

First Day of School

Welcome Back! Hope everyone has a great first day! If you have pictures of your students from the Welcome Walk, Picnic or First Day of School please e-mail them to me at robin.osterhout@gmail.com so I can include them in Yearbook!

Please note: if sending pictures from a cell phone, send the highest resolution possible (actual size or large format), small compressed pictures will be too blurry and I will not be able to use them.

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September News

New Parent Coffee

Friday, September 11th at 9:30 a.m. in the Cafeteria

Please join us for the annual New Parent Coffee hosted by the PTA. This is a great chance to meet other parents at VRES, ask questions and talk to Principal Edwards and Assistant Principal Skerker. We look forward to seeing you there. Please RSVP to the office at [703-988-8900](tel:703-988-8900).



Back to School Nights

Grades K - 2 is on Monday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Grades 3-6 is on Thursday, September 24th at 7:00 p.m.

Stop by the PTA tables before or after your class visit. We will be selling SpiritWear, taking membership forms, collecting your Giant, Harris Teeter and Target #s to support VRES and also have sign-ups for all types of fun activities your kids will not want to miss.



Membership Drive

Joining the PTA is simply a way to say you support our school!

There are no strings attached - by becoming a PTA member you are not required to volunteer (although we hope you do) nor do you have to attend meetings (but we sure would like to see you). Becoming a member simply means you are supporting VRES and its tax deductible.

[Click Here](#) to read how becoming a PTA Member helps VRES.

When you join by the 18th, your child will have his or her name on an owl that decorates the PTA tree outside their classroom on the Back to School Nights.

Grocery Store Rebates

Last year we made \$2,979.57 on Grocery Store Rebate programs at Giant and Harris Teeter ***with only 80 people participating.*** Imagine what we could raise for VRES with more sign-ups? It's so easy -- please bring your Harris Teeter and Giant Bonus Cards with you to the Back to School Nights -- or fill out the form coming home in the Wed Envelope on 9/16 and we will do the rest for you when program registration starts in September! How easy is that! You can select up to two schools to support so if you want to also support Stone or WHS we can do that for you too.

FCPS FY17 Budget

FCPS is facing a large and significant funding shortfall for FY17 of up to \$100M. There is a lot of information available at www.fcps.edu. You can also check our PTA website, on the [Advocacy Tab](#) for information and upcoming meetings. Two Community Information Sessions are being held: Tomorrow, Tuesday, September 9th and Saturday, September 12th. Details and the KIT sent on 9/2 is re-posted at www.vrespta.org on the Advocacy page.

Box Tops

Send in those Box Tops you have been collecting over the summer starting NOW! There is a box top collection box in the lobby under the clock.

WHOOOO



is in the PTA?



VRES PTA on Facebook

We post reminders to Facebook about PTA activities so it's another great way to stay in the know about what is happening at school. We are up to 153 "likes" so if you haven't checked out the page, please do so today.

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