

Hello, Zebulon Elementary Families,

This is Principal Newkirk with the update for the week of June 4, 2021

Shout Out

I want to send a huge shout out to our families, who persevered, supported, encouraged, and complied throughout this Covid-19 school year. Your grace and flexibility have been appreciated as we crafted a new way of educating students during this pandemic. Despite all the hardships, we have come out on the other end with skills and competencies that will help us as we move into the next school year.

End of Year

With the last days of school fast approaching, it is time to return all instructional materials back to school. The only items we are collecting are EL boks, math manipulatives, school – owned instruments, wi-fi hot spots, and library books. Students will keep their Chromebooks over the summer.

Families in the virtual academy can begin returning materials from 8:30 – 4:00 PM June 7 – June 11. Students in face-to-face learning may bring their materials to school during the same time frame.

Library Closed

The library will be closed for the rest of the 2020-2021 school year to give Mrs. Flory time to clean and organize for a fantastic opening for 2021-2022. Students will not be able to check out books next week.

Reading Goal

I am challenging all families to set a reading goal with your child this summer. Every child should read at least one book a week over the summer. Students who are not yet reading, should learn to read before the summer is over, and students who are reading below grade level should read on grade level by the end of the summer. If you are not sure where your child stands and what progress is necessary to meet his/her goal, contact your child's teacher. The [Pizza Hut Bookit](#) program has a digital dashboard to record student reading and earn free personal pan pizzas!

You may also check out this [slide show](#) created by Mrs. Flory to find incentives and ideas for summer reading.

Chromebooks

At the beginning of next school year all students will receive a WCPSS Chromebook if they do not already have one. This will take us to 1:1 ratio of students to devices.

Register for school for next year

Schools receive funding to hire teachers and buy materials based on the number of students enrolled. When students are enrolled at the last minute, we begin the year with substitute teachers leading classrooms. If you know someone with a child who will begin kindergarten next year, encourage them to register their child now. You may register your child at www.wcpss.net/enroll.

Yours,

David Newkirk, Principal

June 7-10 Materials drop off (EL texts, math manipulative kits, library books, hot spots)

June 10 Last day of school!!!

