



Cougar Tales

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES



One of the most important things a parent can do for their child is to take an active part in their education. Believe it or not the third 9 weeks grading period will end soon and that means conferences are just around the corner. Our late nights are March 21 and 26, 2019.

Your child's teacher will be contacting you soon about a conference time.

STORYBOOK CHARACTER DRESS-UP DAY

In honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, we will have Storybook Character Dress-Up Day on Friday, March 1, 2019. Start getting your costumes ready today to represent your favorite storybook character. I cannot wait to see the creative costumes that you wear!



Snow Make-Up Day



Originally, March 29th was scheduled as a student holiday. Due to missed days, students will now attend school on March 29, 2019.



CUSTODIAN AND MAINTENANCE APPRECIATION WEEK



March 4 thru 8 is Custodian and Maintenance Appreciation Week. Please make sure that you tell Ms. Faye, Ms. Caroline and Ms. Debbie Sue how much we appreciate our nice clean school and all that they do for us at Cowpens Elementary School.

- **4K/5K Registration on March 7**
- **Snow Make-Up on March 29**
- **Conferences on March 21 and 26**



**“EXTRA SPECIAL” REGISTRATION DAY FOR 2019-2020
4 AND 5-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN *
COWPENS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
MARCH 7, 2019 from 11:00 to 6:00 PM**

Bring Your Child With You to Register

Meet the Teachers
Complete Registration Forms
Receive Tattoos and Balloons
Enjoy Refreshments
Take Home a Book and Goodie Bag for your 4K/5K child

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO BRING WITH YOU!

- Proof of residence with current address: 3 documents are required: Property tax receipt, rental/lease agreement, employer & insurance forms, tax prep forms (first page), mail from state/fed programs (Snap/Food stamps/Medicaid, etc.)
- Driver's License or State Photo ID with current Cowpens address
- SC Certificate of Immunization
- Registered Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card or Number

Registration with the office staff will be held March 21 and March 26 from 3:00 until 5:30 PM. The special activities and treats listed above are only available on March 7, 2019.

*A child must be 4 or 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2019.

*Children who are currently enrolled in Ms. Sparks' or Miss Allen's 4K classes do NOT need to register for five-year old kindergarten.

5K-Grade 5 Requirements

South Carolina Immunization Requirements for School 2019-2020

The following minimum immunization requirements are necessary for a child to be admitted to any public, private, or parochial school, grades 5K-12:

Vaccine	Grade	Grade Level Requirement
Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis	5K-12	Four (4) doses of any combination of DTP, DT, DTaP, Td, or Tdap vaccine with at least one (1) dose received on or after the fourth birthday
Tdap Booster	7-12	One (1) dose of Tdap vaccine received on or after the 7 th birthday This dose of Tdap may be included as one of the doses needed to meet the requirement for Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis.
Polio	5K-7	Three (3) doses of oral and/or inactivated polio vaccine with at least one (1) dose received on or after the fourth birthday
	8-12	Three (3) doses of oral and/or inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) with at least one (1) dose received on or after the 4 th birthday OR four (4) doses of oral and/or inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) before 4 th birthday (if all doses separated by at least 4 weeks) Follow CDC recommendations for students 18 years of age and older
Measles, Mumps and Rubella	5K - 12	Two (2) doses of MMR vaccine with both doses received on or after the first birthday and separated by at least 4 weeks
Hepatitis B	5K - 12	Three (3) doses of hepatitis B vaccine, with the third dose received ≥ 24 weeks of age and at least 16 weeks after the first dose
Varicella	5K - 5	Two (2) doses of varicella vaccine with both doses received on or after the first birthday and separated by at least 4 weeks or a positive history of disease.
	6-12	One (1) dose of varicella vaccine received on or after the first birthday or positive history of disease

Please note:

- Children enrolled in 4K programs and younger must meet Childcare Requirements, even if attendance is in a school setting.
- Children enrolled in 5K through Grade 12 must meet School Requirements.

Pursuant to Section 44-29-180, South Carolina Code of Laws, and South Carolina Regulation 61-8, "no superintendent of an institution of learning, no school board or principal of a school...may...enroll or retain a child or person who cannot produce satisfactory evidence of having been vaccinated or immunized so often as directed by the Department of Health and Environmental Control.... Records of vaccinations or immunizations must be maintained by the institution, school or day care facility to which the child or person has been admitted."

Immunization Requirements for 4K

South Carolina Immunization Requirements for Childcare 2019-2020

The following minimum requirements are necessary for childcare. These requirements will be effective as of July 1, 2019. This includes preschool attendance for 4K programs and younger. A SC Certificate of Immunization with an expiration date is acceptable to allow for age-appropriate completion of vaccination series. No child can attend childcare or preschool for more than 30 days past the expiration date of the certificate.

Vaccine	Requirement
Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis	Four (4) doses of any combination of DTP, DT, or DTaP vaccine
Polio	Three (3) doses of any combination of oral or inactivated polio vaccine
Haemophilus influenza Type b (Hib)	Current, age-appropriate Hib vaccination according to the currently published immunization schedule. For children 15-59 months of age who have not yet completed age-appropriate Hib vaccination, one (1) dose of Hib vaccine at or after 15 months of age is required. Hib vaccine is not required for children 5 years of age and older.
Measles, Mumps and Rubella	One (1) dose of MMR vaccine received on or after the first birthday
Hepatitis B	Three (3) doses of hepatitis B vaccine with the third dose received ≥ 24 weeks of age and at least 16 weeks after the first dose
Varicella	One (1) dose of varicella vaccine received on or after the first birthday or positive history of disease
Pneumococcal	Current, age-appropriate pneumococcal vaccination according to the currently published immunization schedule. For children aged 24-59 months who have not yet completed any age-appropriate pneumococcal vaccination, one (1) dose of PCV13 on or after the 2nd birthday is required. Pneumococcal vaccine is not required for children 5 years of age and older.

Please note: Children enrolled in grade 5K or greater and enrolled in a childcare facility (e.g., after school and/or summer program) must meet school immunization requirements and have a valid SC Certificate of Immunization on file at the childcare and school facility.

Pursuant to Section 44-29-180, South Carolina Code of Laws, "...no owner or operator of a public or private childcare facility as defined in Section 63-13-20 may...enroll or retain a child or person who cannot produce satisfactory evidence of having been vaccinated or immunized so often as directed by the Department of Health and Environmental Control. Records of vaccinations or immunizations must be maintained by the institution, school or day care facility to which the child or person has been admitted."

A NOTE FROM OUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR



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“No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.”
- Aesop

On February 14, 2019, our school celebrated Kindness Day. It was so exciting to see all the kids who wore red or pink to show support for kindness. Our students understand that Kindness Day is not just one day but, every day at CES!!!

Please take time to talk with your child about showing kindness. There are simple things your child can do to show others they care. Some examples of kindness are: smiling at someone, complimenting a teacher or friend, making a new friend, saying “good morning”, inviting a friend to play, being there for someone in need or holding the door open for someone. The list goes on and on. Please encourage your child to show kindness to others here at school and outside of school.

Thank you for helping make this world a little brighter by spreading kindness! As always, if I can be of assistance, please feel free to contact me at 279-6307 or by email at abella@spartanburg3.org.

Sincerely,

Angela Bellamy
School Counselor

TERRIFIC KIDS FOR FEBRUARY

Matias Vazquez-Paniagua	Brayden Henson	Brooklyn Byrd
Maxwell Hiltgen	Matthew Smith	Avery Brooks
Brandon Pascual-Chavez	Emma Loftis	Carter Jolly
Aubrey Hembree	Bradley Hembree	
Abby Lindsay	Honesty Mayes	
Iris Salto-Lara	Sheldon Hinkle	
Tanner Bogan	Makenna Crowe	
Amani Cummings		

We are a Title I School and we welcome your input.

Por favor solicite que le traduzcan esta información tan pronto como sea posible. Muchas gracias.

Пожалуйста переведите эту информацию для Вас как можно скорее. Спасибо.

Thov muab tsab ntawv qhia no txhais rau koj sai li sai tau. Ua tsaug.



Cowpens Kids for a Cure

Statement of Non- Discrimination

Spartanburg School District Three does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs or activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following person(s) has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-crimination policies: Rodney Goode, Superintendent of Personnel and Pupil Services 3535 Clifton Glendale Road Glendale, SC 29346 (864)279-6000 rgoode@spartanburg3.org



The Cowpens community, families, and students proved once again that they are generous, kind and concerned about others. Cowpens Kids for a Cure raised \$3348.62 for the Cowpens Elementary School Relay for Life Team and the American Cancer Society! This year's royalty includes: Queen-Haven Zuercher, King-Brycen Carter, Princess-Kallie Henslee, and Prince-Lukas Bailey. Congratulations to these students and "Thank you" to all who participated and contributed.



Art and Music Atlas Nominations

We are now accepting applications for 2019-2020 Art and Music Atlas for students currently in grades 3-5. Students may pick up a self- nomination form and forms to be recommended by the classroom teacher, parent and a music or choir teacher. A student earns points for each nomination completed. All Art and Music Atlas nomination forms are due back by March 8, 2019.

