



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SFES?

JANUARY

WINTER BAND & STRINGS CONCERT

JANUARY 12, 7:00pm

This program will be held at SFES. All families are invited to join us for an instrumental extravaganza performed by our 3rd, 4th & 5th graders.

ART NIGHT WITH THE PTA

JANUARY 19, 6 – 8:00pm

Art Night is a celebration of students who participated in the Reflections program and other student artists of distinction. Students receive awards and their artwork is displayed throughout the school.

COUNCIL OF THE ELDERS/BLACK STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

JANUARY 26, 7:00pm

All are invited to come to a celebration of academic excellence for our 4th and 5th grade students. Arrive at Hammond High School by 6:30pm for seating.

UNHEARD PERSPECTIVES-BLACK HISTORY EXPO PRESENTATIONS

JANUARY 31, 8:00 – 8:45 AM

Parents, students and teachers are invited to join in the Media Center for in-school Black History Expo Presentations. The students have been working hard this school year researching a famous black innovator and are looking forward to sharing what they have learned with the school community.

FEBRUARY

PTA FAMILY BINGO

FEBRUARY 3, 6:30-8:30pm

Come to the Other Barn in the Oakland Mills Village Center. Families can bring dinner, play BINGO and win cool prizes. This is another opportunity to meet together with other SFES families and have fun!

HCPSS UNHEARD PERSPECTIVES BLACK HISTORY MONTH EXPO

FEBRUARY 11, SNOW DATE FEBRUARY 25

8:00 Registration; 8:50 Start Time; 12:30 Awards

~On January 31 you got to see SFES students present their hard work. Now parents and student participants in grades 3-5 are invited to gather at Guilford Elementary School to view presentations from across the county! Students researched letters, songs, interviews, pictures, maps, newspaper articles, biographies and much more, to answer the question, "Which African American innovator has had a significant impact on your life?" Winners will be awarded gold, silver or bronze certificates. Be there to cheer on SFES!

FAMILY VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE

FEBRUARY 14, 6 – 8:00pm

The PTA will be hosting a brand new event – a dance to show our love for SFES and the families that make up our community. Everyone is encouraged to come enjoy some light refreshments and dance the night away!

FEBRUARY (continued)

PreK & KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

FEBRUARY 27 -MARCH 3

~If you have a child who will be 4 years old by September 1, 2017 you may fill out an application in the front office to see if your child is-eligible for our 2017-2018 PreK program.

~If you have a child who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2017, be sure to visit the front office and register them for the 2017-2018 school year. Road to Kindergarten Workshops are also available with detailed information about the curriculum, kindergarten process and question and answer sessions. For dates, times and locations for these workshops visit

<http://www.hcpss.org/schools/kindergarten/registration>

OR www.facebook.com/HoCo.road.to.kindergarten

MARCH

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

MARCH 9 & 10

This is an important time to meet with your child's teacher so you can hear about their progress and ways to help them excel in school. You will review your child's academic goals and have an opportunity to provide feedback on the SFES Parent/Teacher/Student Compact. Information on the MAP and PARCC assessments will also be shared.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

MARCH 9 & 10, ALL DAY

A fun event for the kids to come together, during the school day, for a good cause. Look for more information to come home soon in your child's folder.

PTA INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

MARCH 16, 6:00 – 8:00pm

The SFES community is proud of the diverse cultures represented in our school. Let's celebrate our diversity! Join us at SFES to celebrate our diversity with cultural food and performances, as well as booths highlighting the countries of our students' heritage. Families are invited to share their culture/stories from their country. More information to follow.

APRIL

FAMILY SCIENCE NIGHT

APRIL 26, 6:00 – 8:00pm

Chemistry – Look Alike Liquids

Parents and children of all grades, come for an amazing night of science! The Maryland Science Center is going to bring some wonderful experiments and activities for you and your child to explore. Don't miss out on the fun!

Transportation/childcare/interpreters available upon request

PTA DINNER & AUCTION

APRIL 28, 6:00 - 8:30pm

Gather with other families at SFES for dinner and an auction serving as our biggest fundraiser for the PTA. Items to bid on may include Disney Park tickets, restaurant gift certificates, special events with our staff and teachers and more - you name it; we've got it! Get great deals while supporting our school.

MAY

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

MAY ~ 1:00 PM ...DATE TBD

Come visit our Kindergarten classrooms! Incoming kindergarteners will get a chance to meet the teachers and do activities in the classrooms while parents receive information in the Media Center about getting ready for Kindergarten. This quick visit will put parents' and children's minds at ease. ☺

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

MAY 1 – 5

During Staff Appreciation Week, parents and students celebrate the talents and hard work of the SFES staff. The PTA provides daily treats for teachers and also provides the hugely popular flower sale. And all volunteers are welcome. Look for more information to come.

SPRING BOOK FAIR

MAY 8 - 12

Students shop during school ~ Parents can shop May 10, 5:30-8:00pm

~Prepare for summer reading and add to your collection of books at home with our "Buy One Get One Free" Book Fair. This is a wonderful opportunity to get twice the books for half the price! A percentage of the funds go to helping SFES in many different ways.

FAMILY FITNESS NIGHT

MAY 9, 6:00 – 8:00pm

Parents and children in all grades, come for a fun-filled night of activities that will keep you hopping! Get moving as a family and learn new ways to promote exercise at home.

NIGHT OF EXCELLENCE

MAY 18, 6:30 – 8:00pm

Come see the wonderful things your child has done this year! Each classroom will have a display of various projects to show off all of their hard work and talent. Students involved in GT Curriculum Extension Units and Instructional Seminars will have their work on display in the Media Center

FIELD DAY

MAY 26, ALL DAY ~ Rain date JUNE 2

Field Day is an exciting day for all SFES students! A lot of organization is involved with this event, so all volunteers are welcomed. Information on how you can help will be sent out a month prior to Field Day.

5TH GRADE SIMULATED CONGRESSIONAL HEARING

MAY 31

Students become experts on the constitution and use the information they learned to testify before a panel of judges.

May 30 –Several volunteers are needed at 3:30 to help decorate for this wonderful educational event.

May 31 - A few volunteers are needed to escort children/speakers to proper areas. Additional volunteers are needed to set up and maintain the luncheon for visitors that day. **Please contact the 5th grade teachers if you are able to help.**

JUNE

SPRING BAND & STRINGS CONCERT

June 1, 7:00pm

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FOR MORE DETAILS ON ANY OF THE ABOVE PROGRAMS, FEEL FREE TO CALL US AT 410-313-6900