the half and everyone was set for more football. But something happened in that 20 minutes of non-play causing the Wildcats to come out flat. Craigmont outscored the Wildcats 18-2 in the 2nd half, taking the win 18-16. What a heartbreaker for the Wildcats and the fans that came out despite the cool, damp temperatures. Wildcats now travel for playoffs to Haywood High School.

