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### Important Upcoming Dates

**Thursday, June 2** - PTA Meeting, 7pm in Mantua ES Library. Volunteer reception (6:30 pm).

**Thursday, June 9** - 6th Grade Promotion at Woodson.

**Friday, June 10** - Last Day of School.



The final PTA meeting will be held **Thursday, June 2nd** in the Library. On June 2nd, we'll start with our volunteer appreciation reception at 6:30 pm followed by the meeting at 7 pm. Please join us to hear how we plan to finish off the year strong, meet your new executive board, and see what is in the works for 2022-23!

### **6th Grade Promotion Ceremony and Party**



The Mantua ES 6th Grade Class of 2022 will celebrate the end of their elementary school days with a promotion ceremony at Woodson High School. Parents are invited to join them in the auditorium for the ceremony. The entrance to the auditorium where the ceremony will take place is to the right of the main Woodson entrance. Afterward, there will be an opportunity to take pictures, mingle with students, and their families. Students will then return to Mantua via bus for lunch and a party planned by 6th-grade parents.

Timeline:

- Students arrive at Mantua as usual in the morning..
- 9:30am: Students are bused to Woodson from Mantua.
- 10:15am: Promotion ceremony begins in Woodson HS Auditorium (duration approx 45 min - 1 hour),

- 11:00am: Pictures with family in the courtyard between the main entrance and auditorium entrance.
- 11:30am: Buses depart Woodson with students to head back to Mantua.
- 11:45am-1:00pm: Parent Volunteers set up for the party while students change clothes and eat pizza lunch in their classrooms.
- 1:00pm-3:30pm: 6th Grade Party. (Parents are permitted as volunteers only!)

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### Sixth Grade Graduation Party Volunteer Needs (June 9)

Thursday, June 9, Mantua sixth graders will graduate! To celebrate this exciting milestone, we have a fun afternoon planned once they arrive back at Mantua. In order to pull off the celebration, we need many volunteers. Please check out this volunteer sign up form to volunteer your time in advance or day of, or to drop off items needed for the party.

For questions about volunteer opportunities, contact Judith Cabelli at [cabelli.judith@gmail.com](mailto:cabelli.judith@gmail.com). Thank you for your help making this celebration a success!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4dadaa2aa0fb6-sixth1>

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### Food Drive

Hi Mantua families! According to our wonderful parent liaison, Luis Uribe Gamboa, he is running low on some key food staples that he keeps stocked for families within our community. Let's see if we can replenish his supply before the school year ends!

There are two ways to donate:

- (1) A large plastic bin located inside the main school entrance

OR

(2) Drop off items on your way home from the store, you can leave them in the driveway at 9214 Ponce Place.

### Please consider donating something by June 3.

No donation is too small! Items most needed are:

SALT, SUGAR, SPAGHETTI, SPAGHETTI SAUCE, MASECA FLOUR, PANCAKE MIX, PANCAKE SYRUP, CHEERIOS, OIL, RICE, DRIED BLACK BEANS (NOT CANNED), OATMEAL, COOKIES, SNACKS.

Thank you!

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### Order Your School Supplies

Don't forget to order your school supplies for next year by June 30th to receive discounted pricing! It's never too early to plan, and the Mantua PTA is happy to announce the 2022-23 School Supply Kits through EduKit are Ready! Everything your student needs for the school year comes packaged in one convenient box, customized for the approved Mantua teacher's requests!

Simply go online to <https://www.edukitinc.com/>, click "Order", "Find My School" and type in Mantua and you're in.

**Order by June 30th for best pricing.** Kits will be shipped directly to your house and be packaged and ready for the school year to start in August. Check, done! One thing off your summer planning list!




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### 2022 Summer Programs for LJ Students

Any 6th graders going to Luther Jackson Middle School?

How To Survive Middle School 2022

Session 1: July 25 & 26

Session 2: July 27 & 28...

[See more here.](#)

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## COVID Vaccination Status

You may wish to voluntarily share your child's COVID-19 vaccination information with Mantua ES. However, we do not require your child's vaccination information and no school employee will ask for your child's vaccination status. If you would like to provide us with your child's vaccination status, please bring your child's COVID-19 vaccination card or a photocopy of the card to Ms. Kakouris in the front office. COVID-19 vaccination documentation contains Protected Health Information and should not be emailed.

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## Seventh Grade Immunization Requirements

Effective July 1, 2021 all students entering 7th grade will be required to receive one dose of each of the following immunizations prior to the beginning of school: Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis booster (Tdap) given at age 7 or older, and Meningococcal vaccine (MenACWY) given at age 10 or older. Seventh grade students cannot begin school in August without proper Tdap and Meningococcal documentation.



Acceptable documentation to submit to Mantua ES can be one of the following:

1. An immunization record showing the month, day, and year the immunization(s) was given.
2. A note on a healthcare provider's letterhead stating the month, day, and year the immunization(s) was given.
3. A healthcare provider's written statement of a permanent or temporary medical exemption for a student who cannot receive the immunization due to medical reasons.
4. A notarized Religious Exemption Form, which is available online at: [http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/health\\_medical/certificate\\_religious\\_exemption.pdf](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/health_medical/certificate_religious_exemption.pdf)

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## NEW! 2022-2023 School Year Calendar



Any changes in dismissal transportation need to be requested by emailing the Mantua Attendance ([Mantuaelem.attendance@fcps.edu](mailto:Mantuaelem.attendance@fcps.edu)) by 11:00am, so the office has time to relay that change to the classroom teacher. No early dismissals will be permitted after 3:30pm.

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## Visitors Welcome

The most updated guidance from FCPS indicates that we can welcome visitors and volunteers. Our Visitor Management System is back up and running in the main office. Visitors who will be engaging with students will need to check-in using this system. Please know that the Visitor Management System requires that visitors have their licenses when checking in. Our teachers may begin to solicit parent volunteers through their parent communication.

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## How to Submit an Announcement to the PTA News

Please [complete this form](#) to have a Mantua ES- or Mantua PTA-related announcement placed in the weekly Mantua PTA News, on our [Facebook page](#) and/or on [MantuaPTA.org](http://MantuaPTA.org).



The form guides you through all the pieces of information we need to put out complete announcements.

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