

Dear Willow Springs Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Willow Springs Elementary School for the 2020-21 school year! Please read and open the information below as there are time sensitive documents that need to be reviewed as well as good to know information and resources for the upcoming school year.

**Forms to be electronically returned by September 7, 2020**

- [Emergency Care & Health Care Information](#)
  - Please review the forms for accuracy and only update if changes are being made
- If you do not have a ParentVUE account, please scroll down for more details below
- [Identification of Military Connected Students Form](#) (if applicable)
  - Please return to [gbthompson@fcps.edu](mailto:gbthompson@fcps.edu) (if applicable)
- [Annual Notice Opt-Out booklets](#) (if applicable)

**Social Media Accounts**

- [Connect with Willow Springs on Social Media](#)

**Student Information System – SIS ParentVUE Account and FCPS 24-7 Learning (Blackboard)**

- Please note that it is necessary to have an active Student Information System (SIS) ParentVUE Account to be able to login to FCPS 24-7 Learning
- Access information about your child's attendance, progress reports, demographic data, courses, and more; [all in one place through SIS](#)
- Blackboard allows FCPS to extend learning beyond the traditional school day. Students, parents, and teachers are invited to use FCPS 24-7 Learning to access classroom announcements
- The same login credentials will be used to access both the SIS and FCPS 24-7 systems

**If you are new to FCPS or do not have a ParentVUE Account**

- All returning and FCPS transfer students should have a ParentVUE account
- Kindergarten and new to FCPS students were mailed an account activation key with instructions the week of August 24, if you have not already done so, please activate your account as you will need to access it to review emergency care and health forms
- If you did not receive the activation letter please email [Liz Flaherty](#), she will be able to provide you with next steps for setting up your account

**News You Choose (NYC)**

- WSES sends email communication twice a week, Tuesday from the PTA and Friday from the principal

- Community members can select what information they want to receive and how often from an individual school, the School Board office and members, departments, programs, and PTA/PTO and booster organizations
- [Click here](#) to sign up and select your News You Choose subscriptions

**e-Notify**

- FCPS automatically enrolls parents and employees using contact information from the student and staff information systems
- FCPS central offices and schools use e-Notify to provide families and employees with three types of messages:
  - Attendance (an automated calling system that calls and e-mails parents the same day an absence occurs)
  - Emergency (school closings and delays)
  - Outreach - via e-mails and phone calls

We are looking forward to the virtual opening of the 2020-21 school year!

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