



## Flat Rock “Eagles” ~ Week at a Glance Virtual Learning Edition

**Monday, April 6, 2020 – Friday April 10, 2020**

**SPRING BREAK**



We, and many within our community, were sad to hear the news that schools are now closed for the remainder of the school year throughout Georgia. Governor Kemp made this decision in an abundance of caution for the safety and well-being of the people of our state due to the COVID-19 pandemic spread. Because of the extended closure, there will be information coming later to address the plan for students and staff to retrieve personal items that are still at school. In the meantime, the school building is closed, which means no one will be allowed to pick up any belongings at this time. We want our students and staff to unplug and enjoy a break from the world of school and learning. There will be no instruction or business taking place this week. We will be back up and running via our virtual platforms on Monday, April 13, 2020. Enjoy the break!

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### Reading Millionaires for March

Congratulations to the 6th Grade taking the lead with 11,444,315 total words read. In second place the 7th Grade with a total of 10,533,247 and trailing closely behind the 8th Grade with a total of 10,259,403. Remember students the year is not over yet and your free ebooks count!

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### **A message from our Media Specialist Ms. Upshaw**

Starting the Monday after spring break, April 13th, there will be a blue bin outside the front doors at FRMS where students can return their library books. The bin will be there Monday - Friday from 7 am - 2 pm until at least May 22nd. Students do not have to return their books until May 22nd if they are still reading them, in fact, I encourage students to take this time to finish reading all the books they have checked out. We can't go anywhere for a while, so what better way to escape than through a book. And remember to take a Reading Counts test for the books read!

#### Returning Library Books

- Return library books to the blue bin next to the front doors of FRMS.
- Available: April 2 - 3 (available now until 2 pm on Friday, April 3rd) and April 13 - May 22, 7am - 2pm (not available during spring break and on weekends)
- Late fines for library books have been suspended for this year, so do not worry about books your student left at school.
- Remember that free ebooks are available for students to read. I am attaching a list of ebook resources that are available for students. I continue to update the list so check the FRMS Media Center Blackboard page for the most up-to-date information.

Please email Cassie Upshaw ([Upshaw.cassie@mail.fcboe.org](mailto:Upshaw.cassie@mail.fcboe.org)) with any questions.

[Ebook Resources](#)

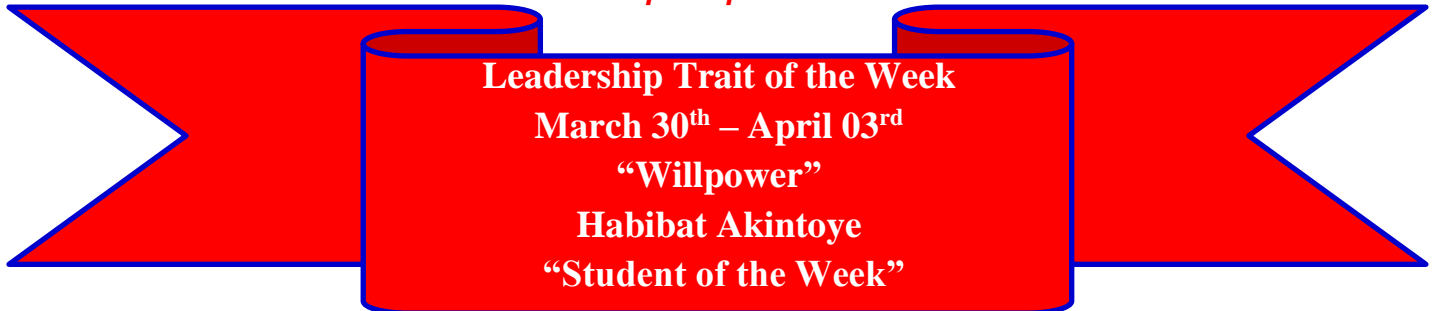


The sudden change of school dynamic has many of us frustrated and looking for a little guidance on how to make homeschool work. The link provided gives tips on how we can better manage our student's workload and help make life a little easier in these times of uncertainty. <https://www.mnb.com/settingroutines>

### Leadership Word of the month for March

#### ~Self-Discipline~

*Having a strong sense of self-control in order to reach a desired goal or to rise to your commitments or principles.*



**Willpower - strong determination that allows one to do something difficult.**



During this time when students are at home, yet still expected to continue their learning, it would be easy for students to become distracted and spend time doing other things besides schoolwork. Habibat is a wonderful example of a student who has continued to stay current in all of her classes. She regularly keeps in touch with teachers virtually, asking questions or just checking in. She has completed all of her assignments in all of her academic classes and maintained her usual standard of excellence in every assignment she completes. All the teachers on 8B admire Habibat's work ethic and her willpower to stay focused and to keep her learning moving forward. We are proud and privileged to have her on Team 8B.

### Updated Chromebook Support

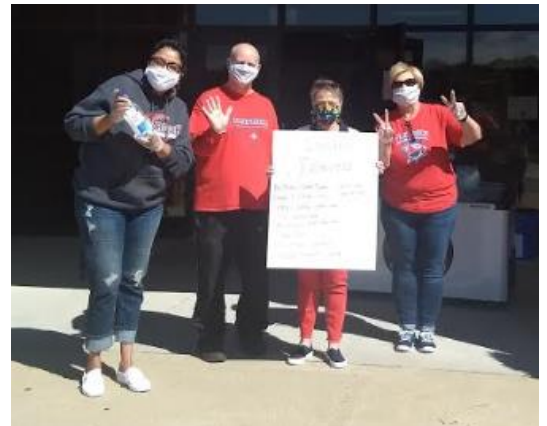
In order to provide our students and staff with the tools they need to access their learning resources, the Technology Services Department will provide a Chromebook drop off and spare replacement program during our school closures.

**Parents can drop off student Chromebooks at the LEC, D building parking lot. Please stay in your vehicle, a technology specialist will assist you. From 10 am - 2 pm, Monday through Friday.** The drop off will be available until further notice. **We will not be available on April 8-10.**

Please check often for updates. If a chromebook is in need of repair, a replacement Chromebook will be issued.

Directions to the LEC: The Technology Services support team will be available in the back of the D building, located in the back of the LaFayette Education Center in front of the FCHS football field.

205 Lafayette Ave.  
Fayetteville, GA 30214  
(Enter parking lot from Tiger Trail)



**We sent our fabulous and hard-working staff off to start an 'unplugged' spring break with a sweet treat, drive-thru at the school.**

**Stay Safe Eagles!**