Route 40 Elementary School

Jacqueline Hawkins, Principal

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"Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying 'I will try again tomorrow'. – Mary Anne Radmacher

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Calendar Changes

The State Board of Education approved GCPS' request to use **Monday, April 21st, Easter Monday, as a make-up day. This day will now be used as make-up school day.** Further calendar updates will be forthcoming.
Thursday, June 12, 2025, will now be a make-up day to accommodate the missed instructional time due to inclement weather.

Full details on the calendar may be found on our website at https://www.gcps.net/Page/2658.

PreK/K Registration Now Open

GCPS is now accepting applications for comprehensive kindergarten registration and Pre-Kindergarten Program for 3- and 4-year-olds for the 2025-26 school year. Kindergarten registration is for all children entering kindergarten for the first time in September 2025, while Pre-K is a program for 3- and 4-year-olds.
Registration will be held at each school in April.

Applicants will receive additional information regarding their application status and registration appointments.

If your child is a current PK 3 student, you MUST enroll them for the PK 4 program.

https://www.gcps.net/enrollment

Changes to Transportation

Please remember that if there are ANY changes to your students transportation, you must send a note in with your child or call the school at 301-689-6132, please make sure that you speak to someone, do not leave a message. If the phones are down, the messages don't always come through until later. **We ask that you please DO NOT email Mrs. Bolden or your child's teacher with the change, we may not see the email in time.** If you have questions please contact Mrs. Bolden.

Absences

The GCPS handbook states that if your child is absent for any reason, a note explaining the absence should be sent in within three (3) days of the absence.Their attendance will be coded accordingly.

Box Tops

Please consider using the Box Tops app to scan in your receipts and help earn our school extra funds.

🥛🧇Weekly Breakfast & Lunch Menu 🍔🍟

14	15	16	17	18
Cheese Bosco Sticks or Chicken Nuggets Sweet Potato Fries Pears Mixed Vegetables	Chicken Biscuits or Pizza Tater Tots Pineapple Rice Krispy Treat	Macaroni & Cheese w/Wheat Roll or Chicken Patty Sandwich Peas Peaches Broccoli	Walking Tacos or Corn Dog Carrot Sticks Mixed Fruit Black Beans	SCHOOLS CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY
Whole Grain Donut, Cereal, Mixed Fruit Cup, Orange Juice, Milk	Sausage Biscuit, Cereal, Craisins, Fruit Juice, Milk	Muffin, Cereal, Pear Cup, Orange Pineapple Juice, Milk	Waffle, Cereal, Strawberry Applesauce Cup, Grape Juice, Milk	

APRIL 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Pre-K 4 to Hickory Family Game Night 5:30-7:00	5
6	7	8 End of Term 3	9 Book Fair	10 12:15 Dismissal Staff Development	11 Book Fair	12
13	14 Pre-K & K Registration	15 Report Cards emailed	16	17 PTO Egg Hunt	18 Schools Closed – Good Friday	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Arts Fair 9:00 – 3:00 @Garrett College
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Upcoming Events

APRIL HAPPENINGS:

April 14th: PK & K Registration

April 15th: PBIS Incentive, Master Gardener's Visit

April 17th: Egg Hunt for Students

April 18th: Schools Closed - Good Friday

April 21st: Make-up Day - Schools will Operate Normally

April 26th: Fine Arts Fair - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm @ Garrett College

MAY HAPPENINGS:

May 5th - May 8th: MCAP ELA - Grades 3-5

May 6th: Whole School Panoramic Photo

May 12th & May 13th: MCAP Math - Grades 3-5

May 15th: 5th Grade - Washington Wild Things Trip

May 16th: 3rd Grade - National Pike Days Trip

May 20th: 5th Grade Career Day @ Garrett College

May 23rd: PreK & K Idlewild Trip

- 3rd Grade Old Bedford Village Trip

May 26th: Schools Closed - Memorial Day

May 27th: 12:15 dismissal - Staff Development

May 28th: Grades 2 & 3 to Hickory