

Pathways Elementary Weekly Announcements

Week of February 21, 2022

- The MEGA Blast event will take place this Thursday, February 24th. Please ensure that your child wears socks on this day due to the inflatables. It may even be a good idea to bring an extra pair of socks in the event they get wet/dirty.
- The Spring Book Fair starts Friday Feb. 25th through Friday March 4th. Students will shop during their Media Special Area. Please note that the Book Fair will not be open before or after school. We are always in need of approved volunteers to help with our book fair. If you would like to volunteer, please sign up using the link below.

[Pathways Book Fair Volunteer Sign-Up](#)

[Pathways Book Fair Information](#)

[Pathways Book Fair eWallet](#)



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New digital payment option for our book fair. Visit our school's fair homepage to create or manage your eWallets.

bookfairs.scholastic.com

Unused ewallet funds will roll over to the Scholastic Online Store or to the next Book Fair.

- It's not too early to start thinking about summer VPK programs. The School District of Volusia County will provide a free Voluntary Prekindergarten Program this summer for families of incoming kindergartners who have not taken advantage of the state's free Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Program. Registration begins on Tuesday, March 1 at the student's home zoned school during early registration between the hours 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The following elementary school sites may be selected during registration: George Marks (DeLand); Read-Pattillo (New Smyrna Beach); Spirit (Deltona), and Westside (Daytona Beach). The program will operate 4-days per week, Monday through Thursday, beginning Monday, June 13 to Thursday, August 4. School hours are scheduled for 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Although breakfast and lunch are served free to all children, transportation is not provided. To participate, a child must be 5 years-old on or before September 1, 2022; be a resident of Volusia County; and have a current, valid Summer 2021 Certificate of Eligibility from the Early Learning Coalition of Flagler and Volusia Counties – (386) 323-2400, (386) 736-5010 or www.elcfv.org. For more information, call (386) 734-7190, 255-6475, 427-5223 or 860-3322, extension 20505, or visit the school district's website at <https://www.vcsedu.org/VPK> on the left, under menu choose Voluntary Prekindergarten Summer.

- Thank you to those who have submitted a “lollipop moment.” Is there someone at Pathways who has made a positive difference in your child’s life? Let us not let those who have made a positive impact walk around without knowing it. These moments are called “lollipop moments.” Below is a link to a TED Talk regarding lollipop moments. If you have a lollipop moment, I encourage you to email me at jdjackso@volusia.k12.fl.us. We will present that staff member with a certificate, your email, a large lollipop, and a chance to win a \$100.00 gift card, courtesy of one of our community partners, Oasis Church.

Everyday leadership (Drew Dudley | TEDxToronto 2010)

https://www.ted.com/talks/drew_dudley_everyday_leadership?utm_source=tedcomshare&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=tedsread

- Reminder that our school day begins at 7:50a.m. The west gate will now close promptly at 7:50, students arriving after this time will need to go to the front office and receive a late pass. Please work with us on getting your child(ren) to school on time.
- Parent Drop Off and Pick Up Families: We ask that you be courteous and patient with other families during parent drop off and pick up ensuring that everyone zipper merges into the single lane. Also, please do not park in unauthorized areas outside of school when waiting for your students. We have had calls from our neighbors letting us know that sidewalks and driveways are being blocked. Finally, there is concern about our walkers when they are trying to go around vehicles and getting in harm’s way.
- There are several items accumulating in our Lost & Found Area. Has your child lost a jacket, lunch box or any other personal item? Please have them check the Lost & Found area which is on the stage in the cafeteria at their lunch time for any items lost. All items will be kept on the stage until Spring Break. At which time any items left will be donated to charity.
- Our clinic needs clothing for our smallest Patriots. If you would care to donate, we need both boys and girls under garments and bottoms. Also, sweatpants are ideal for both boys and girls. We appreciate your continued generosity for our students.
- For those wanting to chaperone field trips and/or volunteer, you will need to complete the volunteer process on a yearly basis after June 30th of the previous school year. Please email our volunteer coordinator Mrs. Leep at gileep@volusia.k12.fl.us for assistance. If you would like to volunteer in a classroom, please reach out directly to your child’s teacher.