

July 28,, 2020 *Community Newsletter - Edition XX*

# 'The ROAR'

*Every Monarch, Every Day*

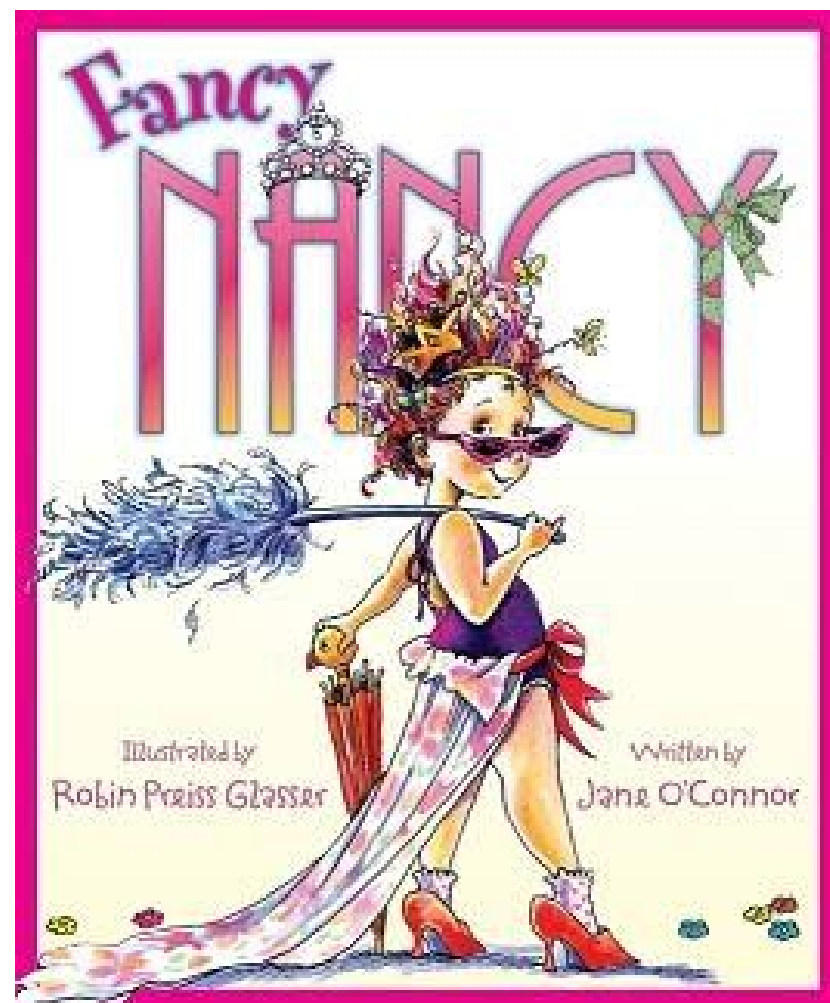


## **Poolville Elementary School**

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## **Events - Summer Vacation**

- **Registration Roundup** = Mon. through Thurs. (July 27th - July 30th) from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

- **After Hours Registration Roundup** = Thurs. (July 30th) from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

- **Yearbook Pickup** = Mon. through Thurs. (July 27th - July 30th) from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

- **Transfer Application Acceptances** = Telephone call outs and letter mail outs will take place throughout the week. Please be expecting great news!

- **Parent Meeting** (Academic Options Q&A Session) = Thurs. (July 30th) and Mon. (August 3rd) in the PHS Cafeteria at 6:30 PM

- **Restock The Classroom** - Spreading Student Smiles and School Supplies One Teacher at a Time = Monday, August 17th from 1:00 to 5:00 PM

## ***A Letter From The Editor: A Lesson From Fancy Nancy***

### **Dear Monarch Friends and Families:**

Conversations, like life, can often take you in unexpected directions. I experienced this “temporary detour” this morning as I carpooled with my wife and fellow educator. The topic of discussion was Fancy Nancy.

Fancy Nancy is a 2005 children's picture book written by Jane O'Connor and illustrated by Robin Preiss Glasser. The book spent nearly 100 weeks on the New York Times Best Seller list, launching a series that now numbers upwards of 80 books, selling 43 million volumes.

Fancy Nancy is a young girl with a larger than life personality, who adores all things fancy. She always dresses extravagantly, wearing boas, tutus, ruby slippers, fairy wings, and fuzzy slippers. Nancy loves using big fancy words such as “iridescent”, “ecstatic”, and “extraordinary” and anything in French. She has redecorated her bedroom with everyday items, such as feather boas, Christmas lights, paper flowers, and hats. Her favorite doll is named Marabelle Lavinia Chandelier.

In Nancy's opinion, her family is ordinary and dresses rather plainly, so Nancy decides to hold a class in the art of fanciness for her family. They oblige, and Nancy helps to dress them in bows, ornaments, top hats, and gaudy scarves. “Ooo-la-la!” Nancy cries in delight. “My family is posh!”

Within seconds,, I found myself creating connections between education under COVID-19 and Nancy’s opinion of her family. Mainstream media is bombarding parents and school districts alike with:

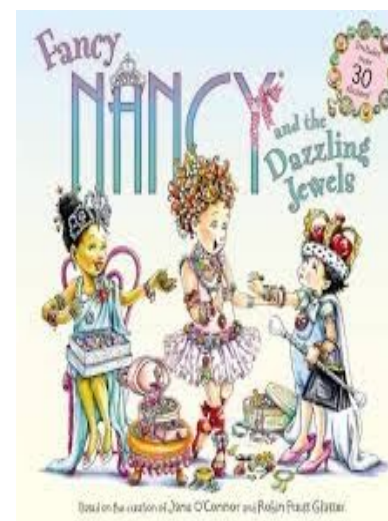
- Online engagement
- Distance learning
- Virtual “this” or “that”
- Delayed starts, and
- Home schooling “miracles”

These initiatives, like Nancy’s garments and decor, are situationally specific. They were never intended to serve as long-term or permanent replacements for an entire family, community, or school district. They are not an end-all-be-all solution for all of your child’s educational needs.

So what is the answer? School. Our school. Our teachers. Our students. Our community. Afterall, it not about having answers and options to every possible situation that might possibly surface as a result of COVID-19. Instead, it’s about knowing what to do together (as a collective community) with the answers we do have.

At Poolville Elementary School, we are PROUD to work hard for you as well as with you! We are all **“Mighty Monarchs”!** ***We are all.....one herd....one pride.....one group.....one TEAM....and one FAMILY!***

**Together we can change the WORLD for our CHILDREN.**



At Poolville, **you and your children MATTER!**

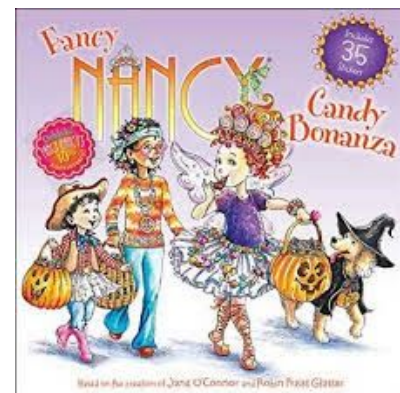
**You are our FAMILY!**

**We can't wait to see you at school in the Fall!**

**In honor of my father, let's all rise together and smell the routine.**

Sincerely,

Jason Cheslock



### ***Houston, We Have Liftoff!***

This picture to the right is one of the most famous countdown clocks on the planet. It's NASA's historic countdown clock, which the space agency retired and replaced four years ago. Two years ago it was restarted for a new audience of launch and tour spectators.

Like NASA, I find myself counting down the hours, minutes, and seconds.

Did you know that we are:

- 13 days away from staff members returning to work (312 hours) [18,720 minutes]
- 22 days away from students returning to school (528 hours) [31,680 minutes], and
- 214 days away from the final day of the 2020-2021 school year (912,840 hours) [770,400 minutes]

So....what's the point?

That is easy. Time waits for no one, and the entire team at Poolville Elementary School cannot wait to launch into face-to-face instruction with all of our AMAZING MONARCHS.  
So...in honor of NASA and this community....let the countdown begin!

### ***Registration Round Up Is Coming!***

So.....what's required to register?

Will you have a new student, a kindergarten student, or a pre-k student at Poolville Elementary School this year? If you answered "Yes", we encourage parents to pre-register their child or children online at:

<https://txcnt03.esc11.net/poolvilleconnect/Registration.aspx>

Once you have successfully completed this process, please visit us any time Monday through Thursday (July 27th through July 30th) from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm to complete the final components of the registration process. School tours will be available during these times. Additionally, we will offer evening registration hours on Thursday, July 30th from 5:00 pm through 7:00 pm.

We cannot wait to see you there.





To facilitate the process, please bring the following items:

- A state issued ID card
- Proof of residence within Poolville ISD (contract on the house, lease agreement, actual title to the house, current Poolville ISD tax statement, or current utility bill indicating the address and the adult's name.)
- For Kindergarten, the child (or children) must be age 5 or older by or on September 1, 2020.
- For Pre-Kindergarten, the child (or children) must be age 4 or older by or on September 1, 2020.
- For the Pre-Kindergarten - 3 Program, the child (or children) must be age 3 or older by or on September 1, 2020. \*Please contact the front office to determine if you are eligible for this program.
- Child's official birth certificate
- Child's immunization record, and
- Child's social security card (Preferred but will not prevent enrollment)

We cannot wait to meet you and your amazing young Monarch!

### ***Did Someone Say "Ascender"?***

Poolville ISD is pleased to announce the release of the new ASCENDER ParentPortal. txConnect Parent Portal will be disabled on July 28, 2020, to prepare for the new parent portal. We will launch the new parent portal on August 3, 2020. Parent Training Guides will be available on the district website for you to review and familiarize yourself with the new parent portal.

Parents will access the new ASCENDER ParentPortal with the same account information (User Name and Password) as before.

If you experience any issues with the new system, please contact your campus office.

### ***Ladies and Gentlemen, Come On Down!***

It brings me great pride and pleasure to announce that all of the elementary school out-of-district transfer request applications received to date have been officially "APPROVED"!

Letters will be mailed momentarily.

Follow up telephone calls will begin early next week.

We are excited that so many of you have selected Poolville Elementary School.

### ***Are you having difficulties getting your child to go to bed?***

Please join us on the Poolville Elementary School Facebook each evening at 8:30 pm. Mr. and Mrs. Cheslock help our Mighty Monarchs explore the benefits of nightly reading. Some of the benefits include, but are not limited to:



- They enrich a child's language development on multiple levels.
- They grow a child's imagination and appreciation for stories.
- They give children an outlet for empathy.
- They build a child's vocabulary so they can be well-spoken.
- They encourage engagement and conversation, and
- They offer a chance to be silly with our little ones

We can't wait to see you there at 8:30 pm every evening.

### ***Meet The Teacher!***

We will host the best Meet The Teacher event ever! More information will follow. However, here are a few details:

- Name =

Restock The Classroom - Spreading Student Smiles and School Supplies One Teacher at a Time

- Date =

Monday, August 17th

- Time =

1:00 PM through 5:00 PM (a come and go style event)

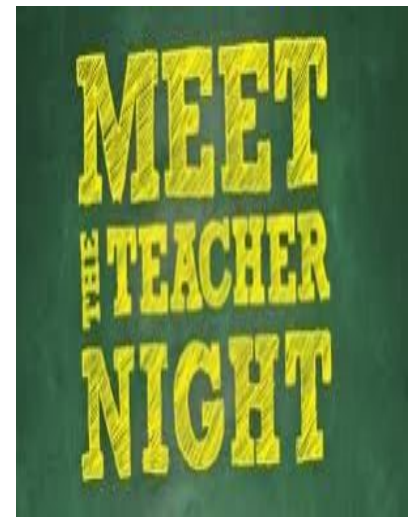
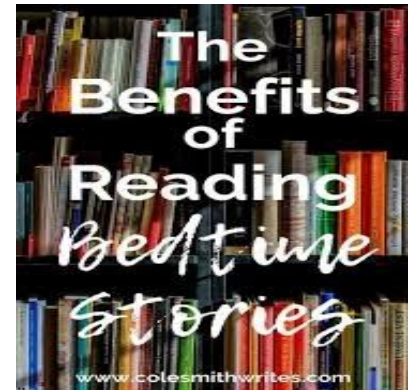
- Purpose =

1. Brief introductions
2. Drop off student school supplies (to ease first day transportation and commotion issues)
3. Parents and students can familiarize themselves with the campus, the classroom, and all appropriate support personnel, and
4. Shower the students with love

Given school safety and COVID constraints, parent/teacher conferencing will not transpire at this time. Those opportunities will be made available later in the semester.

### ***Are You Interested In Pre-Kindergarten Registration?***

Full Day Pre-K Roundup Announcement -- We will host a digital Pre-K registration process for the next several weeks (April 23rd through July 31st). If you are interested, please download, complete, and return the attachment to the right to [jcheslock@poolville.net](mailto:jcheslock@poolville.net). This form will allow us to create a reservation for your future Monarch and to make appropriate plans to super-serve their education! Dates and times for residency verification and online form completion will follow later in July.



**Application for Pre-Kindergarten Classes**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SS #: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ The child must be at least 4 years old by September 1, 2020 unless he or she cannot speak and comprehend the English language.

Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the child speak and comprehend the English language? Yes ☐ No ☐ Circle one

Child's food stamp or AFDC case number, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_ (If food stamp or AFDC case number is provided, skip to signature portion of application.)

☐ Please check the box below if he/she is the child of an active duty member of the armed forces or child of a member of armed forces who was killed or injured while serving.

Names of all household members	Gross Monthly earnings (before deductions)		Monthly welfare payments, child support, alimony	Monthly payments from pensions, retirement, social security	Any other monthly income
	Job 1	Job 2			
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I certify that all of the above information is true and correct and that all income is reported. I understand that information on the application may be verified by school officials and that deliberate misrepresentation may be subject to prosecution under applicable state laws.

I understand that I will need to have a completed Free/Reduced Lunch Program application submitted to the PUSD Elementary Campus between the dates of August 1-August 18, 2020.

Signature of parent or legal guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please continue to visit us on Facebook. At Poolville Elementary School, ***YOU and YOUR CHILD MATTER!***

