

Week of February 21, 2022



News to Know

Dear WJM Parent/Guardian,

February has been a busy month of celebrating! Thank you for supporting our recognition of reading through Read across Mitchell, Spirit week celebrations and our first ReadAthon! In addition, we appreciate your support in celebrating Mr. Berchtold, PTO & PBIS Kindness initiatives, and Black History. Last Friday our 4th grade students presented their Black History Traveling Museum to other grade levels throughout the building. They did a great job bringing their characters to life! This week, we celebrate Presidents' Day as schools are closed on Monday, February 21.



We are looking forward to a great week of learning. As always, if you need anything, please do not hesitate to give us a call or send us an email. Have a great week!

Go Bulldogs! Nicholas Adam, Principal Ashley Valenzuela-Carrington, Vice Principal



Mr. Adam, Mrs. Carrington, and Mr. Berchtold are scheduled to be <u>TAPED</u> to the wall on February 25! We are asking for <u>duct tape</u> donations throughout the week!

Fifth Grade Parents/Guardians

As a way to update student records and ensure attendance in the proper school zones, Charles County Public Schools requires all students entering **sixth** and ninth grades to provide **two proofs of domicile** to their current school of enrollment from the approved list. Parents will have the option to upload proofs using the Online Registration through their ParentVue account, or by e-mailing Ms. Gomez at dgomez@ccboe.com **no later than April 11, 2022.** dgomez@ccboe.com **no later than**

Important Dates to Remember

- February 21 Presidents' Day Schools & Offices closed
- February 28 Interims Issued
- March 1 PTO Spirit Night at Texas Roadhouse, La Plata
- March 2 2-hour early dismissal
- March 12 CCPS H.I.T.S Expo
- March 13 Spring forward Daylight Savings Time
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day (School Spirit Day: Wear Green)

- March 20 First Day of spring
- March 23 2-hour early dismissal
- March 25 Maryland Day 🎇 (School Spirit Day: Wear Maryland Gear or Colors)
- March 26 Special Education Expo CLICK HERE to register!
- March 18 2-hour early dismissal; 4th Qtr. Begins

Quick Links to access information

- **CLICK HERE** for CCPS Inclement Weather Information.
- CLICK HERE to view the Standard Operating Procedures for CCPS.
- CLICK HERE to access the updated prescreening questionnaire.
- **CLICK HERE** to view the Covid Quarantine Protocol for CCPS.

Celebrating Black History Month!

The history of black doctors and nurses have played a vital role as healers to their communities. CLICK HERE to read about Pioneers in Healthcare!



Fourth Grade's Annual Black History Museum Pictures







Community Connections

PTO PIZZA HOTLINE NIGHT

The Mitchell PTO and Pizza Hotline have teamed up to host school spirit nights on the following dates.

March 16



May 18





Scan this QR code with your nartphone camera





We welcomed Ms. Jeannine E. James, Mayor, Town of La Plata, to Mitchell on February 17 to meet with our fourth grade students and teachers!

Mayor James announced that the "If I Were Mayor, I would..." essay contest is back this year!! We're excited to continue our long-standing tradition, educating Maryland's fourth-graders on how municipal government works and the role of the Mayor. This year's theme is: Celebrating the Soul of Maryland.



Congratulations to Mr. Margolis on his nomination for **Washington Post's Maryland Teacher of the Year!** Mr. Margolis will be recognized for his *excellence in teaching* this week at St. Charles High School! CCPS will announce the winner after this reception. Good luck Mr. Margolis!

February's Character Trait

This month's character trait is Compassion and is represented by the chimpanzee. Compassion is caring enough to do something about someone else's needs. How can you show friends and family you care for them?

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