



# The Welcome Howl!

November 28, 2016

"Welcome to the Possibilities"

## A Word from Mrs. Ketron

Greenville County Schools has adopted a new procedure for screening school volunteers. The main goal in using these new procedures is to ensure safety for our students. Parents or volunteers will be asked to complete a form that collects some basic information from them. There will be two groups or types of volunteers.

- **Level I volunteers** work in the schools under the direction of school staff. Level I volunteers simply complete the form and sign-in and out each time they come to our school.
- **Level II volunteers** can be used as chaperones on field trips or work with students one-on-one. **If a parent wants to attend a field trip, they have to be a Level II Volunteer!** Level II volunteers complete the application AND complete an on-line application which permits

a background check to be completed. Once the school receives approval from the district office, that volunteer can be a Level II Volunteer.

- **You can find a copy of the Volunteer form and access to the on-line portion on our school website on the Title I page under the Volunteer tab.**

We have the volunteer forms in our school office and computer access to assist parents and volunteers in completing the on-line portion. If you need assistance or have questions about this new procedure call Allison Hardin @ 355-5069 or Sara Carpio @ 355-3900. Our front office staff can assist you with this as well. We appreciate your understanding and patience as we implement these new safety measures to protect our students! We love having parents and volunteers working with our students! Thank you for all you do!

## Upcoming Important Events

Dec. 1-12	MAP Testing
Dec. 2	School Spirit Day, Wear your Welcome shirt! Honor Chorus sings @ Haywood Mall 4 pm
Dec. 7	Student Council Meets @ 7:20 am
Dec. 8	SIC meeting @ 12:30 Title I Planning Meeting @ 1:00 Honor Chorus Performance @ 6 pm, Cafeteria
Dec. 10	Honor Chorus singing downtown @ 1 pm
Dec. 13	2nd grade Wizard of Oz Parent Event 6 pm
Dec. 15	Sports Academy Bike Giveaway
Dec. 16	5K and 1st grade Gingerbread Parent Event

Don't forget to send in your  
Box Tops on your Box Top Sheets!



Don't forget to LIKE Welcome on FaceBook!

## MAP testing

MAP testing will take place from December 1st-14th. **Students should be at school everyday and be sure to be on time!** MAP tests are tests that the students take on the computer. We use these tests to see how students are progressing on their grade-level standards. We hope to see growth in their academic knowledge and performance.

## Teachers at Welcome have new and improved websites!

Be sure to check out your child's teacher's website for the most up-to-date information and to follow along with what's going on in

## Welcome's Honor Chorus Performing!

The Honor Chorus at Welcome Elementary, under the direction of Mrs. Judy Wynn has several public performances planned. The 45-member choir has been working to prepare for several holiday performances.

- \* December 2nd @ 4pm @ Haywood Mall-The choir are the show-openers for the annual tree-lighting ceremony!
- \* December 8th @ 6pm, the choir will perform their annual concert at Welcome Elementary
- \* December 10th @ the Hyatt Regency from 1-3 pm-The choir will be performing as part of the Downtown's Holiday Happenings!
- \* February 9th The choir will sing the National Anthem to open a Furman Paladin Men's Basketball game!

We are so proud of our talented singers and their dedicated director, Mrs. Wynn!

School Dance on Friday, December 16th! Admission only \$2.00!

Sports Academy Bike Giveaway! Students can "cash-in" their PAW tickets for a chance to win a new bike! Save up those PAW tickets!