

Route 40 Elementary School

Jacqueline Hawkins, Principal

January 10, 2025

"Even the strongest blizzards start with a single snowflake." — Sara Raasch



Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, January 30, 2025.

Please use the form below to set up your conference time. Please keep in mind that we try our best to accommodate everyone's time preferences, times are based on your timestamp answer. If you have any questions, please call the school.



Route 40 Elementary-Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, January 30, 2025 from 11:00 am - 6:30 pm.

Conferences will last approximately 15 minutes.

We will do our best to accommodate all time preferences, but conferences will be assigned based on the time stamp of your response.

Please complete this Google Form no later than Friday, January 17, 2025

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* Indicates required question

Benefit Dinner for Mrs. Shannon Miller

Mrs. Miller retired from Route 40 last year, she had 30 years with GCPS. Mrs. Miller taught PK at RT 40 and touched many young lives. She was recently diagnosed with a rare form of cancer, Cardiac Amyloidosis. Our school Parent Involvement Team (PIT) is holding a Benefit Dinner on January 26th, 12:00pm-4:00pm. We are collecting items for a raffle, if you want donate please drop the items off to the school by Friday, January 24th. We hope that you will come out and show Mrs. Miller all the love and support she deserves.

BENEFIT DINNER FOR SHANNON MILLER

SUNDAY,
JANUARY 26
12PM - 4PM

ROUTE 40
SCHOOL



BAKED
POTATO BAR

DESSERTS

BASKET
RAFFLE

COME OUT AND ENJOY A MEAL AND BASKET RAFFLE TO HELP SUPPORT SHANNON WITH HER MEDICAL NEEDS. SHANNON WAS DIAGNOSED WITH A RARE FORM OF CANCER - CARDIAC AMYLOIDOSIS. ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO DIRECTLY TO HER. MEAL IS DONATION BASED. CHECKS AND CASH DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED THE DAY OF OR CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN ADVANCE AT ROUTE 40 SCHOOL. YOU CAN ALSO VENMO MONEY.

DONATE NOW

VENMO: @bigskyblooms

Changes to Transportation

Please remember that if there are ANY changes to your students transportation, you must send a note in with your child or call the school at 301-689-6132, please make sure that you speak to someone, do not leave a message. If the phones are down, the messages don't always come through until later. **We ask that you please DO NOT email Mrs. Bolden or your child's teacher with the change, we may not see the email in time.** If you have questions please contact Mrs. Bolden.



Absences

The GCPS handbook states that if your child is absent for any reason, a note explaining the absence should be sent in within three (3) days of the absence. Their attendance will be coded accordingly.

Parent Volunteers Needed

Parent volunteers are a vital part of our school routine. We host a regular work session to help prepare supplies on Thursday afternoons from 1:00 – 3:00. If Thursdays don't align to your schedule, please feel free to call and set up another time to join us. We value the assistance volunteers can provide to our educational program.



Recess

As a reminder we still try to take the students out for some fresh air during the winter months. If the temperatures are above 32 degrees we will attempt to out. Please have your students wear a jacket and maybe gloves and hats.

Box Tops

Please consider using the Box Tops app to scan in your receipts and help earn our school extra funds.



Weekly Breakfast & Lunch Menu



<div>13</div> <div>Grilled Cheese Sandwich or Chicken Nuggets Broccoli Peaches Baby Carrots</div> <div>Whole Grain Muffin, Cereal, Raisins, Grape Juice, Milk</div>	<div>14</div> <div>Rib Patty or Pizza Fresh Vegetables Pears Italian Ice</div> <div>Breakfast Bites, Cereal, Applesauce Cup, Orange Juice, Milk</div>	<div>15</div> <div>Pancakes & Sausage Patties or Chicken Patty Sandwich Tater Tots Applesauce Cup Juice Cup</div> <div>Super Bun, Cereal, Banana, Peach Cup, Milk</div>	<div>16</div> <div>Beef Ravioli or Corn Dog Tossed Salad Orange Wedges Corn</div> <div>Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Mandarin Orange Cup, Fruit Juice, Milk</div>	<div>17</div> <div>Hot Dog or Pizza French Fries Mixed Fruit Baked Beans</div> <div>Sweet Potato Swirl, Cereal, Strawberry Cup, Apple Juice, Milk</div>
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JANUARY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Winter Break Schools Closed	2 Schools reopen	3 PBIS Assembly 8:45 am	4
5	6	7	8 Grades 4 & 5 to HEEC	9	10	11
12	13	14 BOE Meeting	15	16	17 12:15 Dismissal Staff Development	18
19	20 Schools Closed Martin Luther King Jr Day	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Schools Closed Parent Teacher Conferences 11:00am – 6:30pm	31 End of Term 2	

Upcoming Events

JANUARY HAPPENINGS:

January 8th - Grades 4 & 5 to Hickory

January 17th - 12:15 Dismissal - Staff Development

January 20th - ** Schools Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day **

January 30th - Parent/Teacher Conferences 11:00am-6:30pm

January 31st - End of Term 2

FEBRUARY HAPPENINGS:

February 2nd: PTO Meeting 3:00pm

February 3rd: 91st Day 12:15 dismissal (floating day) * this date has changed!

February 4th: PBIS Assembly 2:30pm

February 7th: PTO Family Movie Night, 7:00pm

February 14th: 12:15 dismissal, Staff Development

February 17th: ** Schools Closed, President's Day **



Michele Bolden

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