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# ON THE LEVEL

## CONTACT YOUR SUPERVISOR

It's time for ALL of you to act! The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has said that full funding to the school system will not be granted. If the Supervisors do not transfer the needed funds, deeper cuts will occur. Call your supervisor now! Tell him/her that the School System needs full funding. We know that people come to Fairfax County for the good schools, superior teachers, and innovative ideas. Also, Fairfax may be less attractive to new businesses if the supervisors continue to short-fund the School System.

Superintendent Dr. Karen Garza spent the last few months conducting many community listening tours, and

developed the budget with input from many sources. At this point, the Board of Supervisors seems uninterested in granting the funds that will be needed because they don't want to increase taxes. Because of this, FCFT encourages everyone to call his/her local supervisor, urging you to tell your supervisor that the schools need more funds to operate effectively. Without the funding, huge increases in class sizes will occur that will affect the quality of FCPS. Do your part. Contact your County Supervisor today! Every call or e-mail helps the Supervisor know that students come first.

## PLEASE KEEP FCFT INFORMED!

If you have changed your home address, moved to a different school, changed your employment hours, or switched your phone number, or private e-mail address, please contact [www.fcft.org](http://www.fcft.org) so that we may update your records. You may also call the office at 703-451-6840. We do not receive this information from HR; you will have to provide it.

If we do not have an updated record, we will not be able to contact you in the event of a problem. Occasionally, this has become a concern for us in trying to reach someone who has called the FCFT office. Rest assured that your private contact information will remain private.





“These men—and women—worked to protect Europe’s cultural heritage at the height of World War II, ensuring its safety in the aftermath and returning works, when possible, to their rightful owners once peace and security were restored.”

Earl A. Powell III,  
Director National  
Gallery of Art



Mark your calendar for  
March 9.

## STATEWIDE TORNADO DRILL

Virginia will have a tornado drill on March 11th at 9:45 a.m. The state urges everyone to participate, but if you cannot participate at that time, choose another time. The important thing is to practice tornado safety. Since 2011, 67 tornadoes have struck Virginia, affecting nearly every part of the state. On Saturday, January 11, 2014, three tornadoes struck southeastern Virginia. *Ready Virginia* has issued some tips should a tornado be seen in the area.

If a tornado warning is issued for your area, do the following quickly.

- Go to a safe place—usually the lowest level of your home, school or office. Stay there until the warning expires.
- If there is no basement, go to a windowless interior room such as a closet, bathroom, or interior hallway.
- Crouch as low as possible to the floor, facing down and covering your head with your hands.

## VISIT THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

Perhaps you’ve seen the movie, *The Monuments Men*, currently showing at local theaters. To celebrate the movie, The National Gallery of Art in Washington, DC is displaying World War II photographs, documents, and memorabilia from February 11 through September 1, 2014. The monuments officers and their families also donated

personal records to the Gallery archives in order that this extraordinary story may continue to be told to future generations and not be forgotten. Go to [www.nga.gov](http://www.nga.gov) for further information about Metro stops and hours for the gallery. You will be able to read about The Monuments Men and their remarkable accomplishments.

## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME IS COMING!

Mark your calendar for March 9. Don’t forget to set your clocks ahead by one hour. Remember the old adage :  
Spring forward - Fall back.

Daylight Savings Time allows all of us to enjoy sunny summer evenings by moving our clocks ahead in the Spring. The Energy Policy Act of 2005 extended Daylight Savings Time.

It officially begins at 2 a.m. on the second Sunday of March and ends at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday of November. Although Daylight Savings Time began in World War I as a way to reduce the amount of fuel consumed at night, it has always been controversial. It usually takes everyone a week or two to adjust to the new time.