



Birthdays at Faller

In order to make it fair for all students and equalize recognition of birthdays at Faller, all students and staff birthdays are announced during morning announcements including summer birthdays. Each classroom teacher provides a standard acknowledgement to ensure the same treatment for all students such as: birthday hat, birthday song, birthday card, birthday pencil, special book made by the class, line leader, or showcase on bulletin board to name a few. Also the office provides a birthday charm for each student.

The individual recognition of your student's birthday should be reserved for after school hours. If you are planning on sending home birthday invitations, please notify the classroom teacher and include all students to avoid any classmates feeling left out. We ask that parents/guardians **NOT** bring in any special treat including food or non-food items. The reasons for this are:

- prevents allergy concerns
- avoids loss of instruction time in the classroom
- supports the district's nutrition education program
- avoids financial burden and pressure for parents to provide
- avoids providing unhealthy food items to students
- avoids potential disruptive behaviors in the classroom as students react to high sugar food
- avoids making students feel left out or inferior
- avoids students being treated differently in school from one another on their respective birthdays

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. If you have any further questions you may contact the principal, Mrs.Christman, at 760-499-1690. Thank you.