


# Reptile Review



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## Important Dates

<b>April 2</b> Report Cards Home	<b>April 10</b> 3rd Grade FSA Reading	<b>April 18</b> 5th Grade FSA Math	<b>April 25</b> 5th Grade FSA Reading	<b>April 30</b> 4th Grade FSA Math 5th Grade SSA Science
<b>April 5</b> TEDx Event 4th-5th	<b>April 13</b> Creativity Workshop Backboard STEM Fun Run	<b>April 19</b> 5th Grade FSA Math	<b>April 26</b> 5th Grade FSA Reading McDonald's Family Night 5-7pm	<b>May 1</b> 4th Grade FSA Math 5th Grade SSA Science
<b>April 6</b> Creativity Workshop Backboard STEM Jumprope for Heart	<b>April 16</b> 3rd Grade FSA Math	<b>April 20</b> All Pro Dad PE Activity	<b>April 27</b> Progress Reports STEAM	<b>April 30-May 4</b> Book Fair
<b>April 9</b> 3rd Grade FSA Reading	<b>April 17</b> 3rd Grade FSA Math	<b>April 23</b> 4th Grade FSA Reading	<b>April 28</b> District STEM Fair	

## Principal's Message

April is a busy month! We begin the month by having our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students who were class winners give their TedX Speeches on April 5<sup>th</sup>. We also have our "Jump Rope for Heart" event on April 6<sup>th</sup>! April is Autism Awareness month so on Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, we will "Light It Up Blue" to show our support! On April 9<sup>th</sup>, we begin FSA testing which will continue throughout the month of April. On testing days, visitors/volunteers will not be allowed on campus. Please check these days before coming in to volunteer. To support your child for testing, please be sure that your child gets a good night's rest, comes to school on time, and that he/she hears encouraging words each morning. Remember all students, who are testing, receive a free breakfast each day. We appreciate your continued support!

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### FSA/SSA Dates

<b>Grade 3</b>	FSA Reading	April 9, 10
<b>Grade 3</b>	FSA Math	April 16, 17
<b>Grade 4</b>	FSA Reading	April 23, 24
<b>Grade 4</b>	FSA Math	April 30, May 1
<b>Grade 5</b>	FSA Reading	April 25, 26
<b>Grade 5</b>	FSA Math	April 18, 19
<b>Grade 5</b>	SSA Science	April 30, May 1

Please no visitors/volunteers on campus during these days.

For practice tests and FSA information:

<http://www.fsassessments.org>

Parents, for more information please contact your child's teacher or call Mrs. Wilkinson at (813) 346-0503.





# Exceptional Student Extravaganza



## New River Elementary Autism Awareness Celebration

May 4, 2018

Extravaganza Events 5:00-8:00 p.m.  
Reptile Kindness Run Awards 7:45 p.m.  
Silent Auction Ends 7:45 p.m.

Come join the fun at New River Elementary as we celebrate our Exceptional Students. This extravaganza benefits all of our NRES Exceptional Students, enabling us to purchase needed technology and materials. At the event you will be able to enjoy some of the following activities:

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| Bounce House | Carnival Games         | Cake Walk                     |
| Book Fair    | Silent Auction         | Kindness Run                  |
| Art Show     | Local Business Vendors | NRES Chorus/ ORFF Performance |

Games and Bounce Houses are FREE. Food and Cake Walk will be for sale at the event.

Interested in being a vendor or for monetary donations, please contact Jon Leidy (813) 346-0500.



### 5th Grade News

NRES 5th grade teachers are collecting fun items for the end-of-year auction for the 5th grade students. If you would like to make a donation, they are asking for donations of gift cards, monetary donations, or any items you would like to purchase on your own. They will also take "gently used" items such as video games, if they are in 100% working condition.

All purchases and donations should be age appropriate.

Please contact Mrs. Jones

[dljones@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:dljones@pasco.k12.fl.us) for ideas and more information.

### WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT STORING MEDICINE

#### JUST ONE MINUTE

In ER visits for medicine poisonings, parents often say that they only turned their back for a minute.



#### CURIOUS CLIMBERS

Research indicates in about half of over-the-counter poisoning cases, the child climbed on a chair, toy or other object to reach medicine.



#### CHILD-RESISTANT ≠ CHILDPROOF

Research suggests about half of accidental poisonings involved child-resistant packaging.



#### EVERY 9 MINUTES,

a young child (under age 6) goes to the ER because he/she got into medicine, and



#### EVERY HOUR,

a young child is hospitalized, and



#### EVERY 12 DAYS

a young child dies.



#### THE RISK IS REAL: HOW FAMILIES CAN HELP PROTECT KIDS

- Put all medicine up and away, out of children's reach and sight. Remember to keep visitors' purses, bags and coats out of reach, as they may contain medicine.
- Remember child-resistant packaging is not childproof. So put medicine away immediately after every use, even if you need to give another dose in a few hours.
- Save the Poison Help number – 1-800-222-1222 – in your phone and post it visibly at home so other caregivers can find it in an emergency.





## PE News

Your child will be participating in Jump Rope for Heart on April 6. This program teaches the importance of a healthy heart and habits for a lifetime. Donations will be used by the American Heart Association to save and improve all lives that have been touched by this disease.

Our next event is the Running Club's Fun Run, April 13, at 9:45. Our running club will be running one mile, a culminating event, celebrating a successful year of getting fit and having fun. This is also the last month to run Reptile Run. Students will be trying to meet their goal of 20 miles to earn a free t-shirt. Some students are well on their way to earning 30 and 40 mile shirts!! Also, don't forget to encourage your child to exercise at home and fill in the Exercise Logs. Healthy habits, started now, will help with a lifetime of physical fitness!

## Art News

In art class students have been working on making paper faces, while creating emotions and expressing feelings through colors, shapes, lines and textures. Students are reviewing how to overlap paper, how to cut organic and geometric shapes, and how to add contrasting colors to their paper faces.

Students will also be working on symmetrical masks by cutting on the folded part, the edges and the sides to make them look like animals, people, or monsters. While the students are cutting, we will be drawing lines and shapes on both sides and we will finally color them using symmetrical concepts.

Since we have so many talented art students, we have entered them into many different art shows and exhibits throughout Pasco County. Congratulations to Addison Jones, 5th grade for winning 3<sup>rd</sup> place on the Pasco Kids Arts Council. She was selected among many other students in Pasco County. A big thumbs up to Naomi Loo, 5<sup>th</sup> grade and Brooklyn Kirkwood, kindergarten for representing our school at the Pasco County Fair this past February.

Finally, we will be having our Annual Art Show in the Media Center on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m. Flyers will be coming home soon.

## Music News

Chorus and Orff will perform on May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m. in the Café during the Exceptional Student Extravaganza. This will replace the previously scheduled May 8<sup>th</sup> concert. The 2 spring performance dates are May 4<sup>th</sup> at NRES & May 11<sup>th</sup> at Universal Studios. All students must wear black pants, black socks, black shoes, a black belt and their Chorus or Orff polo. Please prepare for these dress requirements well ahead of our concert date. Universal has a very strict uniform policy!

All K/1/2 students who have returned permission forms will be attending a rehearsal field trip at WCHS with music classes on May 15<sup>th</sup> to practice for the "Hats" musical. If you have not turned in a form or the \$3 transportation fee, please do so ASAP. Families will be responsible to bring their students to WCHS at 6:45p.m. to perform in the evening.

## All Pro Dad

The purpose of the organization is to take time and continue to build the bond between yourselves and your children. It is a great opportunity for your children to hear you brag about them to all those that attend.

Our next breakfast will be **Friday, April 20** at 8:45 in the media center. There are several ways you can RSVP for the event: you can send an email ([llacycar@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:llacycar@pasco.k12.fl.us)), or call the school (813-346-0500), or you can go out to the All Pro Dad site (<https://allprodadsday.com/chapters/2228>). Please RSVP so we can plan for the amount of food needed for the breakfasts.

We look forward to seeing you at the next breakfast. If you cannot make this one, we have one more on **May 18**.

## Safety and Security

Please be prepared to show your ID card when picking up your child, volunteering, or visiting the school. We are transferring to a new system and will need to scan ID upon either entering the school or checking your child out of school.

Thank you for your continued support in helping to ensure the safety of all our children.



## Reptile Kindness Run

This year NRES PTA will be hosting the school's kindness run on May 4<sup>th</sup>! This means that 100% of the donations we received will stay in the school. All students will participate in the kindness run during their specials time. They will earn bracelets for each lap they run and the top boy and girl in each grade level will earn a medal. Our goal for this event is \$5,000 and for each student to try and earn \$10.00. Book Fair vouchers will be awarded for students that earn the most pledges. The proceeds will go towards a new marquee sign in front of the school. Donations can be turned in daily with the deadline of May 3, 2018.



## PTA April News

Happy April everyone! Our year is almost over but we aren't finished yet. The Extravaganza will be held on Friday May 4<sup>th</sup>. Since this is the same day that our school will be having the Reptile Kindness Run, we will need volunteers from 8:30 am until the extravaganza is over at 7:00 pm. You can volunteer to hand out bracelets to the students for their laps that they run. We will also need volunteers at the Book Fair that is going on all week and to set up for the extravaganza. In order to volunteer you must be an approved volunteer through Pasco County Schools. If you are able to help volunteer, please email me with your name and the time that you will be able to help. This is a big event and it is one that the kids have so much fun at. We appreciate any and all volunteers who offer their time to support our school on this day. Thank you for always supporting the PTA and supporting New River Elementary! There is still time to become a member. If you would like to find out more information, please contact Amy Goforth at [agoforth@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:agoforth@pasco.k12.fl.us).



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