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Eaton Rocketeer

The mission of Eaton Elementary is to develop independent thinkers and patient problem solvers for life.

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From the desk of Mrs. Baessler, Principal





April can be a hard month to keep your child motivated about learning because spring fever sets in. Here are a few easy ways to help increase your child's motivation.

1. Be a learner yourself. Let your child see you read books. Go to the library.
2. Share what you learn.
3. Talk about new ideas or scientific discoveries with your child. Discuss things you read or hear.
4. Show an interest in what he/she is learning. Ask questions simply to learn and share—not to check up on your child.
5. Believe he/she can learn. If you show faith in his ability to learn, he/she will have more confidence in his ability as well.



Kindergarten Round-up materials are on our website. There is also a video to help anyone new to the process. Adults will need to bring their state issued identification so we can print a visitor badge. On April 10th we will have kindergarten round-up from 8-2:30. PreK and Kindergarten will not attend school that day.

PURPLE UP FOR MILITARY KIDS MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

We are continuing the initiative to recognize our military children in April during the Month of the Military Child (MOMC). If you or your spouse is currently serving please complete the link: https://forms.office.com/r/xM2sXNjgxj

From Ms. Welden, Vice-Principal



Happy Spring! It is so wonderful to see flowers and trees blooming. Warmer temperatures mean more time for outdoor recess and time to enjoy the outdoors.

The TNReady test will begin April 14th for our 2-4th grade students. Please watch for more information on specific testing dates. Our students have worked hard all year, and this is their opportunity to show what they have learned. Below are some helpful tips to prepare for and stay focused during the test.

Before the Test

- Sleep well.
- Eat breakfast.
- Bring what you need (pencils, glasses, etc.).

During the Test

- Read every question carefully.
- Look for clue words (not, best, first, main idea, sum).
- Cross out wrong answers to help you choose.
- Go back to the text for reading questions.
- Show your work for math.
- Skip and return if you get stuck.
- Check your answers before turning it in.

Stay Focused

- Keep your eyes on your own work.
- Take a quiet breath break if you need to reset.
- Use positive self-talk: "I can do this!"

After the Test

- Be proud—you worked hard!
- Remember, testing shows growth, not perfection.

S.T.A.R.
S – Slow down
T – Think carefully
A – Always check your work
R – Relax and do your best

Rocket Update

As we enter second semester, we wanted to remind everyone regarding teacher requests for the 26-27 school year. We will not be accepting specific teacher requests. If you send a letter with a specific name(s), it will not be reviewed. Instead, we encourage parents who feel led to send a request to focus on the qualities of a teacher that they feel would best suit their child's needs. We believe that this shift will contribute to a more inclusive and well-rounded educational experience for all students. While we understand that some families may have specific preferences, we are confident that our dedicated and talented teaching staff will continue to foster a nurturing and supportive atmosphere for every student. If you have a specific non-request, please email Mrs. Baessler at baesslera@loudoncounty.org. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work together to create an optimal learning environment for all students.



2026 Summer School

Week 1: May 26th - May 29th (Tuesday-Friday)
Week 2: June 1st - June 4th (Monday - Thursday)
Week 3: June 8th - June 11th (Monday - Thursday)
Week 4: June 15th - June 18th (Monday - Thursday)
TCAP Re-take Assessment for 3rd grade ONLY:
May 27th and 28th

Web Site/Skyward: If you need up-to-date school information and dates of special events, you can visit www.eatonschool.org, www.facebook.com/EatonElementary
Instagram: eaton.elementarytn
X: @EatonElementary
App: Loudon County Schools

A great way to stay on top of your students contact phone numbers, attendance, and grades is by accessing Skyward. You will need this access to view your child's 26-27 homeroom teacher on July 17th. If you do not know your Skyward username or password contact Mrs. Housley at housleya@loudoncounty.org

APRIL

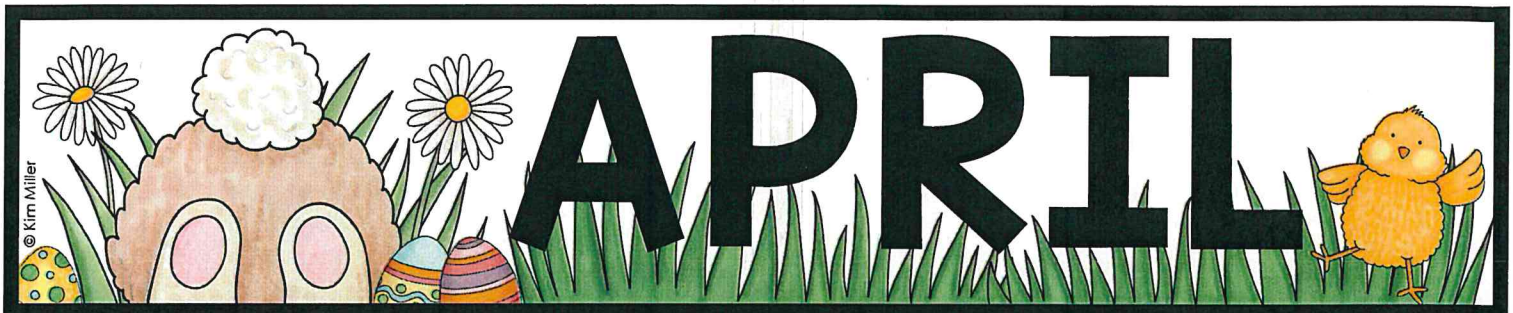
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
12	13	14 3rd/4th ELA 1 testing DAY	15 3rd/4th ELA 2 & 3 testing DAY	16 3rd/4th ELA 4 & SC testing DAY	17 TNReady Make-up	18
19	20 2nd ELA 1 testing DAY	21 2nd ELA 2 & 3 testing DAY	22 3rd/4th Math 1 & 2 testing DAY	23 3rd/4th Math 3 testing DAY	24 TNReady Make-up	25
26	27 2nd Math 1 testing DAY	28 2nd Math 2 testing DAY	29 TNReady Make-up	30 Rocketeer goes home	Notes:	

CSP: (Community School Partnership previously our PTO)



Signup to volunteer today:
https://bit.ly/25-26EESVolSignup

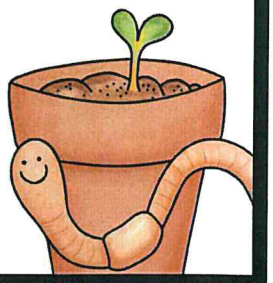
Next Meeting:
Tuesday April 7th @ 9:15



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
Notes:			1 Parapro Appreciation Day APRIL FOOL'S DAY	2 Fire Drill	3 GOOD FRIDAY	4 Librarian App. Day
5 HAPPY EASTER	6	7 Vice Principal App. Week	8 Last day for LAUNCH	9 Purple Up for the military parent CONFERENCES	10 PreK-K Round Up College and Career Day	11
12	13	14 3rd/4th ELA 1 testing DAY	15 3rd/4th ELA 2 & 3 testing DAY	16 3rd/4th ELA 4 & SC testing DAY	17 Bike Rodeo 5:30-7:00	18
19	20 2nd ELA 1 testing DAY	21 2nd ELA 2 & 3 testing DAY	22 EARTH DAY 3rd/4th Math 1 & 2 testing DAY	23 3rd/4th Math 3rd testing DAY	24 Rocket Reporter	25
26	27 2nd Math 1 testing DAY	28 School Bus Appreciation 4th F/T 2nd Math 2 testing DAY	29 Kindergarten F/T	30 Rocketeer goes home ALS Coin War Robert Towns Track	Notes:	



MAY



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
Notes: Stay tuned for Teacher Appreciation Week daily theme ideas					1 ALC Coin War 2nd grade Yard Party 3rd grade F/T School Lunch Hero Day	2
3 Teacher Appreciation Week	4 Star Wars	5 No School CINCO de MAYO	6 School Nurse Appreciation Legacy Walk @ 9:00	7 4th grade kickball tournament	8 K - Outdoor Games 2nd - Wax Museum 3rd - Luau	9 LHS Graduation
10 MOTHER'S DAY	11 Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast	12 Field Day	13 SWPBS Blast Party 1st - Beach Day Student Celebrations	14 PTO Talent Show 9:30 Walk of Fame @ 1:50 K Celebration	15 Report Cards go home (10:30) ½ day of school (dismissal @ 10:50) last day of SCHOOL	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 MEMORIAL DAY	26 1st week of summer school	27 1st week of summer school	28 1st week of summer school	29 1st week of summer school	30
31	Notes:					

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April 2026 Breakfast Menu Loudon County Schools DRAFT 3/17/26

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
March 30	March 31	April 1	2	3
Pancake Sausage Stick Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Waffles Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Apple Cinnamon Toast Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	French Toast Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Easter Break
6	7	8	9	10
Administrative Day	Pop Tart Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Breakfast Pizza Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Muffin Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Sausage, Biscuit, Gravy Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk
13	14	15	16	17
Pancake Sausage Stick Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Waffles Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Apple Cinnamon Toast Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	French Toast Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Chicken, Biscuit Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk
20	21	22	23	24
Pancakes Cereal Fruit, Milk Fruit Juice	Pop Tart Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Breakfast Pizza Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Muffin Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Sausage, Biscuit, Gravy Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk
27	28	29	30	May 1
Pancake Sausage Stick Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Waffles Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Apple Cinnamon Toast Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	French Toast Yogurt Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk	Chicken, Biscuit Cereal Fruit Fruit Juice, Milk

April 2026 — Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
March 30	March 31	April 1	2	3
Chicken Nuggets, Roll Breaded Okra Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Fruit, Milk	Wild Mike's Cheesy Bites (4), Marinara Sauce Broccoli with Cheese Corn, Fruit, Milk, Cookie	Chicken Sandwich (plain or spicy) Baked Beans, Fries Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Fresh Fruit, Milk	Spaghetti & Meat Sauce Garlic Texas Toast Steamed Mixed Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit, Milk	Easter Break
6	7	8	9	10
Administrative Day	Cheese Sticks, Marinara Sauce Broccoli with Cheese, Corn, Fruit Milk, Cookie	Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Baked Beans Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Baby Carrots Fresh Fruit, Milk	Bean & Cheese Chalupa, Tortilla Scoops Corn, Lettuce, Salsa Texas Ranchero Beans, Fresh Fruit, Milk	Grilled Cheese Bowl of chili Fresh Veggie Bowl, Fries, Sidekick Slushie, Milk
13	14	15	16	17
Chicken Tenders Mac n Cheese, Green Beans, Steamed Carrots Fruit, Milk	Pizza Broccoli with Cheese, Corn Fruit, Milk, Cookie	Chicken Sandwich (plain or spicy), Baked Beans Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Baby Carrots Fresh Fruit, Milk	Sausage (2), Biscuit Tater Tots, Veggie Juice Steamed Apples, Milk	Hot Dog, Chili, Cole Slaw Fresh Veggie Bowl, Fries Sidekick Slushie, Milk
20	21	22	23	24
Chicken Nuggets, Roll Breaded Okra Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Fruit, Milk	Wild Mike's Cheesy Bites (4), Marinara Sauce Broccoli with Cheese Corn, Fruit, Milk, Cookie	Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Baked Beans Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Baby Carrots Fresh Fruit, Milk	Turkey, Roll, Cornbread Dressing Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Fruit, Milk, Pie	Mini Corn Dogs Fresh Veggie Bowl, Fries Sidekick Slushie, Milk
27	28	29	30	May 1
Popcorn Chicken, Roll Mac n Cheese Green Beans, Steamed Carrots Fruit, Milk	Cheese Sticks Marinara Sauce Broccoli with Cheese, Corn, Fruit Milk, Cookie	Chicken Sandwich (plain or spicy) Baked Beans, Fries Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle Fresh Fruit, Milk	Crunchy Beef Tacos, Scoops Corn, Lettuce, Salsa Texas Ranchero Beans Fresh Fruit, Milk	Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, Doritos Fresh Veggies, Vegetable Juice Fresh Fruit, Cookie Milk

Pre-K and Kindergarten ROUNDUP

April 10th, 2026

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

LOUDON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

For Pre-K, the child must be four years of age on or before August 15, 2026.

For Kindergarten, the child must be five years of age on or before August 15, 2026.

PreK and Kindergarten registration will take place at each individual Loudon County School based on the family address and school zoning. The student's legal guardian/parent must complete the forms for registration at the school they will attend.

For the Pre-K registration, parents will need to provide proof of income. Income verification documents include pay stubs, W-2 forms, Income Tax 2025, unemployment compensation, workers compensation documentation, pension stubs, retirement documentation, social security, veteran's benefits letter, child support, alimony documentation, SSI documentation, TANF documentation, foster care reimbursement, Public Assistance payment, TN Care verification.

The Voluntary Pre-K program is specifically funded for children in economically disadvantaged situations. However, we encourage everyone to apply even if they may not qualify as economically disadvantaged because occasionally there are student openings after the economically disadvantaged children are placed in the classes.

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For both Pre-K and K registration, parents will need to bring to registration:

A **state-certified birth certificate** or alternate documentation such as religious, hospital, or physician's certificate showing date of birth, an adoption record, **proof of residence in Loudon County** (utility bill or similar bill, renter's agreement or property tax notice with a matching guardian's official identification). If the child is already 4 for Pre-K or 5 for K, they must bring their **immunization record and medical examination/physical papers**. The medical exam/physical papers can be obtained at the child's pediatrician's office. If the child was born in TN, the birth certificate can be obtained from the Health Dept. or the state website. There is usually some difficulty obtaining doctor appointments and birth certificates at the last minute, so we encourage parents to plan for these needs.

Medical: Healthcare providers must indicate which specific vaccines are medically exempted (because of risk of harm) on the new form. Other vaccines remain required.

Religious: Requires only a signed statement by the parent/guardian that vaccination conflicts with their religious tenets or practices. If documentation of a health examination is required, it must be noted by the healthcare provider on the immunization certificate.

Homeless: No child or youth determined to be homeless shall be denied admission to any school or school facility if the child or youth has not yet been immunized or is unable to produce immunization records due to being homeless. ("Homeless" shall be read using the definition of "homeless children and youths" found within the McKinney-Vento Act.)

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Pre-K Instructional Supervisor, Marvin Feezell, at 986-2036 ext. 4606 or feezelm@loudoncounty.org. For upcoming kindergarteners, call the school your child is zoned to attend for more information about specific kindergarten round-up activities happening at their school. You can find all the names of each school on the district website.

Pre-K and Kindergarten ROUNDUP

10 de abril de 2026

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

LOUDON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Para Pre-K, el niño debe tener cuatro años de edad en o antes del 15 de agosto de 2026.

Para Kindergarten, el niño debe tener cinco años de edad en o antes del 15 de agosto de 2026.

La inscripción para PreK y Kindergarten se llevará a cabo en cada escuela individual del condado de Loudon según la dirección de la familia y la zonificación de la escuela. El tutor legal/padre del estudiante debe completar los formularios de inscripción en la escuela a la que asistirá.

Para la inscripción en Pre-K, los padres deberán proporcionar un comprobante de ingresos. Los documentos de verificación de ingresos incluyen talones de pago, formularios W-2, Impuesto sobre la renta 2025, compensación por desempleo, documentación de compensación para trabajadores, talones de pensión, documentación de jubilación, seguro social, carta de beneficios para veteranos, manutención de los hijos, documentación de pensión alimenticia, documentación de SSI, documentación de TANF, reembolso de cuidado de crianza, pago de Asistencia Pública, verificación de TN Care.

El programa de Pre-K Voluntario está financiado específicamente para niños en situaciones económicamente desfavorecidas. Sin embargo, alentamos a todos a presentar su solicitud, incluso si no califican como económicamente desfavorecidos, porque ocasionalmente hay vacantes para estudiantes después de que los niños económicamente desfavorecidos son colocados en las clases.

Tanto para la inscripción en Pre-K como para la de K, los padres deberán llevar a la inscripción:

Un **certificado de nacimiento certificado por el estado** o documentación alternativa, como un certificado religioso, hospitalario o médico que muestre la fecha de nacimiento, un registro de adopción, **prueba de residencia en el condado de Loudon** (factura de servicios públicos o factura similar, acuerdo de inquilino o aviso de impuestos sobre la propiedad con la identificación oficial de un tutor coincidente). Si el niño ya tiene 4 años para Pre-K o 5 para K, debe traer su **registro de vacunación y exámenes médicos/documentos físicos**. El examen médico/documentos físicos se pueden obtener en el consultorio del pediatra del niño. Si el niño nació en TN, el certificado de nacimiento se puede obtener en el Departamento de Salud o en el sitio web del estado. Por lo general, hay algunas dificultades para obtener citas médicas y certificados de nacimiento en el último minuto, por lo que alentamos a los padres a planificar estas necesidades.

Médicas: El proveedor de atención médica debe indicar qué vacunas específicas están exentas por razones médicas (debido al riesgo de daño) en el nuevo formulario. Siguen siendo necesarias otras vacunas.

Religioso: Solo requiere una declaración firmada por el padre/tutor de que la vacunación entra en conflicto con sus principios o prácticas religiosas. Si se requiere documentación de un examen de salud, el proveedor de atención médica debe anotarlo en el certificado de vacunación.

Personas sin hogar: A ningún niño o joven que se determine que no tiene hogar se le negará la admisión a ninguna escuela o instalación escolar si el niño o joven aún no ha sido vacunado o no puede presentar registros de vacunación debido a que no tiene hogar. ("Sin hogar" debe leerse utilizando la definición de "niños y jóvenes sin hogar" que se encuentra en la Ley McKinney-Vento).

Si tiene preguntas o inquietudes, comuníquese con el Supervisor de Instrucción de Pre-K, Marvin Feezell, al 986-2036 ext. 4606 o feezelm@loudoncounty.org. Para los próximos estudiantes de kindergarten, llame a la escuela a la que su hijo está destinado a asistir para obtener más información sobre las actividades específicas de kindergarten que se llevan a cabo en su escuela. Puede encontrar todos los nombres de cada escuela en el sitio web del distrito.