



YORK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 5201 BROOKHAVEN DRIVE, RALEIGH NC 27612

Monthly Newsletter

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An exciting month ahead!

It has been so great to see all our families back in the school routine. Thank you to the Cultural Arts committee for arranging a fantastic cultural arts performance by Number Drummer. We also want to recognize the Social Committee for our most successful Family Game Night! It was exciting to see so many families turn out! Thank you YES community for supporting PTA to make events like these possible.

This Friday, join us for a Family Dance Night in the gym. This event is organized by the Arts in Action steering committee and will serve as an awareness night for the distinct privilege we have at York to receive this program. I hope you'll come out and learn more!

This month we will kick off our annual, month-long giving campaign, Bulldog Bonanza. This year our fundraising goal of \$10,000 will go toward adding new learning experiences in EVERY classroom. Be on the lookout for more details on these fun and exciting experiences. We hope you will consider how your family can support the cause.

SAVE-THE-DATE! Saturday, February 23 will be York PTA's very first Parent's Night Out! All donations raised at this event will go toward the Bulldog Bonanza goal. If you've been interested in getting to know more parents and teachers, this is a great opportunity! We'll be hosting several fun activities and games. BBQ will be served. BYOB.

Sincerely,
Melissa Smith, 2018-2019 York PTA President



Susannah Wheat

Guidance Counselor

When you're in need of some extra love and care, who do you turn to? Why Ms. Wheat, our school counselor, of course! Ms. Wheat joined the YES Bulldog family this year, but it's like she has been with us for a while! She proudly shares that she has learned the names of over half of our student body and is working hard to know 100% of our students. Ms. Wheat has the biggest heart when it comes to our students. She checks in regularly with classes, teaches classroom lessons, hosts small groups for students, eats lunch with students, organizes programs like Backpack Buddies/Angel Tree, and supports staff in so many ways. She even has a snack cabinet for when students (or staff) are feeling a bit hungry. She is York-tastic!

*** Did you know February 4-8 is National School Counselor Appreciation Week?

Help us celebrate our amazing school counselor - Ms. Wheat!

Calendar of Events

- February 4-8- Writer in Residence (Susie Wilde)
- February 8- Family Dance Night- 6:00pm
- February 15- WCPSS Early Release- 1:15pm
- February 18- WCPSS Teacher Workday- No School
- February 19- Snow Make Up Day
- February 21- School Tour- 10:00am
PTA Board Meeting- 4:30pm
- February 23- **Parents' Night Out**- 6:00 – 9:00pm
(North Hills Club)
- February 25- Spirit Night (McDonald's Millbrook Rd.)
- March 8- WCPSS Early Release- 1:15pm

SAVE THE DATE
York STEM Expo
April 5
5:30-7:30pm
You don't want to miss this year's event...
It's a tech-y packed evening!

How You Can Help York

- ✓ Complete your 2019-2020 Willingness to Serve Form (sent in Tuesday folders). For questions about available volunteer opportunities, please contact Sharaka Bert (Sharaka_bert@yahoo.com). There are opportunities for ALL commitment levels and skill sets!
- ✓ RSVP for Parents' Night out, scheduled for February 23, 6:00-9:00pm at The North Hills Club.
- ✓ Make a donation during Bulldog Bonanza to support new learning experiences for every grade level. More details to come shortly.