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L.O.V.E.
MENTORS

Helping
Children
Learn

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Message from Board Chairman Karen Lindholm



Karen Lindholm
L.O.V.E. Board Chairman

The kindergarten children were lined up after bathroom break standing at attention. I walked out of the office adjacent to their classroom and two little girls broke the line and raced toward me shouting, “Ms. Karen’s here,

Ms. Karen’s here!” The teacher’s assistant gave the signal to get back in line. Obediently they returned to the line.

I waved and said, “Goodbye, see you next year.” When I turned to go the whole line of kids started waving and yelling “Goodbye Ms. Karen, Good bye Ms. Karen.” Satisfied that I had made a difference, I went home.

Earlier that morning at a volunteer appreciation brunch several of us mentors heard a 5th grader read a poem about Purpose and then we watched a video of *The Kid President How to Change the World*. Please go to Google to see what he had to say. Here’s the link.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4z7gDsSKUmU>

**SEE YOU
NEXT YEAR!**

L.O.V.E. stands for Local Outreach Volunteer Educators.

L.O.V.E also stands for compassion, consistency, respect, building relationships, expanding kids’ world and vocabulary. L.O.V.E. Helps Children Learn. One at a time!

Have a safe and carefree summer. See you in the fall.

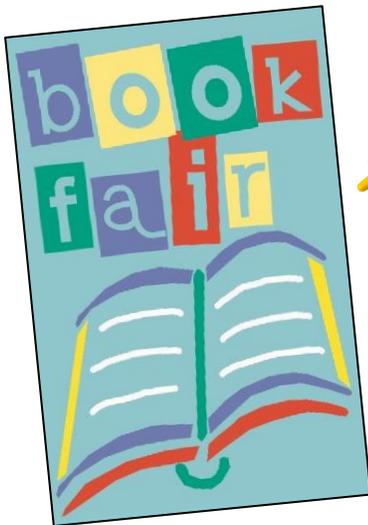
Karen



“Goodbye - see you next year.”

School Starts Again August 3

The start date for Mentors will be targeted for mid to late September. Schools need the time to assess student needs in order to pair them with mentors. Let your Site Director know if you will return for the 2017-2018 school year and if you wish to follow your current students.



L.O.V.E. Fall Book Fair Event

Save The Date: October 23

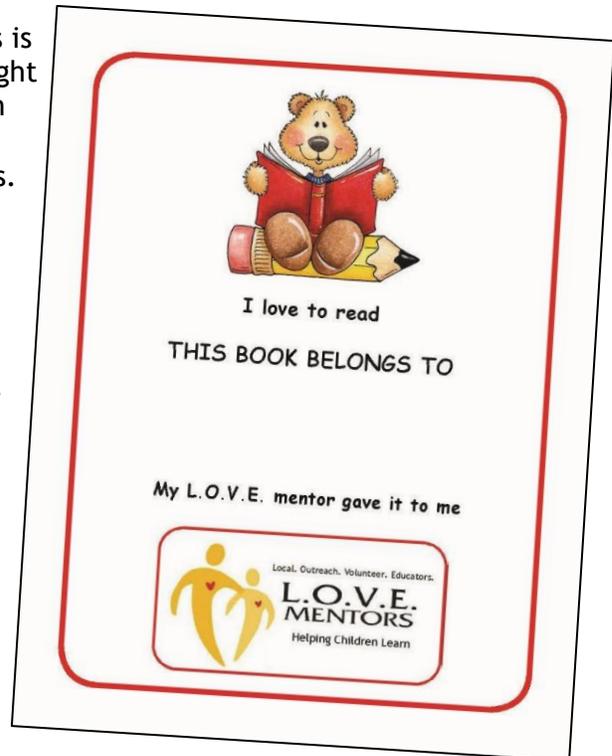
At this popular annual event mentors select books for their students. When they have shown effort by learning to read them, mentors reward their students by giving them the book to take home.

For many children this is the only book they might have of their very own and they are proud of their accomplishments.

L.O.V.E. provides a book plate for each book a child takes home.

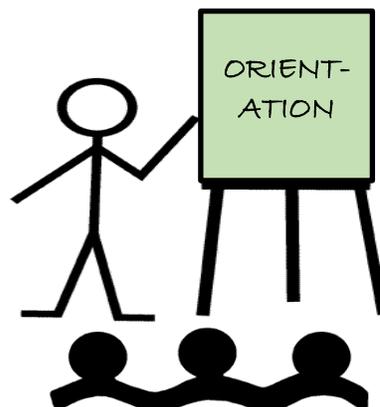
In addition to the Book Fair, L.O.V.E. will present a speaker to talk on a timely important topic. This will be announced in September.

**SAVE THE DATE:
OCTOBER 23RD!**



Fall Orientation and Information Meeting

There will be an orientation and information session for new mentors and those who have responded to the web- site and/or *TWATL* article. The meeting will be held September 18th at 4:00 p.m. the Skidaway Island United Methodist Church. After this meeting mentors who have filled out the volunteer form will be assigned to a school and meet the Site Director. The Site Director provides one-to-one additional orientation and training at the school where the mentor has been assigned.



Summer Camp Program Bigger Than Ever

Thanks to the tremendous efforts of Bill Monroe, FOUNDER and DIRECTOR of the CAMP PROGRAM, and his mentor assistant team, more than 100 students will have the opportunity to attend a local camp this summer—a record number. This is a huge effort for which we shout Hooray to all who made it happen!

For these children, summer camp may be the only opportunity they get to splash in a pool, play outside, learn arts and crafts, or make new friends. Local camps include: The West Broad Street YMCA, Coastal YMCA, Frank Callen Boys & Girls Club, Massie Heritage Center, Cultural Arts Camp and Fresh Air Home.

We are grateful to our sponsors who make it possible for L.O.V.E. to send these kids to camp.



LOOKING FOR A NEW CAMP LEADERSHIP TEAM

After all these years of leading the camp program, Bill Monroe, FOUNDER and dedicated board member, is stepping down. We are looking for a team of people to continue this good work.

We thank our mentors who assisted the camp program in each school:

East Broad	James Bolfik	7 children
Gadsden	Jim Higbee	30
Gould	Erica Fleet	11
Haven	Emilie Miller	4
Low	Judy Moore	23
Pulaski	Ginny Donaldson/Don Gerosa	14
Spencer	Nancy Boyd	13
Windsor Forest	Joy Isaac	5

**THANK YOU MENTORS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR STUDENTS.
THANK YOU FOR HELPING THEM LEARN!**



L.O.V.E. believes that improving a child's education is the foundation for improving quality of life. Classroom teachers have little opportunity to work one-on-one with students. L.O.V.E. provides this benefit to students.

Board of Directors

The ultimate goal of L.O.V.E. MENTORS is to work in partnership with Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools to improve education and support the dreams of Savannah's children.

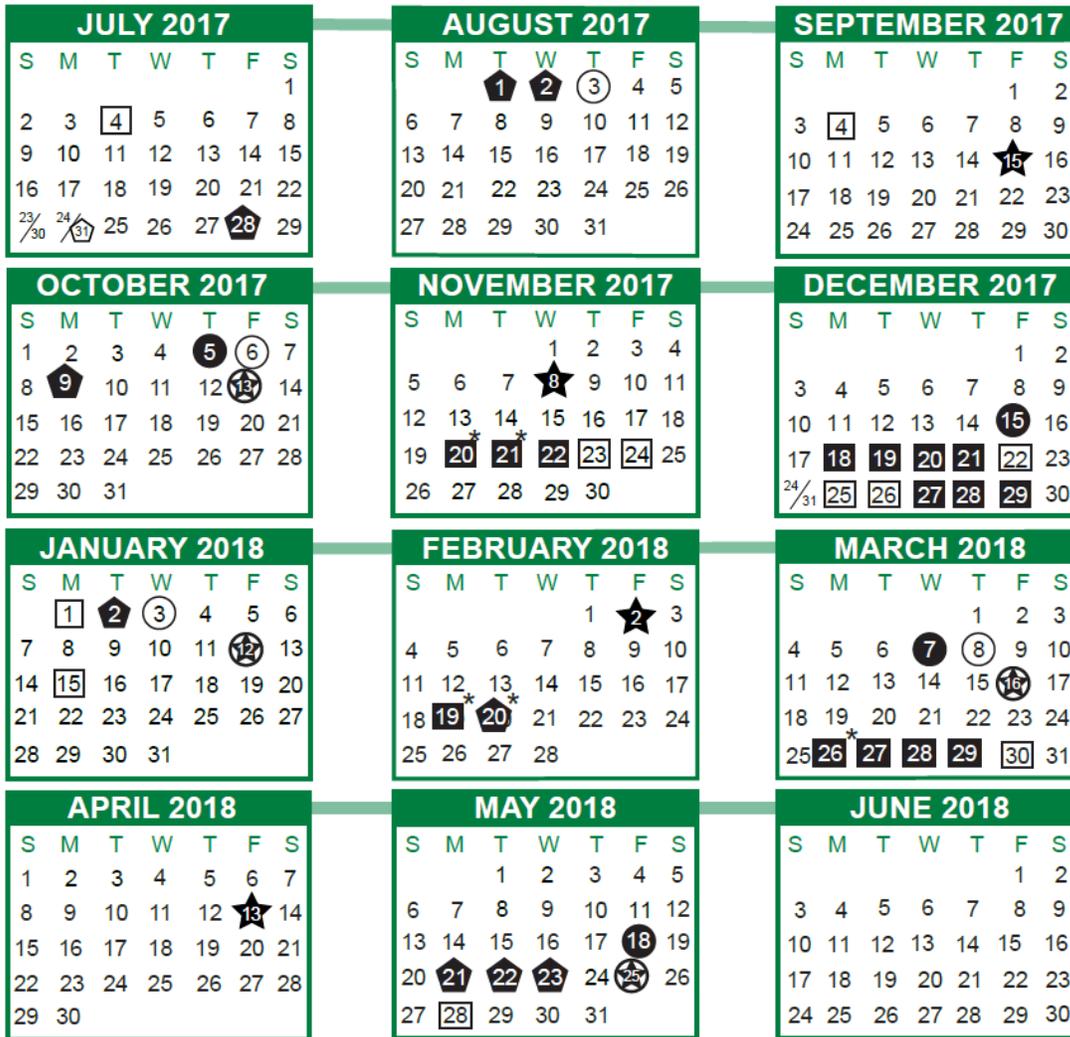
The L.O.V.E. Officers for 2017-2018 are:

Chair	Karen Lindholm
Lead Site Director/ Vice Chair	Barb Stuck
Treasurer/ Vice Chair	Laura Wehrle
Secretary/ Technology advisor	Sam Lambert
Publicity	Carol Fallon
Mentor Support	Ginny Pierce
Recruiting	Dan Malachuk

HAPPY
SUMMER
VACATION!

School Year Range: August 3 - May 18

SAVANNAH-CHATHAM COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR



LEGEND			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Holiday for All	<input type="radio"/>	Nine Week Period Begins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Holiday (School Staff/Students)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Nine Week Period Ends
<input type="checkbox"/>	District Planning Day	★	Progress Reports Issued
<input type="checkbox"/>	Staff Planning Day	☆	Report Cards Issued

PROGRESS & REPORT CARDS

FIRST SEMESTER	
Progress Report	Sept. 15, 2017
Report Card Issued	Oct. 13, 2017
Progress Report	Nov. 8, 2017
Report Card Issued	Jan. 12, 2018
Progress Report	Feb. 2, 2018
Report Card Issued	Mar. 16, 2018
Progress Report	Apr. 13, 2018
Report Card Issued	May 25, 2018

INSTRUCTIONAL PERIODS - Total (180) Days

FIRST SEMESTER	
First Nine-Week Period	08/03/2017 - 10/05/2017 (45 Days)
Second Nine-Week Period	10/06/2017 - 12/15/2017 (45 Days)
SECOND SEMESTER	
Third Nine-Week Period	01/03/2018 - 03/07/2018 (45 Days)
Fourth Nine-Week Period	03/08/2018 - 05/18/2018 (45 Days)

Holiday for All	July 4
Teachers Return Pre-planning	July 28 - Aug. 2
District Planning Day	July 31
Students Return (Beginning of First Nine-Week Period)	Aug. 3
Labor Day (Holiday for All)	Sept. 4
Staff Planning Day (No School for Students)	Oct. 9
Thanksgiving Break (Holiday for School Staff/Students)	Nov. 20-24
Thanksgiving Holiday (Holiday for All)	Nov. 23, 24
Winter Break (Holiday for School Staff/Students)	Dec. 18-29
Winter Holiday (Holiday for All)	Dec. 22, 25, 26
New Year's (Holiday for All)	Jan. 1
Staff Planning Day (No School for Students)	Jan. 2
Martin Luther King, Jr., Day (Holiday for All)	Jan. 15
Presidents' Day (Holiday School Staff/Students)	Feb. 19
Staff Planning Day (No School for Students)	Feb. 20
Spring Break (Holiday School Staff/Students)	Mar. 26-29
Spring Holiday (Holiday for All)	Mar. 30
Last Day of School (End of Fourth Nine-Week Period)	May 18
Staff Planning / Post Planning	May 21-23
Memorial Day (Holiday for All)	May 28

* DESIGNATED MAKE UP DAYS

In the event conditions cause school closures, the district may require make up days to recover lost instructional time. The 2017-18 Designated Make Up days are as follows:

FIRST SEMESTER (2017): November 20, 21
SECOND SEMESTER (2018): February 19, 20 and March 26

Should additional make up days be required beyond those identified, the calendar is subject to further amendment by the Board of Public Education.