

Weekly Memos – November 20, 2017



STAR 360 Window

Reminder: The window for the Universal Screener (STAR 360) will be open **January 9 – January 25** for the 2nd benchmark. All students PK - 12 will need to take the benchmark.



2017-18 Growth and Achievement Measure Selection Window Extended

Audience: Chiefs

The department is extending the deadline for 2017-18 growth and achievement measure selections to **Dec 1**. To access the editable 2017-18 achievement measure worksheet, visit the TEAM website [here](#). With questions, reach out to TEAM.Questions@tn.gov.



Reminding Seniors to File The FAFSA

Audience: HS Counselors

Tennessee students ranked first in the nation for FAFSA completion last year, and we want to top those numbers again this year. FAFSA completion has been a challenge in many places, as freshmen entering college this fall left \$2.3 billion in financial aid on the table by not filling out the FAFSA. Students must file the FAFSA to receive federal grants, federal student loans, work-study, and, in some cases, state and university grants. Visit the TN Promise website for FAFSA deadlines or contact Ms. Dixie Spencer, the TNReady coordinator at Fayette-Ware with questions.



2017-18 Science and Social Studies TVAAS

Audience: Chiefs, Educators

Due to the reduction in length of the 2017-18 social studies and science assessments in grades 3 and 4, no TVAAS data will be available for those grades and subjects for 2017-18. Science and social studies TVAAS data will continue to be available for grades 5-8 at the teacher, school, and district levels moving forward.



Electronic Transcripts Utilized

Audience: All

College application season is in full swing, and this exciting time for students and families can be especially busy for the counselors who process the hundreds of transcript requests that come across their desks. To help make this process easier and faster, FCPS utilizes a free, secure electronic document transfer service that allows the uploading of supporting application documents to colleges and universities. Once an account has been created, counselors, teachers and others involved in the application process will have a centralized location to manage each applicant's profile and admission documents. This will simplify the application process while providing privacy and security.



Community Creates Outdoor Space at the Eagle's Nest

The Eagles of Southwest will have a new place to roost- a beautiful outdoor lunch pad! With generous time and material donated by West TN Ready Mix and Serenity Hardscapes and labor provided by the local Boy Scouts, the Eagle Lunch Pad is taking shape and will be ready for use soon. This community is demonstrating service to the utmost!



Food Services Uses Creative Means to Enhance Student Menu

Students, prepare to be wowed in the cafeteria! Food Service is starting a new initiative to enhance recipes and create new menu selections for students. Director of Food Services, Dasie Gilcrest, stepped into the kitchen and took the helm to demonstrate a lesson for food service personnel on innovative ways to prepare tasty new dishes.



Foreign Exchange Program Enriches Student Life

Student life at Fayette-Ware has been enriched this semester with the addition of three exchange students. Justin Kim, visiting from South Korea, enjoys playing the clarinet and has joined the marching Wildcat band. Elena Roatta, from Italy, played volleyball in her home country and played for the Wildcats as well. She was such a standout on this year's team that members of the opposing team complimented her on her play! Cecilia Roas, a competitive swimmer, comes from Spain and loves to study Japanese. All three students love the relaxed atmosphere of Fayette-Ware and are impressed by how much the teachers care about the students.





“Future Wildcats” Game Played between East JRHS and West JRHS

The annual Tuck Lewis Jamboree at Fayette-Ware High School was the scene for the “Future Wildcats” game between Fayette County Public Schools’ two middle schools. The teams got the opportunity to wear Fayette-Ware uniforms, get dressed in the high school locker rooms, and take the court in the newly renovated “Warehouse”.

In the first matchup, the West Lady Lions continued their unbeaten ways as they jumped out to an early first quarter lead and never looked back en route to the 46-14 victory. West used a full court pressure defense to convert East turnovers in easy layups and led at the half, 29-10. Chrissy Walker scored 10 of her game high 14 points in the 1st half. Kristyna Boyd found her shooting stroke as she added 11 points. Both teams return to action after the Thanksgiving break.

The boys’ game was an overtime thriller that saw both teams have a chance to win in regulation before the East Bulldogs pulled out the 63-61 overtime win. West struck quickly in the first quarter and led 18-8. Jeremiah Jones scored 9 in the opening frame for the Lions. East came back strong in the second quarter behind Marcus Seaberry’s 8 points and trailed 36-25. The Bulldogs turned up their own defensive pressure in the third quarter and used a 19-5 run to lead 44-41 heading into the fourth quarter. Both teams battled back and forth and the game ended in regulation tied at 59. Free throw shooting proved to be the difference as West missed 6 of 8 in overtime and East hung on for win. West was led by Jeremiah Jones’ game high 26 points before fouling out. Jirah Payne chipped in with 10 points. The Bulldogs were led by Harmonta Griggs 20 points while Quinterrio Maclin added 16 points. East will host St. Mary’s on Monday Nov 27th.





Wildcats Take the Court in Annual “Tuck” Lewis Jamboree

Fayette-Ware Wildcat fans got an early look at this year’s Wildcat basketball teams as the newly renovated “Warehouse” hosted the “Tuck” Lewis Jamboree last Saturday. Nearly 900 fans came through the doors to enjoy some preseason scrimmages. The Liberty Tech Crusaders got things started as they split a pair of games with Briarcrest and Rossville Christian Academy. A “Future Wildcats” game was held between Fayette County Public Schools two middle schools, East JRHS and West JRHS. And in the nightcap, Fayette-Ware played host to the ECS Eagles. The Lady Wildcats came out on top 26-12, led by junior Shakira Price’s 14 points. In the boys’ finale, ECS held on to defeat Fayette-Ware 26-22, despite Wildcat senior Derrick Davis’ 10 points. The Wildcats will open the season on the road but will return on Friday Dec 1st to host the Munford Cougars. The girls’ tip off will be at 6pm, followed by the boys.



Buckley-Carpenter Hosts LaGrange-Moscow

Last week’s elementary basketball schedule saw LaGrange-Moscow Elementary travel to Somerville to face off with the Mustangs of Buckley-Carpenter Elementary. The gym was packed as it was homecoming night at “Mustang City”.

In the girls’ game, both teams were evenly matched as they were tied 6-6 at the end of the 1st quarter and again 14-14 at halftime. The Tigers extended their lead in the third quarter only to watch the Mustangs rally to tie the game late. But LaGrange-Moscow’s Harmony Benson scored 21 points and the Tigers held on for the 33-31 victory. Nariah Anderson chipped in with 10 points. The Mustangs were led by Mercedes Niles’ team-high 11 points.

In the boys’ game, Buckley-Carpenter got their revenge, 28-15, as they were able to take advantage of their full court pressure defense forcing the Tigers into turnovers. The Mustangs’ Chardarien Turner was high scorer with 16 points while Mardrecus Terry added 6. Willie Griggs Jr. led a balanced LaGrange-Moscow attack, finishing with 7 points.

