



PASSPORT TO THE NEWS



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FCAT News!

The FCAT testing is quickly approaching. Please take the opportunity over the next several weeks to have your students work on the FCAT Explorer and FOCUS websites from your home computer. Testing begins on March 9 for all students from 3rd to 8th grade.

The students will need to be in school throughout the week of March 8 so please schedule any appointments after school hours so that they will not interfere with testing schedules.

The PTO is putting together FCAT Survival kits for each of the students taking the tests. If you would like to donate pink erasers, #2 pencils, mint chewing gum, bottled water, etc. please drop off items at the school office.

Passport Panthers Basketball

This week was an exciting week for the Panthers. Tuesday was our final game against Stonewall Jackson Middle School. Our team was awesome, we scored 29 points. After the game, team and fans celebrated a terrific season at CiCi's pizza. All members of the team received a medal for their participation. Jovanski Dean-Colon was selected as the Most Valuable Player and Ricky Reilly was selected as Most Improved Player.

In addition, to the players Mrs. Ngugi was thanked for being the "BEST TEAM MOM EVER!!" while Mr. Quinones was thanked for all of his efforts with coaching assistance.

Yearbook Ads

We are offering all Passport parents the opportunity to place an ad or message to your child in the Passport Yearbook, each ad is ¼ page and costs \$15.00. Also, students will be able to include a photo of themselves with their Passport "best friend(s)" for \$5.00. Please submit a photograph of the "best friends" with the order form. Order forms for ads and best friends were sent home today.

Yearbook!

Annual Talent Show

All selections for the talent show have been announced. In addition, several classes and clubs will have group performances.

The Talent Show and Spaghetti Dinner, catered by Rossi's, will take place on March 25, 2010 at the Lake George Elementary School cafeteria/auditorium. Tickets will be on sale beginning March 1, 2010. Admission will cost \$7.00/adults & \$5.00/students. **Everyone** attending must purchase a ticket, including the students who are performing and their family members. Please remember that this is a fundraising activity.

We are looking for a few volunteers to help setup the table decorations, sell tickets at the door and sweep after the show. If you are available and would like to help please contact the office.

This night should be very exciting for everyone. We ask that all students who are participating wear dress clothes.



Spring Photos/Class Photos

Spring Photos and Class photos will be taken on Monday, March 1, 2009. The students must be in full school uniform. They are permitted to bring a different shirt to wear for the Spring Photo, but must return to their full school uniform after the picture. Please remember to send in your order form by Wednesday, February 24, 2010.

8th Grade Notice

8th Grade Parents please remember we are approaching the time of the year when you need to start considering high school enrollment. It is the parent's responsibility to complete registration paperwork at whichever school your family is zoned to attend. Please contact the appropriate registrar to enroll your 8th grader for next year.

Boone High – 407-893-7200
University High – 407-482-8700
Colonial High – 407-249-6369

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Safety Reminders

Please remember to pay attention to your speed while on campus. The posted speed limit is 5 mph. In addition, if the cones are in the driveway please wait for a staff member to move them before driving around the school. The safety of our students is always the priority.

Kindergarten/Sibling Registration

If you have another child who is currently not enrolled at Passport but you are planning on registering for the 2010-2011 school year, please contact the office to add their names to the roster. This would include any student Kindergarten-8th Grade.

Email List



If you would like to receive the newsletter and other important correspondence via email, please send an email with the subject line "parent list" to ogarcia@passportcharter.org

Volunteer Opportunities

We are in need of volunteers to assist in several areas on campus. If you have some time you could dedicate to the school, please contact the office. We are currently in need of assistance with:

1. Computer lab maintenance
2. Installation of Accelerated Reader software
3. Classroom Tutors (please remember you are not able to volunteer in your own child's classroom)

You can earn volunteer points towards your yearly volunteer requirements.

Club Report

Spanish Club (3rd-8th) – Monday 8:00-8:30 AM
Music Club (Kg-3rd) – Wednesday 1:30-2:30 PM
Band (4th-8th) – Wednesday 2:30-3:30 PM
Chess Club – Wednesday 8:00 AM
Art Club (Kg-3rd) – Thursday 8:00 AM
Art Club (4th-8th) – Tuesday 8:00 AM
Basketball Practice – Monday & Tuesday 3:00-4:30 PM
Wednesday 2:00-3:30 PM
Homework Club (Kg-3rd) - Tuesday 8:00 AM
Homework Club (4th-8th) - Thursday 8:00 AM
Dance Club – Thursday 2:30-3:30 PM
Safety Patrol – 1st & 3rd Friday 8:00 AM
Student Government – 2nd & 4th Friday 8:00 AM
Cheerleading – Monday & Tuesday 8:00 AM

*Most clubs have membership limits; join early to ensure a space.

Next Week's Lunch Menu

**Beginning 3/1/2010 lunches will be supplied by Dover Shores ES

Monday - Roasted Chicken

Tuesday - Mozzarella Sticks

Wednesday - Pepperoni Pizza

Thursday - Chili Beef Burritos

Friday - Chicken Bowl

Upcoming Events

Spring Photos/Class Photos – March 1, 2010

Parent Teacher Org (PTO) Mtg – March 2, 2010 @ 5:30 PM in Cafeteria

Kg/1st Grade Field Trip – March 9, 2010 @ 8:45 AM – 2:15 PM

FCAT (3rd – 8th Grades) – March 9-19, 2010

School Advisory Council (SAC) Mtg – March 17, 2010 @ 5:30 PM in Cafeteria

Board of Directors (BOD) Mtg – March 18, 2010 @ 5:30 PM in Cafeteria

Talent Show/Spaghetti Dinner – March 25, 2010 @ 6:00 PM in Lake George ES Cafeteria/Auditorium

NO SCHOOL – March 26, 2010

Spring Break – March 29 – April 5, 2010

2nd/3rd Grade Field Trip – April 9, 2010 @ 8:30 AM – 6:15 PM

Parent Leadership Council (PLC) Mtg – TBA

Employees of the Week!

Mr. Stanley Brown – Custodian

Student of the Week!

We salute our students of the week:

Primary: Marcus Valle
Intermediate: Lydia Parker
Middle School: Amanda White

Thank You!

We would like to thank the Passport volunteers for their efforts this week: especially Mr. Quinones, Mrs. Yates, Mr. Reed and Mrs. Ngugi, as well as all of the volunteers who help our school.