

The BEE MAIL

NAOMI L. BROOKS
ELEMENTARY PTA®

March 29, 2022

Yearbook "BeeBox" Message Deadline Extended to: Mon. April 4

Want a special message for your student in the upcoming Brooks Yearbook? Family members or friends can purchase space for a personal message to a student, a group of students, or even an entire class. Kids love them!

The deadline to purchase and submit Yearbook BeeBox messages has been extended to **Monday, April 4**. [Information about how to purchase and submit on our Yearbook BeeBox page here](#). Thank you to all the families that have purchased and submitted messages.

Submit Your Photos Until April 4

The yearbook team is also collecting any and all photos of students playing sports, traveling, learning, and more from the past year **until April 4**. [Those can be uploaded here](#).

Please add your student's grade level to your last name, when asked after upload, to help us better sort through photos!

Example: Jane Smith-3rd Grade

Many thanks from the Yearbook team!

BROOKS FUN RUN



MONDAY, APRIL 4

Brooks Fun Run Needs Your Help!

[Sign-Up Here to Drop Off Supplies and/or Volunteer](#)

[Please consider donating here to support this fundraiser](#)

[Donate to the Fun Run on Venmo](#)

Our fabulous Naomi L. Brooks students are planning a **FIRST ANNUAL FUN RUN**, an event where students will run, dance, and skip laps to high-energy music, while they're being cheered on by peers and volunteers. **The Fun Run will take place during the school day on Monday, April 4, 2022** (Rain Date is April 5). The Student Council Association (SCA) is leading this event and is raising funds for spring events for the student body. Ms. Houston and Ms. Baskin, two of our wonderful teachers, have been working with our excited students on their plans.

Our students need our help. Please sign up here to drop off supplies, set up, clean up, or even serve as a parent volunteer along the race route, cheering our students on.

Please consider sponsoring the student body by making a donation for their participation. You can donate via Venmo here. (Please note that the Venmo account belongs to a parent of the SCA Treasurer - please write "Fun Run" in the note).

Race day volunteers MUST be registered volunteers with ACPS. If you aren't registered, it's easy! Click here and review the directions under "Volunteer Application Process."

Please remind your student to bring their water bottle!!

If you have questions about this event, please let us know!

Thank you!!

Armita Cohen (proud kindergarten and 3rd grade parent and VP Programs, Brooks PTA)

**You are invited to
STEM + Families Math Night!
April 7 @ 6:30pm
Charles Houston Rec Center**

Join Naomi L. Brooks Elementary and Mathnasium of Alexandria City for a night of fun and games with the whole family! Math Night games are designed for elementary school-aged students and their families, but mathletes of all ages have tested these games out and enjoyed them.

Get your FREE TICKETS for Math Night

STEM MATH NIGHT

+ FAMILIES

**GET YOUR FREE TICKETS AT:
BROOKSPTA.ORG/MATH**

Join us for rewards, giveaways, and a night of math-y fun
and games for kids and parents alike!

The Math Night will be held at the Charles Houston
Recreation Center

**THURSDAY, APRIL 7
6:30PM - 8:30PM**

Brought to you by:

Mathnasium of Alexandria City

(703) 634-5461

mathnasium.com/alexandriacity
4605 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22304



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BY HAVING OUR BUNNIES
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Support the Brooks PTA and order your candy and toy-filled eggs to be delivered and scattered in your yard for Easter morning!

You can surprise your kids, neighbors, or friends for some Easter Morning fun! Let our bunnies do all of the work for you.

25 Eggs – \$25
50 Eggs – \$40
75 Eggs – \$60
100 Eggs – \$75
JUMBO EGG - \$10

Get your orders in by April 13. Delivery: Saturday, April 16 - 6pm - 10pm

[More information and ordering](#)

Brooks April Dine-Out
Sunday, April 3
Panera on Duke Street
4pm - 8pm
ORDER ONLINE WITH CODE:
PRFUND



HELP SUPPORT

NAOMI BROOKS PTA

WHERE 3201 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

WHEN Sun, Apr 3rd

FROM 4:00pm - 8:00pm

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Attention Brooks Military Families

Month of the Military Child

Hello! In April, we celebrate the unique sacrifices of military kids through the Month of the Military Child.

On **Friday, April 22, from 8:15 to 8:45 a.m.**, we will honor our military kids with breakfast and some special guests outside in the Brooks garden -- but we need to know who you are first!

Email me, Josie Beets, mom to fourth-grader Ellis and Army spouse, at josie...@gmail.com and let me know you're kiddo's name, grade, and if you'd like them included in our breakfast.

****We hope our military parents will also be able to participate in this event -- please let us know if you can come!****

Also, let us know if your family has a deployed parent or loved one.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

Josie Beets
(504) 355-7073
josie...@gmail.com

Save the Date!
Brooks Spring Movie Night
April 22



We are preparing for our next Brooks Movie Night - Spring Edition on the playground at Naomi L. Brooks on April 22.

More details coming soon!

**Bumblebee Bonanza
Is Now 2 Events in
1 Fun Weekend!**



**Our Spring Festival is now
2 EVENTS in 1 FUN WEEKEND**

The **Bumblebee**
SATURDAY, MAY 21 • 7PM
An evening for parents to connect and support Naomi L. Brooks

BONANZA
SUNDAY, MAY 22 • 1PM-4PM
NAOMI L. BROOKS ELEMENTARY
Our spring carnival with games, food trucks, and more!

The Bumblee Bonanza is now two events in one fun weekend - May 21-22, 2022.

Brooks Teachers Joining the Fun!

We have some amazing silent auction experiences and sign-on partners with our fabulous teachers and some may even team up to have a booth of their own at the festival!

With all the developing news and info about our big fundraising weekend, we're sending a dedicated BeeMail, "Bonanza Edition" to your inbox every Thursday for the next few months. [You can read the latest news about the event here from 3/24.](#)

**Help Support
Career Exploration Day!
In Partnership With
Cora Kelly + Lyles-Crouch**



PARENTS HELPING STUDENTS DISCOVER CAREERS

CAREER EXPLORATION DAY 2022

CORA KELLY • NAOMI L. BROOKS • LYLES-CROUCH

Hello Career Oriented Family Members and Friends of ACPS:

Times have changed as to how we do career day, but this change has led to a fun and unique opportunity. Join Cora Kelly, Naomi L. Brooks and Lyles-Crouch in helping support our Career Day. See below for how you can help!

Career Exploration Day is quickly approaching and we need YOUR expertise or network to make this the best experience for our students! Whether you work in human services, business management, and administration, information technology, health sciences, or government and public service- we need YOU!

The purpose of Career Day is to expose students to various career options and help them make connections between current learning and future career success. We plan to have speakers from a wide range of career fields as well as an outdoor work vehicle exhibit.

We are asking staff, families, and the community to reach out to people they know to get some career videos. We will create a fun virtual career experience with these videos for our students.

A few things of note:

- Max of 3-4 minutes
- Tell us your name, occupation and where you work
- Answer at least one student posed question during the video (given to you after you fill out the Google form)
- Videos will need to be filmed horizontally
- Can be as creative as you want, even “take us” to work with you for a day!

Submit a video to Google Folder (link given after you fill out Google form) by Friday April 8th, 2022.

What to do if you are interested? Fill out [this Google Form](#) and Ms. Bustard, Ms. Falleroni, or Ms. Trozzi will be in touch with more details.

Thanks,
Ms. Bustard, Ms. Falleroni and Ms. Trozzi

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**HELP STUDENTS DISCOVER
YOUR CAREER!
SIGN-UP TODAY!**

PTAC Summer Camp Directory



Summer registration is open for summer camps. New camps are being listed regularly.

<http://alexvaptac.org/campfair/>

(Link updated!)



When you shop at Amazon a portion of your purchase can benefit Naomi L. Brooks Elementary!

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/54-1991273>

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BROOKS SPIRIT WEAR ON SALE NOW!



Brooks Spirit Wear, now with the official Naomi L. Brooks Elementary logo is [on sale at SquadLocker](#).

10% Of Your Purchase Supports the PTA!

Upcoming Dates

- **April 3: Brooks Dine-Out Panera (4-8pm) Code: PRFUND**
- **April 4: Deadline to submit Yearbook BeeBox message**
- **April 4: First Annual Brooks Fun Run! Sign-up • Donate**
- **April 7: Math Night at Charles Houston @6:30pm - RSVP**
- **April 11-15: NO SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK**
- **April 18: NO SCHOOL - TEACHER WORKDAY**
- **April 22: Military Child Breakfast (8:15am - 8:45am)**
- **April 22: Brooks Movie Night (Movie TBD)**
- **May 21: Bumblebee Night - Parent-Hosted PTA Fundraisers**
- **May 22: The Bonanza 1pm - 4pm @ Naomi L. Brooks**

Frequently Requested Links

STAY CONNECTED

- Make sure you've subscribed to Ms. Hess' weekly emails and ACPS updates.
- Get PTA updates: Just text the message "@nlbrooks" to the number 81010 to sign up for this service provided by the PTA. Email brooks-bees+subscribe@googlegroups.com to receive emails. Like our Facebook page and follow Brooks PTA on Twitter.

- Miss an email? Looking for PTA meeting minutes? Catch up on our website at brookspta.org
- Need internet access? Submit an Internet Access request.
- Need to add school closings to your calendar? Import the Brooks PTA calendar!

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