

The BEE MAIL

NAOMI L. BROOKS
ELEMENTARY PTA[®]

May 3, 2022

Happy Teacher Appreciation Week!



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

May 2 -
May 6

We are over the RAINBOW for our teachers and staff. Help us celebrate our staff for all they do!



M

Wear RED or PINK! Bring your teacher a note, letter, or picture.

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Wear ORANGE! Catered breakfast provided by NLB PTA.

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Wear YELLOW! Bring your Encore or specialist teacher a note, letter, or picture.

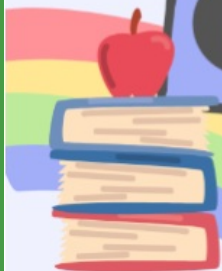


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Wear GREEN! Catered lunch provided by NLB PTA.

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Wear BLUE or PURPLE! Bring your teacher their favorite sweet treat.



Participation is completely voluntary, and if you have another idea to celebrate your student's teachers, we're sure that would be much appreciated, too!

**Walk, Bike & Roll To School Day
TOMORROW
Wednesday, May 4**

WALK BIKE & ROLL TO SCHOOL

Are you ready for Bike/Walk/Roll to School Day 2022 - Wed, May 4?

- Ensure your bike has a bell, light & reflectors
- Wear a helmet
- Obey all traffic signals & signs
- Give a friendly warning when passing
- Plan your route

Bike & Roll to School Day, May 4, 2022, join together in walking, biking, scootering, skateboarding, and rolling to school as part of the movement for year-round safe routes to school. Help us encourage healthy ways to make children's school commute fun and active.

May 4th 2022! ACPS celebrates Walk, Bike & Roll to School. Join us May 4th to celebrate the benefits of walking and biking to school. Remember the thrill of riding a bike for the first time or walking (or rolling) to school. The feeling of joy and independence, sense of adventure and accomplishment! There are many other health, community and environmental benefits to walking, biking or rolling to school. Mark your calendars and plan to Bike, Roll or Walk to school on May 4th and promote biking and walking to school safely in ACPS schools. <https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/>

BeeBox Orders are now closed!
Thank you for your Beebox Messages!

Thank you to everyone who ordered a Beebox Ad (formerly Mariner Messages) for the upcoming yearbook - yearbooks will be distributed in the coming weeks.

We are no longer accepting orders for Beebox ads as the yearbook has been submitted for production.

ACPS Assistive Technology Webinar



Tuesday, May 24, 2022, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This webinar will offer parents an overview of the assistive technology tools available to students with disabilities and learning differences to help increase their success.

Presented by Allison MacMahon, M.Ed., ACPS Instructional and Assistive Technology Specialist

To join the live webinar go to

<https://acpsk12.zoom.us/j/99437147486?pwd=cmUzWlV5VzhVZS8wNFJlJdXNkdjJnQT09>

This event will be posted simultaneously to Zoom and to the Anne R. Lipnick Special Education Resource Center (PRC) Facebook page. For more information, contact Janet Reese, ACPS Parent Support Specialist, janet.reese@acps.k12.va.us, (703) 831-7865, or Courtney Davis, Ph.D., ACPS Parent Resource Center Coordinator, courtney.davis@acps.k12.va.us, 703-824-6764. Interpreter services are available.

Flyer: [Assistive Tech Webinar Flyer \(English\)](#)

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**Field Day is June 7th:
Volunteers Needed!**

Calling all Brooks parents, guardians and friends.

Please join us on Tuesday, June 7th for a fun-filled day of physical activities inside and outside as we celebrate Spring Fling 2022. In order to volunteer you must be an ACPS approved volunteer. [Please visit the ACPS webpage on how to apply.](#)

Be sure to select Brooks as your school when registering.

Sign up for volunteer time slots coming soon!

- **Morning session, Grades K-2, 8:05 - 10:45am**
- **Afternoon session, grade 3-5, 11:25 - 2:15pm**

Please email Ms. Lienau at ashley.lienau@acps.k12.va.us or vpprograms@brooksppta.org with any questions. Thank you!

Bumblebee Bonanza

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

Invitation to Grade-Level Bumblebee Parties Coming To You Soon!

DJ Spratt MCing the Bonanza

We are excited to announce DJ Spratt will be MCing the Bonanza!
Thank you DJ Spratt!

Be A Booth Boss or Volunteer for the Bonanza!

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!

[You can read the latest news about the Bonanza here.](#)

4th and 5th Grade Families Singing Performance at the Bonanza, Sunday, May 22

You are invited to a singing performance with our wonderful 4th and 5th grade students!

Here is the information about the event:

When: Sunday, May 22, 2022 at the PTA Spring Festival (The Bonanza)

Time: 4th Grade- 1:30 PM (please arrive 5 minutes early)

5th Grade- 2:00 PM (please arrive 5 minutes early)

Where: Garden at Naomi L. Brooks Elementary School
(On the playground close to Beach Park)

600 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22301

What to Wear: Feel free to dress up!

I am very excited about this performance opportunity. Your children have worked very hard in music class this year!

Please let me know if you have any questions!

Regards,

Laura Sheikh

Naomi L. Brooks Elementary School

Vocal Music Teacher

Laura.Sheikh@acps.k12.va.us

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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

- **May 21: Bumblebee Night - Parent-Hosted PTA Fundraisers**
- **May 22: The Bonanza 1pm - 4pm @ Naomi L. Brooks**
- **June 7: Field Day at 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](#).
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- Need to add school closings to your calendar? Import the [Brooks PTA calendar](#)!

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