



# WEEKLY COMMUNICATION

Friday September 21, 2018

# DO YOU KNOW ANYONE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A STEAM STUDENT NEXT YEAR?

Our Application Window is currently open for 2019-2020 and closes October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018!

Consideration will also be given to incoming 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> graders. If you would like to apply for a sibling of a current STEAM student you must still complete the online application for them to be considered in the lottery! Here is the link to apply: <https://dna.fcps.net/SpecProgApp/login>

# SCHOOL FEES

School Fee invoices were sent home with your student last week. You may write one check for all fees. Make the check payable to STEAM Academy. ALL checks should be turned in to your student's advisory teacher. Please do not send checks to the office or to Mrs. O'Rourke. You should have access to the fees tab in Infinite Campus if you did not receive the invoice.

**If your student is free or reduced lunch you must complete the fee waiver form that was included with the beginning of the year paperwork.** Your student will be charged for school fees and field trips if we do not have that form on file. Email [Mitzie.orourke@Fayette.kyschools.us](mailto:Mitzie.orourke@Fayette.kyschools.us) if you need a fee waiver form sent home with your student. The list of students that qualify for free fees should be updated by Fayette County Public School October 1st.

# BCTC News

Check out the link below for an awesome story on the STEAM/BCTC Campus. We are so proud of the great things the students are doing.

[STEAM/BCTC Story on FCPS Website](#)

# Senior Pictures

Senior pictures will occur on September 28, 2018 on the BCTC Campus. All seniors on the 6th Street Campus will be transported to the BCTC Campus by bus. Students need to make sure they are present this day as there will not be senior retakes. Those will have to be made on your own time at Holified Studios.

Boys need to make sure you wear a white T-Shirt under your shirt and girls need to make sure you wear a Black tank top (no racerback) so that it can be worn underneath the drape. Jewelry will be provided for girls if needed.



**As of 9/21/2018**  
 Daily Average Attendance  
 96%



9th	Grade	96%
10th	Grade	98%
11th	Grade	92%
12th	Grade	96%

Parents thank you for making your child's school attendance a priority! At STEAM Academy we want to partner with you to make every effort possible to help your child succeed.

Remember — every day counts!

# DRIVER'S PERMIT VERIFICATION FORM

Mrs. O'Rourke, Registrar, is your contact for the driver's verification form to obtain a driver's permit. Your student must be pass 4 of 6 six classes the previous semester of school and have less than 9 unexcused absences to receive this form. These are also the requirements to retain a permit/license until the student is 18 or graduates.

Parents complete and sign the top box of the form, then Mrs. O'Rourke signs, dates, stamps and makes a copy of the completed form.

At the end of each semester Mrs. O'Rourke runs a report that specifies which students are not in compliance according the their grades and attendance. She then reports that to the state. Students not in compliance will have their license suspended.

# CANVAS PARENT APP

Update: Canvas Message from Fayette County Public Schools

## Parent Access Not Working ✕



Parent access to Canvas is not working at this time for either the app or Observer role. We are currently working to resolve the issue.

This is a message for **Fayette County Public Schools**

Message from Ms. Rosen

Parents and Guardians: some changes have been made to the Parent Canvas App and how you would access observing your student's Canvas information. Ms. Rosen, our School Technology Coordinator is currently working on this with district staff and as soon as it is made available more information will be shared out. In the meantime this would be a great opportunity to sit down with your student and have them log onto their Chromebook and walk you through Canvas and their courses and have discussion about each of their courses. Every student has access to Canvas through their Chromebooks and have logged on daily. If your student indicates to you that they cannot log on to their Chromebook or Canvas please contact Ashley Rosen, School Technology Coordinator via email at [ashley.rosen@fayette.kyschools.us](mailto:ashley.rosen@fayette.kyschools.us)



# PTSA KROGER REWARDS

How to enroll in in Kroger Community Rewards to support STEAM Academy PTSA

[Instructions Here](#)

STEAM Academy PTSA is organization - MV149

# English 1 Presents: Villain's Quest Storytelling Event at The Parachute Factory

STEAM Academy's English 1 class presents "Villain's Quest," a Literature Contest and Storytelling Event at the Parachute Factory on September 27. Students who apply for the contest will have a chance to win prizes, and if your story is picked, students have the option to read it aloud at the event. Narratives must be at least 500 words and cannot exceed 1500 words. The story cannot take more than 10 minutes to read aloud. The event is open to students & parents from Mrs. Patrick's class and any students/parents who submit a story for the event. There will be free food.

If your child is interested in applying for the contest, please have them submit their stories here by the end of the day Monday: <https://goo.gl/forms/gnjrRmZKFFBe8ccL2>

If you attend, please bring a cushion/chair to sit on.

“FALL FESTIVAL”

IT'S COMING SOON!

1. Plan to help
2. Plan to be there
3. Plan to tell others
4. Plan to be involved

# PTSA REQUEST FOR FALL FESTIVAL

Hello Parents!

The PTSA is once again supporting our Fall Festival. We had such a great success last year that this year will be even bigger and better. To make things easier this year, we have put together an Amazon wish list. If you can help at all we would appreciate it. We would also welcome gift cards or monetary donations of that makes more sense for you.

Please have all donations to the school no later than 9/28/2018 so that we can use the to purchase what is left on the list. Please have any purchased items delivered to the school by 10/3/2018. (If you want to send this directly to the school through Amazon, that would be easiest, You could put it to the attention of the PTSA.)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me at [steamacademyptsa@gmail.com](mailto:steamacademyptsa@gmail.com)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0448abac22a6f49-fall>

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/dkbgbbp>

Thanks!

Sarah Barrett  
STEAM Academy PTSA President

# SENIOR TRIP

All seniors are invited to join us for the annual Senior Trip to St. Louis! It's an exciting 4 day trip, and we strive to make the trip affordable for everyone with multiple fundraisers. Attached is a detailed informational flyer about payment dates and a tentative itinerary for the trip. If any parent/student needs additional information, please email [geralyn.strange@fayette.kyschools.us](mailto:geralyn.strange@fayette.kyschools.us).

\*\*The trip dates were intentionally set so that students taking BCTC classes would not miss any college classes. Information on final departure and return times will be sent at a later date.

# Technology Student Association

TSA is off to a great start. Students in attendance continued deciding on their competitive choice for regionals and we had a quick problem solving challenge. Looking forward to seeing who's chip makes it through the mail.

Please have your child contact me if they wish to be a TSA member, or they can simply stay after school on Thursday's from 2:45 - 3:45 to participate. Annual membership dues \$20.00 per student.

[gary.deborde@fayette.kyschools.us](mailto:gary.deborde@fayette.kyschools.us)

# UK Biobonanza

**Biobonanza** is an event hosted by the biology department featuring students and professors from biology, entomology, forestry, and human health sciences. Your students can interact with real scientists and learn about a wide range of topics including photosynthesis, adaptation, regeneration, wildlife conservation, and more!

Please see the flyer in the weekly communication folder

# Student Voice Team

The Student Voice Team will work with other students, grades 9-12, and adult leaders at STEAM to share student perspectives on matters related to instructional, emotional and social experiences at STEAM Academy. If you are chosen to be on the team you will facilitate meetings with your peers and share out the voices and opinions of your peers to make decisions to better our STEAM community. Applications are available here: (You must have a Fayette County Email to access) <http://bit.ly/18-19STEAMSVT>



# PTSA

Hello Parents,

We are in a unique situation to play an active and key role in our children's education. STEAM not only allows but encourages us all to have a voice in the continuing development of this amazing school. This is a fantastic opportunity to make your voice heard!

The STEAM Advisory Council is seeking one parent representatives for a two-year term. A nominating form is attached and should be turned in to the front office at the STEAM Academy or emailed to [steamacademyptsa@gmail.com](mailto:steamacademyptsa@gmail.com) by September 25 th , 2018.

Thank you in advance for your time and interest!

Sarah Barrett, PTSA President

# STAC MEETING DATES

Day of the Week	Date
Tuesday	August 28
Monday	September 17
Monday	October 15
Monday	November 12
Monday	December10
Monday	January 14
Monday	February 4
Monday	March 4
Monday	April 15
Monday	May 13
Monday	June 3