



Mayo Parent News March 2018

The mission of Mayo High School for Math, Science & Technology is to achieve excellence through challenging curriculum with high expectations in a safe, positive environment to develop future leaders.

Upcoming Events

- **March 1** – Progress Reports Issued
- **March 2** – Dr. Seuss Read –In/ Pajama Day
- **March 7** - Early Dismissal/District Collaboration
- **March 9** -Student Council Blood Drive
- **March 15** Ring Ceremony
- **March 16** - No School/ Professional Development
- **March 20** – Palmetto’s Finest Announcement
- **March 20** - SIC & ABC Joint Meeting
- **March 27** - End of 3rd quarter
- **March 27**- Taste of Mayo
- **March 30** - Regular School Day
- **April 2-6** - Spring Break
- **April 9-13** - Prom Promise Week
- **April 10** - SAT testing
- **April 11** - Report Cards Issued
- **April 14** - Prom

Hello Mayo Families,

With a very productive second semester underway, we are only a few weeks from the end of the third grading period and SPRING BREAK. With spring in the air, things are buzzing at Mayo. Seniors are embracing their last semester of their high school career, and graduation is well in sight. They are bringing in college acceptance letters and scholarship offers every day. We are so proud of our seniors. All of our students need to continue to strive for excellence to prepare for the future. Students, parents, and teachers must continue to work together to improve our student achievement and meet the challenges of tomorrow. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Mrs. Arlene B. Wallace, Principal

Congratulations!!

SC Beta Club Convention 2018

Congratulations to Mrs. Genovia Miles, Ms. Paulette Lunn and our National Beta Club for a very successful State Beta Club convention. Our National Beta Club was the recipients of ELEVEN State Awards: SC State Beta Club President-Kalyn Phillips, 1st place Campaign Skit, 1st place Character Skit (two years in a row), 1st place Creative Writing 10th -Natalie Hinson, 2nd place Creative Writing 12th (Mary Alice Gainey), 2nd place Speech-Div. 1(10th) -Rebecca Hawkins, 2nd place Social Studies-Div. 2 (11th) – Noah Nutter, 2nd place Woodworking – Mac McManus, 2nd place Show Choir, 3rd place On-site Pencil Drawing – Earl McCullough and 3rd place Group Talent. Invitations were extended to MyKenna Blankenship and Camille Knockemus to be Premier Dancers for the National Beta Club Convention. A special thank you to Mrs. Nancy Fletcher, Mrs. Gina Benjamin, Mr. Jay Flowers and Mr. Cole Davis for assisting as excellent chaperones/directors. Mrs. Genovia Miles and Ms. Paulette Lunn served as coordinators and Ms. Paulette Lunn served as a judge at the convention. We exceeded last year’s awards by two- most awards we have ever won at the State Convention in our school’s history. We had over 80 individuals with students, chaperones, family and guests, proudly representing Mayo! We had a blast! Everyone was very complimentary of our students. Shout out to all of the students who competed. So PROUD of these students!! We have PHOENIX PRIDE!!

Academic Challenge

Ms. Kelly Long, Mrs. Nancy Fletcher and the Academic Challenge team completed the season. The Academic Challenge Tournament will be held on March 3 at West Florence High School. We wish them the best. Special thanks to Ms. Paulette Lunn, Mrs. Carol Ross, Mrs. Vonda Baker, Mrs. Lyn O'Donnell, Ms. Jill Knight, Mrs. Layne Smith, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, Mrs. Dawn Taylor, Coach CJ Pietrzak, and Mr. Michael Legette- for assisting with the home matches.



UPCOMING EVENTS

We need your help again. If you can donate bottled water, bags of peppermint or hard candy, or door prizes for the honor roll snack and incentives, we would greatly appreciate it. These items will be shared with the students and staff.

Attendance

All absences require official documentation explaining why the student was absent. This documentation must be turned in within five days of the student's return to school. Please call Mrs. Cindy Bryant, if you have any questions regarding attendance.

Don't forget to checkout our webpage, Facebook page and follow us on Twitter for school information.

Taste of Mayo - Please support the Academic Booster Club with the upcoming Taste of Mayo Fundraiser that will be held **Tuesday, March 27 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Mayo Gym and Conference Center**. Come sample some of the area's finest dishes provided by local restaurants and families. This is a very big project, and we need your help. The members of the booster club are working hard to support our academic programs. All money raised directly benefits our students and the school. We need your help and will appreciate it greatly. There will be prizes for the top selling students. If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact Mrs. Stevette Young, President - stevetteyoung@aol.com or 843-307-0906, Mrs. Trudie Goodson, Vice-President – trudieg1650@gmail.com or 843-858-1220, Mrs. Terri Hinson, Secretary- southerntee@msn.com or 843-230-8990, or Mrs. Carla Bryan, Treasurer – Carla.Bryan65@gmail.com or 843-230-3208.

Individual Graduation Plans (IGP) - Students have gone through the registration process for the 2018-2019 school year and will receive their course verification once the IGP process is complete. Thank you for your help with your child's Individual Graduation Plan and course selections. This process is very important because decisions about next year's course offerings and staff allocations will be determined by what they have requested.

Student Council is sponsoring a **Spring Blood Drive** through the American Red Cross on Friday, March 9. Students 16 years old (with parental consent) and up are allowed to donate. Potential donors are reminded to drink plenty of water and eat healthy meals prior to donating. Parents are encouraged to donate as well. Please contact Ms. Knight via email Jill.Knight@darlington.k12.sc.us with "Blood Drive" in the subject or call 398-2667 to schedule an appointment.

State Testing - Our juniors will be taking the state's assessments – SAT (April 10) and WIN (April 17-18).

The Jostens **Junior Ring Ceremony** will be held on **March 15** at the Mayo Conference Center at 6:30 p.m. This is our pre-graduation ceremony, where parents/guardians/significant individuals present class rings to their juniors. This ceremony is a very special time in the lives of these young men and women, and you are encouraged to come be a part of this event.

Prom –April 14 from 8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. at the Darlington Country Club - Prom may be one of the highlights of high school and being responsible is key for a healthy and safe prom night.

Prom Dresses - In keeping with the elegance and sophistication of the prom, we are asking for female students to email a picture of their prom dress for prior approval. We understand that the prom is a special occasion and are willing to be flexible with the dress code but not dismiss it completely. All females and female guests will need to submit a picture, preferably wearing the prom gown to arlene.wallace@darlington.k12.sc.us by **March 20**. We have wonderful students and want them to have a safe, beautiful prom. Thanks in advance for your support and cooperation.

Junior parents - Mark your calendar. The Jump Start Breakfast for juniors and their parents will be **Saturday, April 21** at 9:00 a.m. Learn about the senior year timeline and costs, the college application process, and financial aid and scholarship information while enjoying a fabulous breakfast. More information to come.

Attendance Reminders - Please continue to monitor your child's attendance. Regulations state that five (5) absences in half unit classes and ten (10) in one unit classes are allowed without the potential loss of credit. Students who miss more than the allotted number of days will not receive credit for the course. Students can make up no more than two absences for half unit classes or four absences for one unit classes. Students can make up seat time through Thursday School or Saturday School. A fee of \$5.00 will be assessed per class hour.