



Proclamation



Carrboro Elementary School Day

WHEREAS, this year marks the 60th anniversary of Carrboro Elementary School, as Carrboro Elementary School was founded in 1959 to serve the growing community of Carrboro, North Carolina; it was to provide a facility for students who, until then, attended Carrboro Graded School which was housed in the building that is now Carrboro Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, after the establishment of Carrboro Elementary, the residents of Carrboro voted to leave the Orange County school system and partner with Chapel Hill, thereby creating Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools, a school district that continues to set exceptionally high standards of academic excellence and civic involvement; and

WHEREAS, Carrboro Elementary supports a student body of approximately 500, fostering a life-long passion for learning, a respect for others, and a commitment to our community; and

WHEREAS, the mascot for Carrboro Elementary is the Cub, a nod to the community's former semi-professional baseball team named the Carrboro Cubs; and

WHEREAS, a strong and committed Parent Teacher Association at Carrboro Elementary helps with events such as the annual school fair, the Taste of Carrboro, and the 5K for Education; and also contributes necessary funds to help pay for cultural events, after school clubs, and theater productions; and assists teachers and staff by providing a stipend to help with school-related expenses; and

WHEREAS, the teachers and staff at Carrboro Elementary willingly engage in activities such as the annual school play and other extra-curricular activities, this is not for financial compensation but for the satisfaction of being a part of the cultural, social and academic growth of the town's youth; and

WHEREAS, situated a short walk from Carrboro Town Hall, Carrboro Elementary has always been integrated with Carrboro's local government; second graders (and others) at Carrboro Elementary have frequent field trips to Town Hall to learn about local government and visit Fire Station #1, and the Carrboro Elementary chorus provides holiday music each December as the town hosts its annual tree lighting ceremony; additionally, the Town of Carrboro visits Carrboro Elementary each year to plant a tree on school grounds to recognize Arbor Day, and helps organize annual Bike and Walk to School Days while promoting Safe Routes to Schools; and

WHEREAS, for sixty years, Carrboro Elementary has been a key contributor to our community, and we hope this will continue for at least another sixty years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Lydia E. Lavelle, Mayor of Carrboro, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim **Thursday, April 4, 2019** as "**Carrboro Elementary School Day.**"

This the 4th day of April 2019.

Lydia E. Lavelle, Mayor