



# The Firebird Screams

"Ask not for whom the Firebird screams, he screams for you!" - Fred the Firebird

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## April Dates to Remember:

Apr 3 - 6th Grade Field Trip, Museum of Life & Science  
 Apr 3 - Board Meeting, 6:30p  
 Apr 4 - NJHS Inductions, 7p  
 Apr 5 - NHS Inductions, 6p  
 Apr 8 - Mega-Marathon Library Processing Day, 1:30p  
 Apr 10 - 5th Grade Middle School Informational Night, 6:30p  
 Apr 11 - 3rd Grade Field Trip, Three Bears Acres  
 Apr 12 - Elementary Music Concert (grades K-1), 6p  
 Apr 12-13 - 11th grade Queen's U, Davidson & UNC Charlotte Field Trip  
 Apr 16 - Band Booster Meeting, 6p  
 Apr 17 - Elementary Music Concert (grades 2-3), 6:30p  
 Apr 17 - Board Meeting (if called), 6:30p  
 Apr 18 - PSAT 10, 9a  
 Apr 19 - 2nd Grade Field Trip, Museum of Life & Science  
 Apr 19 - EOY Dance Performance Dress, 5p  
 Apr 19 - Elementary Music Concert (grades 4-5), 6:30p  
 Apr 20 - EOY Dance Performance, 7p  
 Apr 21 - Flight Crew Yard Sale, Chicken Plate Sale & Car Wash, 8a  
 Apr 21 - Mega-Marathon Library Processing Day, 9a & 1p  
 Apr 24 - PAC Meeting, 6p  
 Apr 25 - Administrative Professionals Day  
 Apr 26 - PTA General Meeting, 6:30p  
 Apr 27-28 - High School Spring Show, 7p

## CHANGES IN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Three of FLA's board members were recently recognized for the years of service on the FLA Board of Directors. **Mr. Andy Peterson, Mr. Paul Shelton and Mr. Kevin Nolte** recently completed their terms as BOD members. Mr. Peterson a founding board member, Mr. Shelton and Mr. Nolte were celebrated for their dedication and commitment to the establishment of Falls Lake Academy. They have volunteered countless hours to the planning, development and governance of our great school. **THANK YOU for your service from the entire Firebird Family!** Enjoy your "board retirement".



We would also like to welcome three new board members!  
Meet our newest members:



### Leah Englebright

Leah was born and raised in Oxford, NC and has made it her permanent residence. Leah and her husband Allen have two wonderful kids one of which attends Falls Lake Academy now and the other will soon follow. She has her BS in Accounting from Meredith College and her Masters in Accounting from North Carolina State University. Leah is also a Certified Public Accountant in the State of North Carolina. She is currently the Director of Budget and Finance at the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics in Durham, NC where she oversees all of the financial functions of the school. Leah and her family are actively involved with their church Clearview and enjoying quality family time. She is very excited to join the firebird family and looks forward to contributing her accounting expertise and watching the school continue to grow and thrive.



### Robb Cannady

Robb is a new addition to the FLA Board of Directors as of March 2018. He was born in Richmond, VA and grew up in Midlothian, VA with his mother, grandmother and two younger sisters. Robb and his wife Devin moved to Granville County 6 years ago to start a family and for Devin to pursue her nursing career at Duke University. Now having two daughters, Walker (3) and Josie Swain (1), the desire to get involved and give back in the local community will be fulfilled at Falls Lake Academy. Robb attended James Madison University school of Business while serving his country in the United States Marine Corps Reserve. As owner and territory manager of Buckley & Associates, he and his team provide facility supplies and equipment from NY to SC. With previous board experience as Chairman of the Board-Skills USA-VA, Building Maintenance 2012-2017, Robb will ensure Falls Lake Academy stays true to the charter and mission statement.



### ***...Continue New Board Members***



**Sean Hogue**

Sean Hogue is a Lieutenant for Butner Public Safety and has been an officer with them for 9 years. In addition to serving as a Police Officer, Firefighter, and EMS First Responder with Butner Public Safety, He is also a Combat Medic for a Military Police Battalion in the Army Reserves. Sean has been a Soldier in the Army for 18 years, serving 5 years active duty and 2 tours overseas. Sean is the President of Safe Kids Granville County, which is an organization active in promoting child safety within the community. Originally living in Apex, Sean and his family moved to Creedmoor in 2013 after his last tour in Afghanistan. Along with his duties with Butner Public Safety and the Army, Sean is also pursuing a B.S. in Criminal Justice Administration at the University of Phoenix. Through his many positions and disciplines, Sean is passionate about and committed to giving back and helping others.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE 2018 - 2019 SCHOOL YEAR AT FLA**

Attached in the email is the new 2018 - 2019 School Calendar. Please note the new start date for 2018 - 2019 school year and the changes in regards to breaks and early release dates through out the school year. The reason for the delay and changes in the calendar is to make sure the move into our new High School Building goes smoothly. Enjoy a longer break!

New High School Hours and Schedule for next year:

High School Hours: 8:45am - 3:55pm

1st Block:	8:45a - 10:15a
2nd Block:	10:20a - 11:50a
Lunch/SMART Lunch:	11:50a - 12:45p
3rd Block:	12:50p - 2:20p
4th Block:	2:25p - 3:55p

5 Minute between each class

## **Volunteers Needed !!!**

Proctors Needed for End of the Year Testing, May 17h – May 31st. We are in need of proctors for End of the Year Testing. Please use the included Sign-Up Genius link to volunteer to proctor during our End of Year testing. We need a lot of help during these days. This is an excellent opportunity to get volunteer hours.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FAFAD2EA5F49-proctor>

## **FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

- Informational night for our rising sixth graders (current fifth graders) on April 10th at 6:30pm

# PARENT-FAMILY VOLUNTEER HOURS REMINDER

Families are required to have 10 hours of volunteer time at Falls Lake Academy each year. The hours should be logged online and should be for volunteer time at Falls Lake only. If you have not started logging your volunteer time, please do so as soon as possible. Need ideas for volunteer hours? Below you find a list of volunteer opportunities for parents:

- \*Collect gate fees at a basketball game
- \*Work the concession stand at home games
- \*Assist PTA with upcoming dances or fundraising opportunities
- \*Participate in Band or Athletic Booster meetings
- \*Participate in PTA meetings
- \*Volunteer during lunch
- \*Volunteer in the media center re-shelving books
- \*Volunteer to assist with grounds keeping
- \*Chaperone a fieldtrip
- \*Help in the classroom as requested by the teacher
- \*Proctor for End of Grade testing in May



## PSAT-10

10<sup>th</sup> grade students can take the PSAT-10 on April 18<sup>th</sup>.

The cost is \$16.00

This is optional, but recommended as this test mimics the PSAT/NMSQT that all FLA Juniors take, as well as the SAT

A registration form was sent out to all 10<sup>th</sup> grade families through Jupiter and passed out from 10<sup>th</sup> grade PAA teachers. Additional forms can be picked up in the High School main office.

## ELEMENTARY MUSIC CONCERTS

Come out to and enjoy the elementary music concerts in April. The concert is free and all donations go back into getting more instruments for the students.



Kindergarten and First Grade: April 12 at 6:00

Second and Third Grade: April 17 at 6:30

Fourth and Fifth Grade: April 19 at 6:30

# PTA CORNER

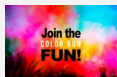
## Upcoming Events

Royal Ball - 04/21/2018

Contact us at [fallslakeacademypta@gmail.com](mailto:fallslakeacademypta@gmail.com) if interested in being on the committee!

PTA General Meeting - 04/26/2018 6:30-7:30p

Color Run - 05/19/2018



## Become a PTA Member

By joining the PTA you are not only staying in the know about your child's school, from events to volunteer opportunities, but you are a voice and by just simply joining you are making the voice of the PTA even louder! There are many ways to be involved, so please plan to join us at our next scheduled meeting!

Joining the PTA is just a click away! Just visit [MemberHub](#) today!

## Stay Informed

Website

<http://www.ptafallslakeacademy.com/>

Facebook

Falls Lake Academy PTA

MemberHub

<https://fallslakeacademy.memberhub.com/dues>

## Purchase PTA Items via the Website

<http://www.ptafallslakeacademy.com/shop.html>

Lanyard \$2 - Hot Pink, Orange, Grey

Tervis Tumblers \$15 per tumbler or two for \$25

## Teacher Grants

Approved grants this school year include:

### Elementary School

- Subscription to PebbleGo (5 databases) for this year in the amount of \$1,145.00
- Special seating (two mesh back chairs, 4 wobble chairs, 2 balance balls) in the amount of \$500.00
- Bass Xylophone and cart materials for ES Music in the amount of \$560.00
- Kindergarten chair pockets in the amount of \$170.00
- 1st grade chair pockets in the amount of \$177.50
- Desk cycles in the amount of \$636.00
- 25 clipboards in the amount of \$2

### Middle School

- Amazon Fire tablets with Alexa in the amount of \$479.94
- Microscopes in the amount of \$3,500.67

### High School

- 20 basket making kits for HS Art in the amount of \$75.00
- Electrophoresis supplies in the amount of \$997.80

### IEP

- Laptop speakers, scissors, and glue sticks in the amount of \$58.07

### AIG

- Borenson Math - Hands-On Equations in the amount of \$472.36



# Junior Prom

**May 5**  
**7:30 – Midnight**

Ticket sales will start March 2<sup>nd</sup> and end April 20<sup>th</sup>

Cost is \$30 per person or \$50 per couple

We will have ticket sales on-line at

[http://www.ptafallslakeacademy.com/store/c12/Junior\\_Prom.html](http://www.ptafallslakeacademy.com/store/c12/Junior_Prom.html) or at school during lunch, make sure you see Mrs. Seccia to purchase in school.

**+ There will be no ticket sales after Apr 20<sup>th</sup> +  
Tickets will be distributed the week before the prom.**

We will use the following website to share all prom information:

<https://flajuniorprom.weebly.com/>

**See the website for the permission form! It must be completed by April 26<sup>th</sup>!**



**Prom Décor Donations need to be in by Apr 6<sup>th</sup>. Please reach out to Camilla at [dinxx6@yahoo.com](mailto:dinxx6@yahoo.com) with any questions.**



## Mega-Marathon Library Processing Days - Volunteer Opportunities

We'll be holding several more Mega-marathon Library Processing days in the next few weeks. This is a time that we input library books into our card catalog system so that students can check them out.

There are five shifts to choose from. You can sign up for one or all the shifts. It's easy. It's fun. And any adult, middle school, or high school student can earn volunteering hours by coming to help out.

April 8: 1:30 - 4:30

April 21: 9-12

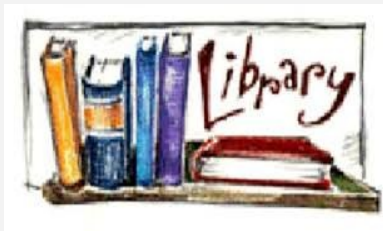
April 21: 1-4

May 6: 1:30 - 4:30

\*\*\* We are also adding a special day on April 14th that is a Buddy Book processing. That is designed for elementary students to get some hours by processing new books with an adult to help them out. Those hours will be 8-11. Please, one adult per child. Right now, this date is full. However, if it works, I will be adding another date like this in early May.

We need about 40 volunteers at each shift, so please use this link to sign up! Hope to see you there!

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0F48A9A62CA4F49-mega10](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0F48A9A62CA4F49-mega10)



During the beginning of the second semester, our Library Specials classes had some activities that introduced the students to the Caldecott Medal. The Caldecott Medal is an award given to the best illustrations in a picture book. It is given out once a year. While there is only one Caldecott Medal winner, a few books are chosen to be Caldecott Honor books.

All of the Library classes had the same 25 randomly chosen books to rate and select their prospective winner. There were a number of aspects that the students considered when rating their books. Over the course of two weeks of selections and voting, we had our winners:

FLA Medal Winner – Fluffy and Baron    Illustrator – Laura Rankin

FLA Honor Winners – Crankenstein    Illustrator – Dan Santat

The Dragon Machine    Illustrator – Wayne Anderson

The Napping House    Illustrator – Dan Wood

All library books are during the week of May 7 when your child comes to their Library Specials class. If you would like to see if your child has a book checked out, visit our Falls Lake Academy web page at [fallslakeacademy.com](http://fallslakeacademy.com) and scroll down to the Library Catalog icon near the bottom of the page. Once you click on the icon, select Log In in the upper right hand corner of the page. Your child's username is their capitalized first name and their capitalized last name with no spaces (ex: BillySmith) and the password is the word password.



Once you have logged in, click on MY INFO and you will see the library materials that your child has checked out.

### **BOGO Scholastic Bookfair coming up:**

Our Spring Scholastic Bookfair will be May 7th - May 11th in the FLA Library. This is not a fundraiser. This is a way to help our FLA families stock up on summer reading. EVERYTHING in the bookfair is Buy One, Get One FREE. Feel free to invite your friends and family out to shop. The book fair will be open for SLC's on Tuesday, May 8th, and throughout the week.

Keep an eye out in mid-April for a volunteer signup to help us set up, run, and take down the book fair.



Falls Lake Middle and High School recently competed in the NCASA Regional Quiz Bowl competitions. Great job to our Quiz Bowl teams!

District level Battle of the Books coming soon  
Elementary Battle of the Books is on April 18, 2018.  
Middle School Battle of the Books is on April 11, 2018.  
Wish us luck!



### **Spelling Bee Winners**

#### **Elementary (Grades 3-5)**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Alex Sprouse  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Noah King  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Blaine Smith

#### **Middle School (Grades 6-8)**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Maddie Lloyd  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Maddie Clark  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Vanessa Garcia



Congratulations to our FLA School Spelling Bee Champions. Excellent work from all of our Spelling Bee participants. A whopping 137 words were correctly spelled during our Spelling Bees. Great job, everyone!



## DINE OUT AT EL RIO CREEDMOOR

April 19, 2018

4pm - 10pm

**Come out and enjoy a dinner night out with family and friends!** Your support will help profit the FLA Booster Club and the Athletic Department. Bring all family, friends and neighbors. See you there come dine in or take out. Oh, and don't forget to tell the cashier that you are a Falls Lake Academy Family!!

El Rio  
2531 E Lyon Station Rd  
Creedmoor  
919-528-4897

## SECOND ANNUAL FALLS LAKE ACADEMY ATHLETIC CAR WASH



**APRIL 21, 2018**

**8:00 AM—1:00 PM**

**FALLS LAKE ACADEMY PARKING LOT**

ALL FUNDS RAISED GO TO SUPPORT FLA ATHLETIC  
DEPARTMENT AND THE BOOSTER CLUB  
**WE NEED YOU!**

BRING YOUR CAR! BRING YOUR PARENTS CAR! TELL YOUR FRIENDS,  
FAMILY & NEIGHBOR! SPREAD THE WORD!

Calling all FLA Athletes to volunteer and make this successful!!

**Contact:** Ileana O'Sullivan 919.418.6243  
[Ileana911@aol.com](mailto:Ileana911@aol.com)



EVERYTHING  
MUST GO!

## COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Falls Lake Academy

April 21, 2018

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

FLA Parking Lot

*Come rent a parking spot for only \$10.00; sell your items and make money! We are also accepting gently used donated items to sell for a chance to raise money for FLA Athletic Department & Booster Club. We would really appreciate all your support. Call your friends, family, co-workers and neighbors and have them either join you in renting a sport or donate items to FLA.*

*Thank You So Much For All Your Support!!*

**Reserve a parking sport  
for only \$10.00**

**Sell your junk & earn  
\$\$\$\$**

Accepting donated and gently used items to sell, drop off items at FLA on April 20 @ 5PM - 8PM and/or April 21 @ 7:30AM

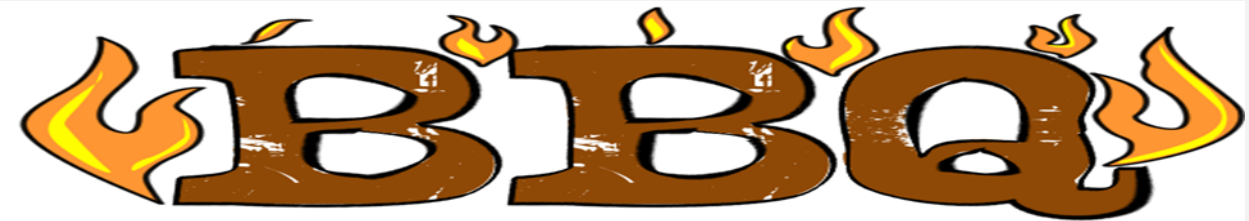
Call your family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, everyone to join us!!

**Support our Athletics**

### FLIGHT BOOSTER CLUB

Reserve your spot with!

Sandy Fletcher - [11fletch4@gmail.com](mailto:11fletch4@gmail.com); Brandi Ross - [rossmom.br@gmail.com](mailto:rossmom.br@gmail.com);  
Tonia Teasley - [tdteasley@aol.com](mailto:tdteasley@aol.com); Michelle Griffin - [michellevggriffin@frontier.com](mailto:michellevggriffin@frontier.com)



*It is time for our annual Chicken BBQ*

*Falls Lake Academy*

*April 21, 2018 11:00 -12:00*

*Parking lot*

*If you have not purchased your Chicken ticket yet, find a FLA Athlete, any Booster Club Member, and or Athletic Director and purchase one. Tickets are \$8.00 a plate, includes half a chicken, beans, potatoes and a roll.  
Come support our Athletic program and enjoy a nice lunch.*

*We need volunteers to help serve and clean grills*

*Look for genius sign up coming soon!!!*

# EOY LUNCH REMINDER

Please note there will be **NO** catered lunches delivered from May 17th through May 31st. Due to end of the year testing it is important that **ALL** students bring their lunches from May 17th through May 31st. We will have students testing in the office during those days, therefore we ask that you do **NOT** drop off any food during this time. Thank you for your understanding!

To help serve lunch during 4th quarter please use the following link.  
[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/805044BABA82BA13-4thquarter](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/805044BABA82BA13-4thquarter)



Kindergarten Celebrated St. Patrick's day with fun leprechaun activities and setting up creative leprechaun traps.

## END OF GRADE TESTING DATES

Below is the schedule for our end of year testing.

May 17th - 3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Reading

May 18th - 3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Math

May 21st - 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Reading

May 22nd - 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Math

May 23rd - 7th Grade Science, High School 1st Period & 3rd Grade Reading Re-Test (if needed)

May 24th - 7th Grade Social Studies & High School 2nd Period

May 25th - 5th Grade Science, 7th Grade Make-Up Day & High School 3rd Period

May 29th - 6th & 8th Grade Science & High School 4th Period

May 30th - 6th & 8th Grade Social Studies & High School 5th Period

May 31st - High School 6th Period



Falls Lake Relay for Life team will be hosting PLAY FOR RELAY on April 21<sup>st</sup>. The kids can participate in open gym/games for a \$10 donation to relay. Pizza, snack, gatorade, water, juice, etc will also be available for purchase.

Schedule will be as follows:  
Elementary 9am-11am, middle 11am-1pm, and high school 1pm-3pm.

FLA Theatre Presents:

# Game of Tiaras

Vance  
Granville  
Community  
College  
Small  
Auditorium



April 27

7 pm

April 28

2 pm

7 pm

**Tickets \$5.00**



High School Student  
Led-Conferences  
(grades 9-11)  
May 3, 2018

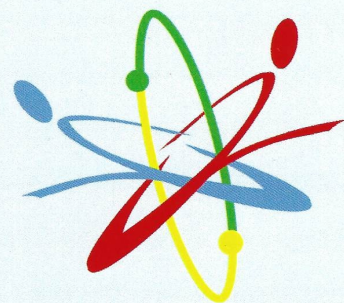
Student Led Conference  
(grades K-8)  
May 8, 2018 - No FAST

Butterfly P.O.L.  
May 14, 2018 at GAP



Dropping Seeds in Motion Presents:

## ***Moving Successfully in Science Summer Camp!***



- Hands on Science Experiments
- SLIME- Chemistry of HOW it WORKS!
- Physics through Basketball
- Fun, Action Based Learning Activities & MORE!!!

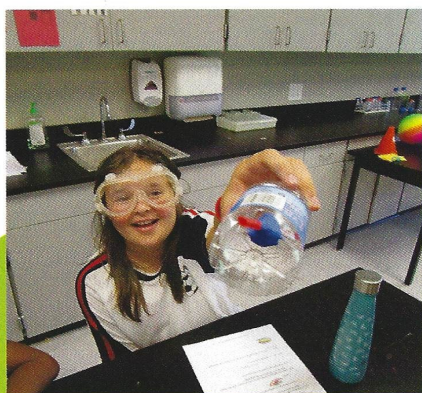
June 25th - June 29th 2018  
8:00am- 12:00pm

First Baptist Church  
119 S Main St  
Creedmoor, NC 27522

Snack will be  
provided

***Early Bird Rate:  
(before April 30th)  
\$109 & Registration  
Fee WAIVED!***

***For Rising  
2nd thru  
5th Graders!***



*Registration after April 30th: \$119 + \$15 registration fee*

Register online: [www.DroppingSeedsinMotion.com](http://www.DroppingSeedsinMotion.com)

Learn from a Real World Scientist!

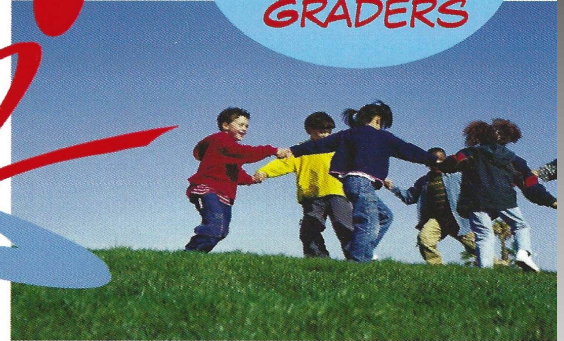
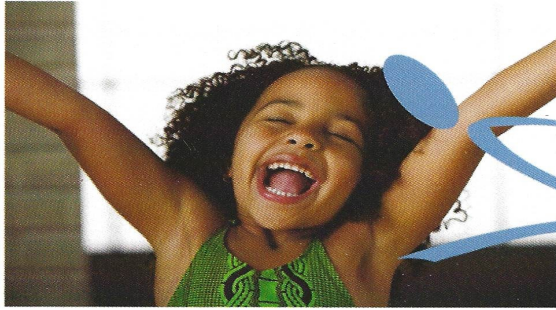
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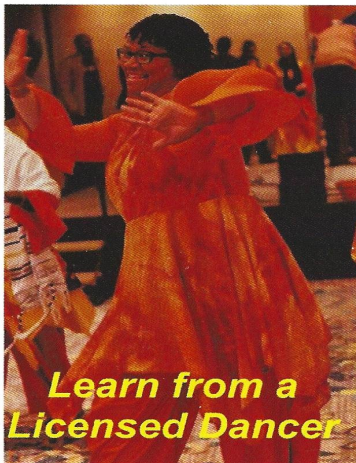
DROPPING SEEDS IN MOTION PRESENTS:

RISEING 1ST  
THRU 5TH  
GRADERS



MOVING THROUGH HIS WORD  
WORSHIP ARTS & DANCE  
SUMMER CAMP

(Snack will be provided)



Early Bird Rate:  
before April 30th  
\$90 and  
Registration Fee  
WAIVED!

DANCE  
FLAGS/BILLOWS  
MUSIC  
VISUAL ART



After April 30th: \$99 +  
\$15 Registration Fee

Partnering with First  
Baptist Church,  
Creedmoor

Register online: [www.DroppingSeedsinMotion.com](http://www.DroppingSeedsinMotion.com)

July 16th - July 20th 2018 8:00am -12:00pm

First Baptist Church

119 S Main St Creedmoor, NC 27522



That's it for this edition of the SCREAMER....until next time. -Fred the Firebird.

