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The FAIRHOPE WEST ELEMENTARY PIRATE

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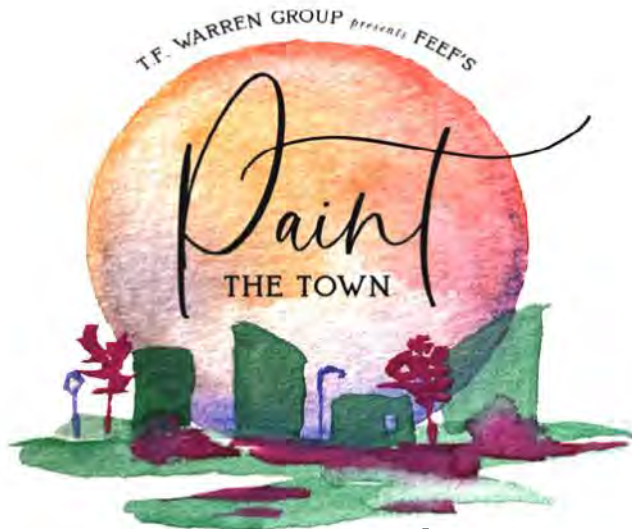
"Learning and Leading to Empower Our Genius!"

Out of School LEARNING

October 12



We have two e-learning days scheduled for this year, October 12 and January 18. On these days, students will not report to school but WILL have to log on to their computers and complete activities and coursework for those days. We hope by telling you this far in advance, you are able to go ahead and make accommodations for you and your student.



Save the Date!

The Fairhope Educational Enrichment Foundation (FEFF) is proud to announce dates for their fall fundraiser, Paint the Town, on **Friday, October 22, 2021** at 7:00 pm in Downtown Fairhope. They will light up the town at the intersection of Section St. and Fairhope Ave.

FEFF is a wonderful asset to our school system and has provided more than \$2.5 million dollars in science, technology, engineering, art, math, reading, and music grants to our schools. To learn more about this organization or to get involved, visit their website, <https://feefonline.org>.

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW and can be purchased at:
<https://feefonline.org/feeffallfundraiser/>

Honor a teacher by purchasing their ticket!
Email FEFF for a special discount code! (director@FEFFonline.org)

Thank you for your support!

Important Dates

- Oct. 1 Custodial Appreciation Day
- Oct. 1 Bike to School
- Oct. 4 PTP Rotolo's Spirit Night 3:00 to 8:00
- Oct. 6 International Walk to School Day Begins at 7:00 a.m. at Coastal College
- Oct. 7 Fall picture orders and payment due
- Oct. 7 End of 1st Quarter
- Oct. 8-11 Fall Break
- Oct. 12 *School at Home Learning Using Chromebooks - Building is Closed, see article*
- Oct. 15 Report Cards Go Home
- Oct. 15 Perfect Attendance, No Checkouts or Tardies - Out of Uniform Reward
- Oct. 18 Blood Drive
- Oct. 18 Flu Vaccines
- Oct. 21 PTP Subway Spirit Night 3:00 to 8:00
- Oct. 22 FEFF Paint the Town Fundraiser
- Oct. 25 Deadline Student Artwork to PTP, see article
- Oct. 27 Reading Logs Due for AU vs AL Reading Contest, see article
- Oct. 29 **Halloween Parties at Teachers' Discretion**
- Oct. 29 Trunk or Treat 5:00-7:00 p.m., see article

CLASSIFIED JOB FAIR

Apply Today



Know Someone Looking for a Job?

Baldwin County Schools is hosting a first ever Classified Job Fair on October 13 at the Robertsdale Coliseum from 10:00-5:30. Principals and Directors of various departments will be on hand to answer questions and conduct interviews. The following departments plan to participate in this recruitment event: **Special Education, Child Nutrition, Educational Technology, Environmental Services, Nursing, Facilities & Maintenance, & After School Child Care.** Working for Baldwin County Schools and children is a win-win! The health insurance and retirement plans are excellent. Investing in the future generations of our community is rewarding! **Go and check it out!**



FWE will be kicking off Alabama Education Association's **BE A CHAMPION READ** Contest October 1st. The contest will run through October 27th. Students will be challenged to read six reading level appropriate books to qualify for the Grand Prize: Iron Bowl tickets - one winner for each team - for the student and two guests. Look for the reading logs coming home with your child, record their six reading level appropriate books, and return to school! Postcards will be completed by teachers and returned to the library for students to be entered into the contest! Don't forget to return reading logs before Friday, October 27th! **Happy Reading!!**



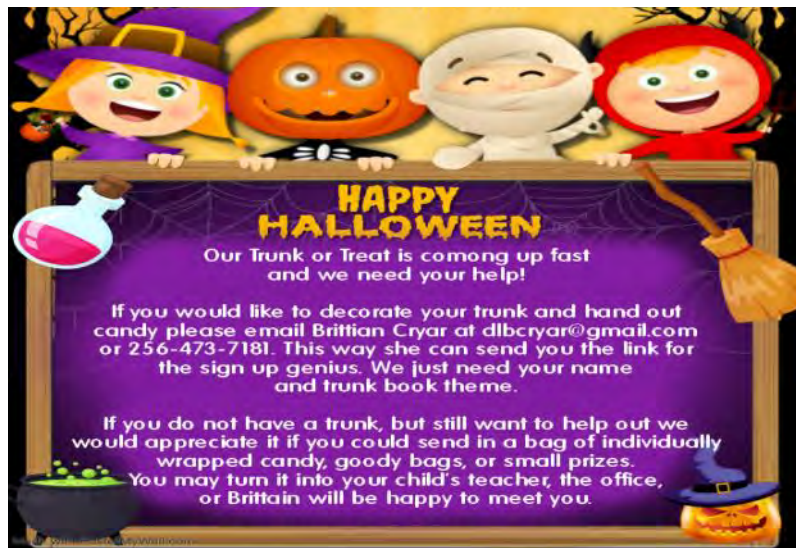
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, IS BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY WITH A HALLOWEEN THEME!

Decorate your bike for Halloween - whether you're feeling creepy or cute, we can't wait to see some festive bikes! All participants will receive a spoke bead.

As always, remember to wear your helmet, enter by the HOV line, and walk your bike once on campus. For more information, visit [Facebook.com/BikeToSchoolFairhope](https://www.facebook.com/BikeToSchoolFairhope).

Parent Teacher Partnership is BUSY!

1. PTP is organizing volunteers to support the FWES teachers. Copy Angels have been busy helping teachers with copying instructional materials. Parents have fed the teachers and even gone door to door with a snack wagon. Guided reading bookroom and library helpers have helped to organize reading materials for students. If you'd like to help, email fairhopewestptp@gmail.com! There are lots of ways to share your talent and passion.
2. The PTP is actively redecorating the teacher workroom as a place where teachers can catch their breath in a soothing and beautiful place. They are looking for student artwork to display in the teacher's lounge. The artwork can be any size, subject, or medium. Please submit to the office by October 25th.
3. PTP is looking for participants for their 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat event on October 29 from 5-7 p.m.



Red Ribbon Week

The Student Council has selected dress up days to celebrate Red Ribbon Week, October 25th - October 29th.

- October 25 **Hats** "Put a lid on drugs."
- October 26 **Sunglasses** "I am too bright to do drugs."
- October 27 **Mustache** "I mustache you not to do drugs."
- October 28 **Team** "Team up against drugs."
- October 29 **Backwards Clothes** "Turn your back on drugs."

Chromebook HELP?

EdTech has created a Parent Tech Portal to assist parents with the technology tools which are being used by your children on a district-wide basis.



<https://www.bcbe.org/cms/module/selectsurvey/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=182>

COUNSELING PROGRAM INPUT

Each year, our wonderful counselors gather feedback from parents to help improve their program. Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts and opinions at this link: <https://forms.gle/E499TXkaG4YCBgK5A>.



SCHOOL DISMISSAL

Changing a child's dismissal involves a lot of folks - front office staff, teacher(s), child(ren), Mom, and Dad. The challenge in a large school with over 900 students is to make sure that A LOT of folks get the word about a transportation change.

Welcome School Dismissal Manager!

School Dismissal Manager is an online system that informs all parties of transportation changes with a few clicks of a button. This reduces the chance of error. Beginning September 27, 2021, FWE will begin using School Dismissal Manager for afternoon dismissal changes. The system promises to be easy. In addition, the Student Handbook, located on the school website, has a section with more specific information about SDM.



Some of you may have specific custodial situations that will need to be addressed on an individual basis. Please contact Mary Elizabeth Brock or Julie Pierce for assistance. Mary Elizabeth Brock's email address is mebrook@bcbe.org. Julie Pierce's email address is jgpierce@bcbe.org. The office phone number is 251-928-8400. We are here to help and are excited about making transportation changes via email.



2021-2022 Peer Helpers

Congratulations to the following students on being chosen to be part of the Peer Helper program for the 2021-2022 school year. We look forward to seeing the difference you make!

6th Grade - Nash Gearhart
Zoe Langley
Knox Lawson
Danielle Rawden
Jenna Brooks
Ellie Giddings

5th Grade - Imani Blackman
Ellie Breaux
Lizzy Hayes Odem
Lilygray Smith
Bess Ennis
Bristol Cryar
Avery Huffty

4th Grade - Virginia Clark
Kaylee Hattaway
Savannah Grace Jones
Caroline Jernigan
Savanna Gearhart
Jillian Kelley

3rd Grade - Maggie McDowell
Ava Hicks
Ida Mae Myrick
Fisher Stillman
Za'Niyah Perdue
William Preus
Mia Rodriguez Mendoza



FAIRHOPE WEST
Student Council Campaign

Congratulations to the students elected by their classmates to the 2021-2022 FWES Student Council!

Officers: President - Bella Buijn
Vice Pres - Lucy McIntosh
Secretary - Avery Wren
Treasurer - Ava Kuhn

Class Representatives:

3rd Grade: Isaac Coheley, Ruby Rowe, Brantley Breaux, Elise Autrey, Callie Edwards, Darby Butler, Mez Olsen

4th Grade: Teagan Corbeil, Emma Jane Thompson, Isabelle Riley, Olivia Kaiser, Sarah Gautney, Gunnar Janes,

5th Grade: Collins Chamblee, Luci LeCroy, Mary Page Ellis, Brody Bosarge, Koli Arant, Bess Innis,

6th Grade: Griggs Gilmore, Roneque Moodie, Braxton Bailey, Aly Bradley, Jack Gerhardt

WHAT ARE MY STUDENT'S GRADES?

This is a great question! Please click on this link to access your child's grades.

<https://baldwinco.powerschool.com/>

QUICK FACT!

What is the #1 choice that parents make to help ensure students do well in school??

ATTENDANCE!

LEADER IN ME

Fairhope West Elementary staff pours into your children through Leader in Me. We proudly believe in our mission statement, "Learning and Leading to Empower Our Genius." Each child is uniquely blessed with special talents and interests. We offer a myriad of clubs, jobs, and extracurricular activities to honor and educate the whole child.

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| CLUBS | Crafting | Reader's Theater |
| 3D Design and Print | Dance | Reading |
| Archery | Drama | Robotics |
| Art | Gymnastics | Running |
| Baseball | Jewelry | Science Club |
| Book Club | Kickball | Soccer |
| Little Pirate Cheer Club | Kindness Club | STEAM Club |
| Chess | Lego | All Sports |
| Classic Board Games | Origami | Volleyball |
| Classic Video Games | Photography | Wiffleball |
| Coding | Ping Pong | Yoga |



- SCHOOL WIDE ROLES, HONORS, & ACTIVITIES
- Breakfast Crew
 - Library Media Specialists
 - Office Management
 - Art Assistants
 - PE Assistants
 - Music Assistants
 - Safety Patrol/Hallway Safety Assistants

- Custodial Assistants
- FWES Morning News Crew
- Peer Helpers
- Wildly Important Goal (W.I.G.) Data Trackers
- Genius Bar
- Student Lighthouse Team
- National Elementary Honor Society
- Green Team

- Student Council
- Science Olympiad Team
- Pirate Sound

- OUTSIDE AGENCY OPPORTUNITIES
- Musical Beginnings – Piano
 - Strings in Schools – Violin, Cello, Viola

CLUB & School Wide Role News

The Peer Helpers are helping our primary students with flashcards in reading and math and buddy reading.

Cafeteria Helpers have created a Share Tub to hold unopened drinks and food items for students who do not have a snack.

The Data Trackers explain how FWES monitors its progress in meeting our school wide Wildly Important Goal! <https://drive.google.com/file/d/16xnOCbM1JA4iafknCtQ2Zz5-7VikHspR/view?ts=6144acf4>

BACKPACK SAFETY

Teachers have been asked to send home Chromebooks on occasion so that students have a chance to practice virtual learning skills. The Chromebook creates a heavier backpack. We have been reducing the weight of the backpacks by keeping workbooks at school. Let your teacher know if the backpacks become too heavy!



Habit 2: *Begin with the End in Mind*

What does *Beginning with the End in Mind* look like at school?

- What do I want to do when I grow up?
- What do I want to learn about today (project work)?
- Making a plan during center time
 - What do I want to accomplish?
 - Where do I want to work/play?

What does *Beginning with the End in Mind* look like at home?

- Setting a personal goal:
 - Having a "Green" day
 - Learning to put on my shoes on the correct feet
 - Learning to get dressed by myself
 - Learning to brush my teeth by myself
- Identifying the goal so I can plan what we need
 - Examples:
 - ◻ Following a recipe
 - ◻ Making a project (bird house)
 - ◻ Building a fort, gathering supplies before starting



FAIRHOPE
Junior Auxiliary
Crown of Character Honorees



Each quarter the local Junior Auxiliary honors 5th graders for excellent character. Congratulations!

- Sadie Michels
- Olivia Fonseca
- Ellie Kate Breaux

- Ella Claire Brenizer
- Rosie Weems
- Helen Hapworth