Spring Garden Buzz

May 2025

Our last full month of the school year!



This week, we celebrate our incredible teaching staff at Spring Garden. I always knew as a Spring Garden parent that my kids were in good hands. Now that I get to be here every day with our fantastic faculty, I can tell you that even from the insider's perspective we are incredibly blessed with dedicated, experienced, diligent teachers. It is such a privilege to celebrate them this week!

Our PTO has really stepped up to celebrate our teachers. We started the week with a Waffle Bar breakfast this morning. We will do several rounds of raffle ticket draws, will have a roaming snack cart to deliver treats and kind words to our teachers, and finish off the week with a teacher appreciation luncheon. Thank you to our PTO and to each one of you for supporting our teachers!

You'll see by the calendar below that this month is jam-packed. We are going to go out with a bang – buckle up!

Dr. Babbin

Celebrate your favorite Spring Garden teachers

Is there a Spring Garden teacher who has made a significant impact on your child's life? (For me, the hard part is narrowing it down to just one!)

<u>Please let that teacher -- and the BASD -- know about it by</u> <u>nominating them for the BASD B.E.S.T. award.</u> Nominations can come from students, parents, staff, and community members and are open through May 9. Thank you for spreading the word about our incredible SG teachers!

Nomination criteria:

- Supports students, the BASD, and the community beyond the classroom
- Conveys enthusiasm and is an expert in the subjects they teach
- Has outstanding personal characteristics that enhance teaching and learning
- Is a positive influence on parents, students, fellow teachers, and administrators

Thank you for getting our teachers the recognition they deserve!



- May 5-9: Teacher appreciation week
- May 6: Iron Pigs field trip for 5th grade; 2 3rd grade classes field trip to Bethlehem Area Public Library
- May 7: Author visit: Josh Funk + National School Nurse's Day
- May 9: Safety committee meeting at 8:15 am; Spring Garden Carnival! 4:30-8:00 (Rain date: May 16)
- May 12: PSSA celebration assembly for grades 3-5
- May 13: 3rd grade field trip to DaVinci Center, 1st grade field trip to Crayola
- May 14: 1st grade field trip to Zoellner
- May 15: 4th grade field trip to Philadelphia Zoo; Life Skills classrooms field trip to Mounted Police Barn; All City instrumental concert for selected 5th graders @Nitschmann
- May 16: 5th grade field trip to Steel Stacks; 2 3rd grade classes field trip to Bethlehem Area Public Library
- May 19: Kindergarten welcome day! No school for our current K students as we welcome our newest learners
- May 20: No school -- primary election day and teacher in-service
- May 21: 4th grade field trip Junior Craftsman @the Monocacy, 1st grade field trip to Camel's Hump Farm, 2 5th grade classes field trip to Jacobsburg State Park
- May 22: PTO meeting, <u>9:15 am on zoom</u> (Passcode: 825528) & in person; 2 5th grade classes field trip to Jacobsburg State Park
- May 23: 2nd grade picnic; 4th grade wax museum; 5th grade track meet @LHS; 2 3rd grade classes field trip to Burnside Plantation
- May 26: No school, Memorial Day
- May 28: Spring vocal music concert for grades K, 1, 2, 5, 9:30 am (streamed online as well); 4th grade field trip to Steel City Bowling
- May 29: 2 Kindergarten classes field trip to Mounted Police Barn; Instrumental music concert for families, 6:45 pm





All are welcome at our PTO meetings

Join us in person at Spring Garden or on zoom for our next meeting: May 22, 9:15 am! (Passcode: 825528)



Spring sports, summer camps...

Are you looking to get your child involved in spring sports, summer camps, and other fun experiences? Soccer, lacrosse, scouts, and more: check out the <u>flyers about important</u> <u>events</u> on the BASD website.



School will be closed...

- May 19 (Kindergarten only! All other students have school)
- May 20
- May 26

BASD Liberty summer soccer camp

If your child is heading to Northeast & Liberty after they leave us at SG, then they are eligible to join the Liberty youth soccer camps this summer! These camps are led by the coaches and student athletes on the Liberty team. They will be fun and a great way to get involved in soccer. New players are welcome! The cost is \$50 per child and financial assistance is available! Register here!



Kindergarten registration is open!

We can't WAIT to meet our new kindergarteners next year! <u>The BASD registration portal is open for kindergarten. Please register your child</u> and spread the word to your friends and neighbors.



May Dine & Donate

Keep an eye out for details coming home about our May Dine & Donate opportunity. It will happen at Panera on Route 512 on May 30!



The SG carnival is coming!

Mark down May 9 -- you don't want to miss our carnival! As we prepare, we are still looking for volunteers. <u>Please sign up if you can help.</u> Free tickets for volunteers!

May lunch menu









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