

# FLOYD ENRICHMENT

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## CONGRATS!

We are pleased to announce the 2023-2024 students accepted into Southwest Virginia Governor's School! Our students will be the first to attend the new location on the campus of New River Community College. We are so excited for our returning students who will be Seniors next year, and this wonderful group of Juniors accepted for next year. We wish these determined and motivated young men and women the best! Congratulations!



Quinlan Beegle  
Nyah Da'mes  
Michael Duncan  
Enzo Nunez

S. Austin Quesenberry  
Julia Ramos  
W. Hank Schroeder  
Natalie Tessar

Addison Vest

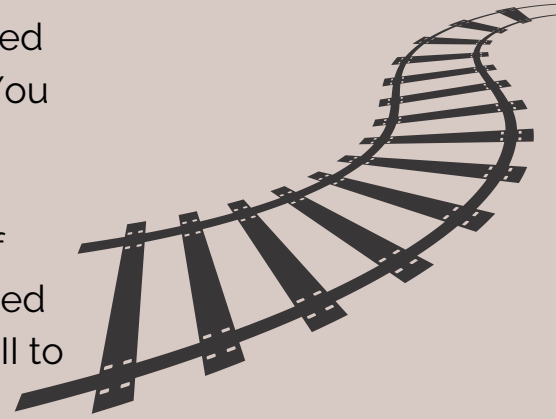
## UPDATES & REMINDERS



- If you don't receive a gifted semester report by 5/26; your child is identified gifted in English and/or math; and in 3rd-7th grades...please email me.
- Second graders identified after universal screening and testing received letters home the week of April 17th.
- Our last day of school and of the fourth nine weeks is now May 25th.

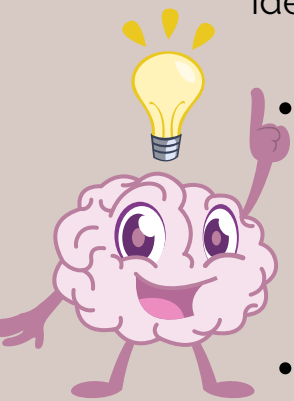
## IS YOUR CHILD ON TRACK IF THEY WANT TO APPLY?

- If you are an eighth grader next year and interested in Roanoke Valley Governor's School, you need to be enrolled in Algebra I by first semester of your eighth grade year. You will also need to commit to taking Geometry in summer school before your ninth grade year.
- If you are a tenth or eleventh grader next year, thinking of applying to Southwest Virginia Governor's School, you need to be enrolled in and on your way to completing Algebra II to apply.
- Maintaining high grades, passing your SOLs with high scores, and good attendance MATTER if you are wanting to apply to Gov Schools.
- Always do your best!



## SCHOOL IS OUT, LET THE LEARNING CONTINUE...

In less than a month, students will be home for the summer! It's an exciting time to catch up on learning loss, accelerate learning growth, and just have fun learning! Thanks to Lisa Van Gemert, M.Ed.T., the Mensa Foundation's Youth and Education Ambassador, for some of the great ideas below!



- Mensa reading challenge- located on our FCPS gifted page are links to the books and grade levels...make this a family affair....like one school one book...one family one book. Encourage reading, comprehension, and critical thinking at home.
- You can also use the Mensa Foundation's Year of Living Poetically program found here: [mensaforkids.org/read/a-year-of-living-poetically/](https://mensaforkids.org/read/a-year-of-living-poetically/) This has twelve poems for students to memorize. complete with activities to help them memorize the poems. Reciting poetry is a lost art!
- Zentangle®. This is a very focused activity, some may even refer to it as doodling...but on another level. Kids can get lost for hours in this activity, adults too. Mensa highly recommends it for critical thinking. [www.zentangle.com](http://www.zentangle.com)

## SPOTLIGHT ON WILLIS ELEMENTARY



At Willis, students are so lucky that Ms. May Stewart leads the way for afternoon enrichment as the Elementary Enrichment Coordinator. They started off the semester looking at invasive species, even creating their own! Second semester, they joined in with the theme of Space and reading *A Wrinkle in Time*. Students discussed what the astronauts can and can not do while in outer space...they loved learning about it! Ms. Stewart also had her kiddos make some art works using string and paint. She said she chose to do this, "to show our unique qualities, since the book talks about embracing individuality, power of love and the importance of family." Ms. Stewart went on to add, "this group was my additional little family."

And that's how I felt every time I joined them after school. Ms. Stewart provided snacks and fun activities for the kids and always made everyone feel at home.

*Thank you for the opportunity to work with your student, I look forward to next year!*

