

**VPE PTA  
Meeting -  
Principal  
Report**

**Thursday, October 8th  
7:00 pm**

# Wags...VPE Therapy Dog

Wags has been lonely at VPE each day without students in the building. She has been walking the halls each morning to check in with the teachers. Wags has even made visits to classroom Zooms to catch up with the kids she is missing!



# Talk with Caulk

Dear Fayette County Public Schools Families:

Thank you for all you are doing to support your children and keep them engaged in learning. I am committed to ensuring you have accurate and timely information about what's happening in our school district.

COVID-19 has disrupted our normal operations in so many ways and I recognize that we need to find new and more frequent ways to communicate. To provide an additional avenue for sharing information with our families, staff and community at large, we are launching a weekly video program called Talks with Caulk.

With each episode, I will share news from across our district and highlight information you need to know about upcoming dates, important events or frequently asked questions we receive.

I hope you will find our debut episode helpful and informative:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9v\\_9OKHnj5Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9v_9OKHnj5Y)

Your Partner,

Manny Caulk, Fayette County Public Schools Superintendent

# October Events:

- VPE Book Fair - Online - October 5-18
- First Friday of the Month - Friday October 9th VPE Spirit Day
  - Share Pics with Jessica Ault @ [jessica.ault@fayette.kyschools.us](mailto:jessica.ault@fayette.kyschools.us)
- Reflections - Due Wednesday, October 21st
- SBDM Meeting - Tuesday, October 13 @ 3:00 via Zoom - <https://fcps-net.zoom.us/j/93540911138>
- Red Ribbon Week - October 26-30
- Virtual Book Character Day - October 30
- Fall Conferences:
  - October until November 6th

# Building Updates

- Secure Vestibule - Construction Underway & set to complete the week of October 23rd



# Building Updates Cont...

- PTA Paver Project - Pavers completed and this week cement was poured by the district to finish the project



# Building Updates Cont...

- Food Meals - Every Monday/Wednesday from 11:00-1:00
  - Using Car Lot for Pick-Up during Construction
  - All meals free for any child under the age of 18
- Library Book - Pick Up/Drop Off
  - Request made through Destiny Quest
- October SPIRIT Project - Letter Drop Off
  - Box outside for drop off
- Reflections Drop Off @ VPE
- Hot Spots - All Requests Fill & Awaiting Pick Up from Families

# VPE Bookfair

You're invited to shop our Scholastic Book Fair online from **October 5-18!** All purchases benefit our school and connect kids with new books, favorite characters, complete series, and more.

You'll love the NEW option to shop for **Book Fair exclusives** directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy these special online shopping features:

- Over 6,000 items, including new releases, best sellers, and value packs
- All orders ship **direct to home**
- **FREE shipping** on book-only orders over \$25\*
- All purchases **support our school** and earn 25% in rewards

Visit our Book Fair Homepage and click "Shop Now" to get started:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/vpebookfair>



# First Friday of the Month...

This upcoming month on Friday, October 9th we will be celebrating the “First Friday of the Month” by wearing red/white/blue and VPE Spirit gear. Please join in on our spirit day and share your “VPE Spirit” photos with us by emailing [Jessica.ault@fayette.kyschools.us](mailto:Jessica.ault@fayette.kyschools.us) Please note by sharing photos you agree to them being posted in VPE social media and/or the VPE yearbook.

# Reflections Contest @ Home...

Do you enjoy art, music and dance or have an interest in writing, producing films and taking photos? Then join us and have fun unleashing your inner artist with PTA Reflections! This year's theme, "I Matter Because..." calls for your own unique interpretation through the arts. Submission and entry form are due by Wednesday, October 21, 2020. There will be a bin for non-digital entries (visual art and literature) in front of school on October 21 until 5:00pm. Digital entries (dance, film, music, photography and literature) can be sent to [vpe.pta.reflections@gmail.com](mailto:vpe.pta.reflections@gmail.com). For inspiration, visit the Reflections virtual art gallery and learn more about prizes and scholarships at [PTA.org/Reflections/Awards](https://PTA.org/Reflections/Awards). The [entry form](#) has all the information you need to complete your project, but if you have additional questions, please contact Justine Dziubla at [vpe.pta.reflections@gmail.com](mailto:vpe.pta.reflections@gmail.com).

# Red Ribbon Week

## Red Ribbon Week Spirit Days



October 26th – 30th

Be Happy. Be Brave. Be Drug Free

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Be Happy! Be Brave! Be Drug Free! Kick off red ribbon week!</p>  <p>Wear RED</p>	<p>Be Happy! From head to toe, I'm drug free!</p>  <p>Wear crazy hair &amp; socks</p>	<p>Be Brave! Be a Patriot! Show your VPE spirit to be drug free!</p>  <p>Wear VPE spirit wear or Red, White, &amp; Blue</p>	<p>Be Brave! Show your VPE superhero powers!</p>  <p>Wear a cape</p>	<p>Be Happy! Celebrate our love of reading!</p> 

# Real Men Read Initiative

**R.E.A.L. READ is a program based on a simple idea: Every child needs a mentor, and something meaningful happens when volunteers from our community share their love for reading. Reading mentors inspire our students to build literacy skills. In response to COVID19, each month for the duration of the school year, volunteers will record a read aloud from engaging fiction that features main characters and plots that demonstrate creative problem-solving and resiliency, and from non-fiction that include biographies of inspirational figures and celebrate inclusion and strong values. After mentors read the book, all of the students receive their own copy to share with their family and friends.**

**We know our students need more resources and tools at home to support their learning in this new abnormal. Our elementary students need REAL Read books in their hands.**

# Real Men Read Cont...

## VirtuREAL Read

**R.E.A.L. Read, now VirtuREAL Read because of social distancing. This free enrichment opportunity will help children in grades K-5 stay engaged and grow their independent reading skills. Virtual is engaging in life-like connections via a learning platform that many of us are now very familiar – by synchronous & asynchronous learning (watching a video on demand or listening to a podcast) much like audiobooks. Instead of being in the classroom while the volunteer is reading, students will be listening or watching them at home and following along with their books. VirtuReal can help students grow their independent reading skills, remain engaged, and they can listen anytime, anywhere, and as much as they want for free. We will provide four books per grade level for each student and links to podcasts and YouTube videos on our district webpage [\*\*www.fcps.net/realread\*\*](http://www.fcps.net/realread)**

# Self- Reporting Positive Covid Results

As of Sept. 28, 2020, [Emergency Regulation 902 KAR 2:220E](#) requires families to notify their child's school within 24 hours of learning the child has tested positive for COVID-19. FCPS employees who test positive must also inform the district. Fayette County Public Schools has established a COVID-19 Hotline for processing these notifications, which must be submitted to the Kentucky Department for Public Health. The hotline is open Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Please choose one of these three ways to alert FCPS:

- Call (859) 381-FCPS (3277),
- [Email the COVID-19 Hotline to request a follow-up phone call to report the details, or](#)
- [Submit your name and phone number via this online form.](#)

Families and staff may also [email the COVID-19 team](#) for follow-up phone contact to gather additional information or to address any questions. To offer COVID-19 related feedback, please [email the superintendent and the school board](#).

# Targeted Support

- Start Date - October 19th
- KDE/FCPS Regulations for Implementation
  - 15% of Building Capacity
- Days/Times
  - Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday
  - Not During Core Instruction
  - Bus Only Available from 2-4
- Requirements:
  - Students in Special Education only allowed 2 days with max of 2 hours per day
  - Students without Special Education Identification allowed up to 4 days with a max of 2 hours per day
- VPE Focus
  - Special Education Students (Who meet the district requirements)
  - English Language Learners (Who need to complete district/state screeners & assessment)
  - Mental Health/Counseling Support

# Hybrid Model

- **AA-C-BB Schedule**
  - **Students Split Based on Households & Diversity by FCPS**
  - **15:1 Ratio Max**
  - **Sample Schedule**
    - **AA- In Person Learning / C-NTI-2DL All / BB - At Home Learning**
- **Safety Requirements Established & Enforced @ School**
- **School Start Time Adjustment - 7:35-2:25 (shifted 10 minutes earlier)**
  - **Bus Arrival & Doors Open @ 7:05 am**



# Hybrid Model Cont.

- **Parent Survey**
  - **Stay Virtual or Return to Hybrid**
  - **Please complete for each student enrolled in FCPS**
- **VPE will evaluate numbers for both to determine next steps and communicate what that will look like as soon as the board decision has been made.**

# Healthy & Safe Return

Video Link:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1\\_JXbpVWa4b4oCZvl6m-TPTEJAYIQV1zN/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_JXbpVWa4b4oCZvl6m-TPTEJAYIQV1zN/view?usp=sharing)

Questions???