

Fort Cherry Elementary
FAMILY SCHOOL NIGHTS
September 27 & 28
FROM 6-8 PM



REMINDER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Fort Cherry School District *Family School Nights* (Open House) are scheduled for September 27(K-3) and September 28(4-6). There will be a one (1) hour early dismissal each day. Students will go home on the buses as scheduled, just 1-hour earlier.

Dismissal times are as follows:

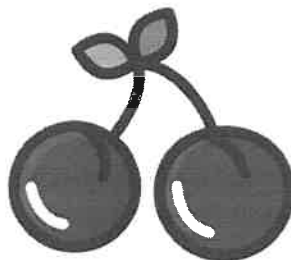
Elementary buses at 2:25 p.m.

Parent pick up at 2:40 p.m.

The Book Fair will also be open on both elementary Family School Nights. The prices of the books will vary. Books make wonderful gifts for the holidays for people of all ages!! Also, if you are looking for something in particular, please ask and we can order it for you.

Fort Cherry Elementary Center

Tutoring Assistance Program



110 Fort Cherry Road
McDonald, PA 15057
724.796.1551 phone
724.356.2770 fax

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Once again, the Fort Cherry Elementary Center will be offering morning tutoring to students who qualify for additional academic instruction. **The tutoring program will begin the week of October 2, 2023.** Tutoring is scheduled from **8:15 to 8:45** on **Monday** or **Wednesday**, depending on the individual teacher's schedule.

A student may qualify for morning tutoring if his/her academic average within a specific curricular area is **below 70%** or if a teacher recommends it. Furthermore, participating students must have access to continual transportation from parents and a commitment to regular attendance.

A participatory form has been made available on the reverse side of this letter. If you are interested in enrolling your child in this tutoring opportunity, please complete the form and return it to the Elementary Center Office. The Student Support Office will review your request and provide verification of participation with the day of tutoring noted (Monday or Wednesday).

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Brianne Eiler, Student Service Coordinator, at 724.796.1551 ext. 2003. We appreciate your support regarding your child's educational success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D.S. Mayer". The signature is stylized with a large 'D' and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mr. Daniel S. Mayer
Elementary Principal

Elementary Tutoring Assistance Program Participatory Form

Please complete the following information and return this form to the Elementary Center Office.



Student's Name _____

Grade _____

Homeroom Teacher _____

Teacher Tutoring _____

Area of Tutoring _____
(Reading, Language Arts, Math, Science, and/or Social Studies)

Request By _____

I am interested in my child participating in the *Fort Cherry Elementary Center Tutoring Assistance Program*.

I understand that in order for my child to qualify for this program the following must be true:

- a. Meet the criteria set forth for this program
- b. Have accessibility to continual transportation
- c. Remain committed to attend

I understand that my child must meet the criteria for the *Fort Cherry Elementary Center Tutoring Assistance Program*. I am also aware that I must provide transportation on a regular and consistent basis in order for my child to remain a participant in this program. Further, I understand that only the child enrolled in the program may be dropped off at 8:15 AM. If my child is absent for three consecutive sessions or displays any disciplinary issues of concern, dismissal from the program may occur.

In reading and understanding the above information, I grant my child permission to participate in the *Fort Cherry Elementary Center Tutoring Assistance Program*.

✓ _____
Parent Signature

✓ _____
Date

Office Use Only

Student Meets Program Qualifications:

____ Students with academic averages under 70%

____ Teacher Recommendation/Student Service Recommendation

Parent/Teacher Notification Distributed _____ (date)

Start date _____ (date)

OPEN HOUSE BAKE SALE



Fort Cherry's PTO is holding a BAKE SALE during OPEN HOUSE on Wednesday, September 27 and Thursday, September 28 from 6 pm to 8 pm in the cafeteria. Baked goods will be available BOTH nights. ALL money raised will benefit student activities including educational field trips, reading programs, the yearbook, fun days and Junior Olympics.

We need YOUR help! If you are interested in donating baked good items or helping at the bake sale, please contact Carla Fugitt at carla.fugitt@gmail.com or 412-977-6027. We appreciate your support!



Recommendations:

- Please individually wrap the items for easy resale. If you are unable, I can help with that before the sale begins.
- Please indicate on each package any special notes regarding your baked goods such as contains peanuts, tree nuts, gluten free, dairy free, etc. Again, if you are unable, I can help with that before the sale begins.
- Please drop off your baked good items before the start of the open house (5 pm – 5:30 pm). If you need me to pick-up the items a day or two before open house, I can make arrangements with you.

*****THANK YOU FOR HELPING MAKE THIS A GREAT EVENT*****



JOIN US AT OPEN HOUSE

Come join us at Open House September 27 & September 28. The PTO will be selling farm fresh items to help with your decoration needs for the autumn season ahead. Take a peek and “fall” in love with our beautiful mums, our cute pumpkins, gourds and munchkins and our festive corn stalks.

Corn stalks	\$10
9” Mums	\$10
Gourds/Munchkins	\$1
Pumpkins	\$5

All proceeds support the PTO. By supporting the PTO, you are supporting the many programs and services the PTO provides throughout the school year such as reading programs, fun days, the yearbook, Junior Olympics, field trips and much more.

We cannot do it without YOU!





SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Your child will have the opportunity to purchase books, bookmarks, pens, pencils, etc. during their library class! See the classroom schedule on the reverse side of this flyer for your reference.



The above QR Code will redirect you to our Book Fair Website

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/fortcherryelementarycenter2>

****You may set up an e-Wallet via the above QR code or send cash or check (made payable to FCEC PTO) with your child on the date they visit the fair.****

You will also have the opportunity to visit and purchase items from the Book Fair during Open House from 6:00 p.m to 8:00 p.m on Wednesday 9/27/23 and Thursday 9/28/23.

If you are able, and would like to further support your child's teacher, please consider a donation via the following two options:

- Sending in money for your student's teacher to use at the bookfair. Any amount is greatly appreciated.
- During both Open House Nights our teachers will have book bins filled with wish list items that you may purchase to donate back to that Teacher's Classroom.

Lastly, during **both Open House Nights** we will be participating in the **All for Books Charity Donation Program** again. This program asks if you'd like to round up your total to the nearest dollar. That change is then collected to use in purchasing new books for our School Library.

Happy Reading!



**SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR
SCHEDULE**



September 25 – October 3rd

Monday 9/25 – Walker, Newman and Zibert

Tuesday 9/26 – Putt, Gilbert, Lieb, Kelley, Brucker and Kirby

Wednesday 9/27 – Ellis-Lewis, Cortese, Kampian, Narigon and Renz ****OPEN HOUSE****

Thursday 9/28 – Zofchak and Kramer ****OPEN HOUSE****

Friday 9/29 – White, Gallagher/Klobuchir, Welsh and Biagini

Monday 10/2 – Whalen, Kreefer, Stewart and Deveaney

Tuesday 10/3 – **MAKE-UP DAY** – for anyone who missed their above class time or would like to purchase additional items.

If you can't make it to the Fair, you may also shop our school's Online Book Fair. All orders ship directly to your home and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Your online orders will also benefit our school.



Dear Families

It's that time of year again to hit the books and start earning points for the Reading Rangers Program. Your child can read books, take a quiz through the online program, Read N' Quiz, and earn prizes quarterly. Below are some details to keep in mind:

- Our Reading Rangers program runs from the start of the school year through May 1st this year.
- The Read N' Quiz program is explained and supported by our Librarian, Mrs. Risacher, and our Teachers but funded by PTO.
- The Librarian provides students with their log-in information in First Grade and ensures they know how to access the quizzes on their devices. She reviews this information yearly and anytime a student needs assistance.
 - Once a student logs in once, their log-in information is saved.
- Books borrowed from the Fort Cherry Elementary Library that are eligible for quizzes will typically have a Read N' Quiz number located on the front cover or the inside title page.
- Students may also search for book titles of books they already own or borrow from the public library.
- **Every book a child reads does not have a quiz through Read N' Quiz** so we encourage your student to search for the title before reading a book in hopes of earning points.
- Once a quiz is taken on a book it will not be available again for the duration of the students' elementary career (1st through 6th grade). This applies to passed or failed tests.
- Points are awarded based on the difficulty/reading level of each book and how many questions the student answers correctly.
- Points are evaluated quarterly for prizes based on each level they complete.
 - August 28 – November 1
 - November 2 – January 23
 - January 24 – March 27
 - March 28 – May 1 (RR program end date)
- If your student earns enough points to reach the final tier, they will be invited to a party to celebrate at the end of the school year (sometime in May).
- Points standings will be posted in the Hallway outside the Library and updated after the 1st of each month.
- 1st Grade families will receive additional information on how this program runs in conjunction with Book It.

Happy Reading!



This year's Reading Rangers theme will be:

Take me Out to the Ball Game

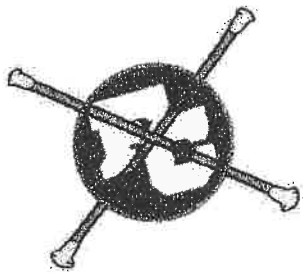


Each student will do their best to round the bases and make it home to the end of year celebration and a free ticket to the Washington Wild Things Celebration Game. Please reference the chart below by grade to determine how many points you need to move around the diamond. As you earn points you will move as follows:

- Dugout to the Batter Box
- Batter Box to 1st Base
- 1st Base to 2nd Base
- 2nd Base to 3rd Base
- Round 3rd Base and slide into Home Plate

Dugout	Batter Box	1st Base	2nd Base	3rd Base	Home Plate
1st Grade	0-4.9	5-10.9	11-19.9	20-29.9	30+
2nd Grade	5-10.9	11-22.9	23-33.9	34-44.9	45+
3rd Grade	7-14.9	15-28.9	29-43.9	44-59.9	60+
4th Grade	10-20.9	21-37.9	38-55.9	56-74.9	75+
5th Grade	15-24.9	25-39.9	40-62.9	63-89.9	90+
6th Grade	18-37.9	38-58.9	59-81.9	82-104.9	105+

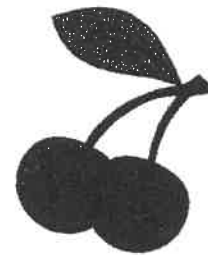
Don't forget to check your standings outside the library monthly to see how your name is moving around Ranger Stadium.



Fort Cherry Majorette

2nd Annual

Mini-Camp 2023



Would you like to see what it is like to be a Fort Cherry Majorette?
Come Join Us and See!

Who Can Participate? ANY 5TH – 11TH GRADER

● WHEN?

We will have practice on the following days
from 6 pm – 8pm:

- Monday, October 23rd
- Tuesday, October 24th
- Wednesday, October 25th
- Thursday, October 26th

● You will get to perform during Pre-Game of the football game on Friday, October 27th.

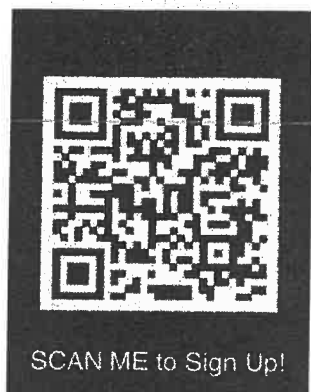
- Participant needs to be at the school for 5:00 pm that day.

● Shirts are available for purchase!

The cost is \$16.00. (More information on the order form.)

● Sign-Up/Order Form Scan QR Code Below

*MUST SIGN UP BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH in order to participate. Payment is due by the same day (if purchasing shirt and/or baton)



SCAN ME to Sign Up!

● Have a baton? Great! Be sure to bring it with you.

● Need a baton? No problem!

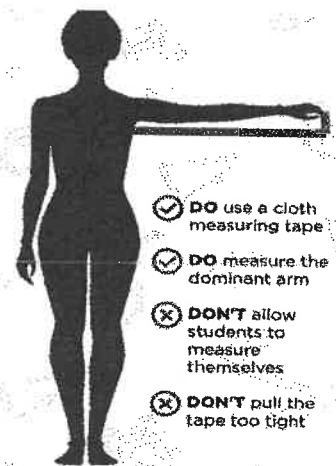
Option 1: You can either order your own on Amazon, Star Line Baton Company or another website you might find.

- If you would like to order the type we use, it is the "Venus 3/8 Inch Shaft" Baton.

Option 2: We can order you a baton and you can pay us for it. The cost is \$19.00.

How to measure for a baton:

- 1.) Have the student stand with legs together, back straight, and baton twirling arm extended parallel with the floor.
- 2.) Using a cloth measuring tape, measure from under the arm from the arm pit to the end of the middle finger.
- 3.) If the number falls between lengths, size up. (Baton lengths only come in whole inch sizes.)



📣 **remind** Join the Remind Group using the information on the back of this page for important updates on Mini Camp '23.



Sign up for important updates from Mrs. K. Gordon.

Get information for Fort Cherry Junior-senior High School right on your phone—not on handouts.

Pick a way to receive messages for Fort Cherry Majorette Mini Camp 2023:

A If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/fcmajmin23

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @fcmajmin23 to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @fcmajmin23 to (810) 250-7858.

** Standard text message rates apply.*



Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/fcmajmin23 on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

**JOIN US IN SUPPORTING THE NOSE 2
TAILS CAT RESCUE**



CAT SUPPLIES DRIVE

SUPPLIES ARE DUE OCTOBER 31ST

The shelter is in need of:
wet cat/kitten food, dry
cat/kitten food, cat toys,
cat beds, unscented kitty
litter, cardboard
scratches, paper plates,
paper towels, garbage
bags, Clorox wipes, AA
batteries, pet store
giftcards



**H.G.
PARKINSON**

AG DEPARTMENT

Donations may be left in the
greenhouse by Door 18

Ranger Cross Country 5k

BENEFITTING WOUNDED WARRIORS PROJECT

The Fort Cherry Cross Country team will be hosting their 2nd Annual 5k. Last year the runners chose a foundation to donate the proceeds to. They chose The Foundation for Suicide Prevention. This year when asked they decided on Wounded Warriors Project. All proceeds made from the 5k will go towards The Wounded Warriors Project.

CHECK-IN AT 12	AT FORT CHERRY	COST
RACE AT 1	FOOTBALL FIELD	\$40



Please register before Thursday, October 12th to guarantee a T-Shirt. Registration will close October 20th. There will be basket raffle and small concession as well.

Email: cgasbarro@fortcherry.org



Rangers Cross Country

2nd Annual Charity

5K RUN & WALK

Proud
Supporter of



**WOUNDED WARRIOR
PROJECT®**

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 29
1:00PM**

LOCATION:

FORT CHERRY HIGH SCHOOL

110 Fort Cherry Road, McDonald, PA

REGISTRATION FEE:

\$40 PER PERSON INCLUDES TSHIRT

REGISTRATION & INFO

- CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 12PM AT THE FOOTBALL FIELD
- PRIZE FOR 1ST PLACE FINISHER
- CHINEESE AUCTION TO BE HELD AFTER RACE

**KIDS 1/2 MI FUN
RUN @ 12:30**

REGISTRATION FEE:

\$10 PER CHILD

A 1/2 mile race for children ages 5-10 will take place around the football field prior to start of the 5K race. Does not include t-shirt

TO REGISTER OR DONATE
SCAN QR CODE



OR EMAIL CGASBARRO@FORTCHERRY.ORG

REGISTRATION WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL DAY OF RACE.
REGISTRATION AFTER OCT. 3 NOT GUARANTEED EVENT TSHIRT

FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL CGASBARRO@FORTCHERRY.ORG

Race will be held rain or shine. 2023 race proceeds will benefit Wounded Warrior Project.

McFall Fest



Saturday, October 14, 2023

11 am - 4 pm

Good old-fashioned fun for the whole family!

Bake Sale & Homemade Food, Vendors & Crafters,

Games for Children, Mums for Sale,

Sandi's Treasure Chest Resale Shop,

Basket Raffle & More!

Treasure Chest Resale Hours :

Saturday, October 14th, 8 am - 4 pm

McDonald Presbyterian Church

119 Station Street, McDonald, PA 15057

724-926-8561 www.mcdonaldpres.org

100% of proceeds benefit mission & ministry



AHN CANONSBURG
Hospital



TRUNK OR TREAT



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19TH
5PM TO 6:30PM



CAMP AGAPE

FALL

OCTOBER 21 2023

FESTIVAL

COME EXPERIENCE THE BEST
FALL HAS TO OFFER IN THE
SCENIC HILLS OF HICKORY PA!

1:00 - 4:00 PM

Chili Cookoff

Hotdogs and Sauerkraut

Farm Animals

Tour renovated McGugin's Inn

Candy Trail

Live Music

And more!

72 AGAPE ROAD
HICKORY, PA 15340
WWW.CAMPAGAPE.ORG



**EVERYONE'S TALKIN'
BOUT
WRESTLING**



REGISTRATION

In person early special @ Open House

September 27th & 28th

\$100 (additional wrestlers in family \$75)

Online: FCRANGERSYOUTHWRESTLING.COM

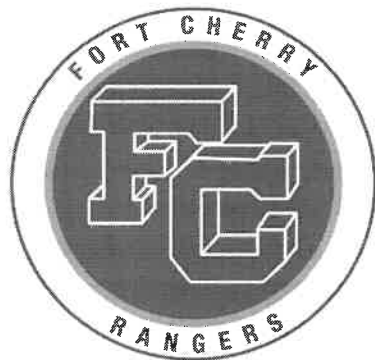
September 29th thru November 17th

\$125 (additional wrestlers in family \$100)

SINGLET DEPOSIT: \$75
(check, fully refundable
upon return of singlet)

CASH OR CHECK

RANGERS



Fort Cherry School District

110 Fort Cherry Road
McDonald, PA 15057
724.796.1551
www.fortcherry.org

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are happy to offer to you the "Fort Cherry Helping Hands" program. The district is collaborating with local providers to continue this program. It is only offered to families that have qualified for free or reduced meals at the school. Once a month, you will have the opportunity to pick up a box with food items for all of the children in your household under the age of 18. A schedule will be provided to the families who confirm their participation in the program. This is at NO COST to your family. We ask that all eligible families accept this monthly contribution and support this worthwhile program. The school district is proud to offer this initiative.

To take part in "Helping Hands" this school year you:

- must receive free or reduced school meals.
- must complete and return the 'Opt-In' form. (one per household only)
- must complete and return the 'Permission to Share' form. (one per household only)
- must be able to pick up food between **12:00 - 2:00 pm** at the High School door 27. A schedule of pick up Wednesday dates will be provided.

If you **choose to participate** in the "Fort Cherry Helping Hands" program, please complete the attached **Opt-In** form and **Permission to Share** form. Return these forms to Brianne Eiler, Elementary Student Service Coordinator. **If you already take part in the Helping Hands program you do not need to complete this Opt-In again, but you MUST complete the Permission to Share form. If you wish to be removed from this program please call.**

If you have any questions regarding the program, please contact Brianne Eiler at 724-796-1551, ext. 2003 or email her at beiler@fortcherry.org.

Thank you, and we look forward to helping.

"Fort Cherry Helping Hands" Opt-In Form

Please complete this form and return it to Mrs. Brianne Eiler at the Elementary Center.

YES, I am interested in participating in the "Fort Cherry Helping Hands" program.

Please list all children living in the household and their ages:

(Name/Age)	(Name/Age)
(Name/Age)	(Name/Age)
(Name/Age)	(Name/Age)

Parent's/Guardian's Name _____

Signature _____

***Phone Number** _____

**We will add this number to an automated calling system to remind you of pick up dates/times.*

Please list any designated adult(s) that may pick up the food for your family if you are unable to do so.

(Name)	(Phone Number)
(Name)	(Phone Number)

My family is not able to pick up the food at the school between 12:00 - 2:00 pm. This time is when I or a designated adult is available:

SHARING INFORMATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS

Dear Parent/Guardian:

To save you time and effort, the information you gave on your Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application may be shared with other programs for which your children may qualify. For the following programs, we must have your permission to share your information. Sending in this form will not change whether your children get free or reduced price meals.

- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **all Federal and/or State testing ex. SAT, ACT . . .**
- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **Chromebook distribution program.**
- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **Angel Tree program.**
- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **Pay to Participate program.**
- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **Helping Hands program.**
- Yes! I **DO** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application with **Academic Grant, Scholarships, and Programming Assistance.**
- No! I **DO NOT** want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application.

If you checked "Yes" to any or all of the boxes above, fill out the form below to ensure that your information is shared for the child(ren) listed below. Your information will be shared only with the programs you checked.

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

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Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

For more information, you may call Sally Cowden at 724-796-1551 Ext. 2391 or scowden@fortcherry.org.



Food Collection

The Fort Cherry School District is collecting canned goods, non-perishable foods, and toiletries for our ***FC Helping Hands Program***. This program provides qualifying Fort Cherry families with monthly boxes of food and self-care items. If you wish to donate, we would greatly appreciate it.

Elementary Drop Off: Fish Bowl/Lobby - buzz and a secretary will accept the donations

Examples of needed items:

Pasta Noodles
Pasta Sauces
Macaroni & Cheese
Spaghettios
Granola bars
Syrup
Dried fruits
Applesauce
Protein shakes
Breakfast bars
Poptarts
Tissues
Toothpaste
Toothbrushes

Raisins/Craisins
Cereal
Pretzels
Trail Mix
Oatmeal
Crackers
Dental floss
Hand soap
Canned /pouch meats
Peanut Butter
Body wash
Shampoo/conditioner
Band-aids
Peaches

Pears
Fruit cocktail
Mandarin oranges
Applesauce
Corn
Peas
Green beans
Carrots
Popcorn
Rice Cakes
Juice
Lysol Wipes

