COTTLE WEEKLY

William E. Cottle Elementary School

Preparing Every Student for Excellence

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Friday
September 4, 2026

FROM THE INTERIM PRINCIPAL

Dr. Rowe

Welcome back, Cottle families! It was my first day too — and what a welcome it was. Our Cubs walked in ready, and our staff were ready for them. Thank you for sharing your children with us. I cannot wait for the year ahead.

FROM THE A.P.'S DESK

Mr. Kilgallen

GO COTTLE!

Our First Week Together

1 First Day of School — Thursday, Sept. 3

Our doors opened to new sneakers, fresh backpacks and a lot of big first-day smiles. Staff greeted every Cub at the entrance.

2 Welcome, Kindergarten Cubs!

Our youngest Cubs found their cubbies, met their teachers, and began practicing the routines that will carry them all year.

3 Classroom Happenings

Across every grade, the first days are for building community — getting to know one another, setting expectations together, and first visits to our special areas.

Cub Spotlight

Our entire Cottle staff! Thank you for making two back-to-school days as amazing and engaging as they were for every Cub.

Mark Your Calendar

SEP 8	**PTA Exec. Board Meeting**	7:30 p.m. • board members
SEP 10	**Back to School Night**	6:00–8:00 p.m. • see p. 2
SEP 12	**UPK, K & SEPTA Picnic**	10 a.m.–12 p.m. • Turf Field
SEP 18	**Ice Cream Social**	6:30–8:00 p.m. • UPK–5, Cottle
SEP 21	**Spirit Wear store closes**	SEPTA fundraiser
SEP 28	**After School Clubs begin**	PTA + Your After School
OCT 12	**PTA Teacher Grant due**	Application deadline

HEART OF A CUB • VALUE OF THE WEEK

Empathy — we are good listeners, understanding, and kind. **At home:** at dinner this week, ask your Cub two questions — "Who did you help today?" and "Who helped you?"

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Go Cubs!

Back to School Night

Thursday, September 10 • 6:00–8:00 p.m. • William E. Cottle

6:00–6:10	K–2 parents meet with WEC Admin — Cottle Cafeteria
6:20–7:00	Parents meet with K–2 classroom teachers
6:30–7:30	Parents may meet with Special Area teachers — Gym
7:00–7:10	Grades 3–5 parents meet with WEC Admin — Cottle Cafeteria
7:20–8:00	Parents meet with Grades 3–5 classroom teachers

SEPTA Spirit Wear

Tiger Pride lives here! The store is open now and closes Sunday, Sept. 21 — hoodies, tees, joggers and polos for the whole family. All proceeds benefit Tuckahoe SEPTA.
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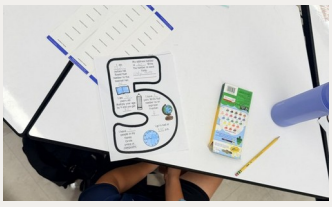
Join SEPTA

No IEP or 504 plan required. Parents, caregivers, teachers, staff and community members are all welcome. SEPTA funds teacher grants, workshops, sensory tools and inclusive programs district-wide.
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Photos from the Week



First lesson on the big screen



The first writing of the year

Family Reminders

- Arrival is **8:30 a.m.**
- Update your PowerSchool info
- Immunizations must be up to date
- *Check out all menus online!*
- *Have a wonderful weekend!*

Our First Day

Thursday, September 3, 2026 — William E. Cottle Elementary School



The walk up to the doors



First-day photos out front



Arriving together



Ready for day one



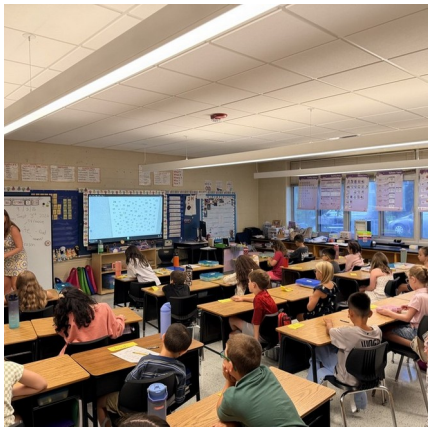
Through the doors and over the paw



Our welcome crew at the door



Hands up on the carpet



Settling into a new classroom

Have a first-day photo of your Cub?

Send it to the main office and we may feature it in a future Cottle Weekly.

From Tuckahoe SEPTA

Two ways to support students of all abilities this fall



TUCKAHOE SEPTA 18-437

2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERS!

💙 **WHY JOIN TUCKAHOE SEPTA?**
TUCKAHOE SEPTA (SPECIAL EDUCATION PTA) BRINGS TOGETHER FAMILIES, EDUCATORS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO SUPPORT AND ADVOCATE FOR STUDENTS OF ALL ABILITIES AND LEARNING NEEDS.

✨ **YOUR MEMBERSHIP MAKES A DIFFERENCE!**
BY BECOMING A SEPTA MEMBER, YOU HELP US:

ADVOCATE
AMPLIFY THE VOICES OF STUDENTS AND FAMILIES.

CONNECT
BUILD A SUPPORTIVE AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY FOR FAMILIES AND EDUCATORS.

EDUCATE
PROVIDE WORKSHOPS, SPEAKERS, RESOURCES, AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAMILIES.

INCLUDE
CREATE PROGRAMS AND EVENTS WHERE STUDENTS OF ALL ABILITIES FEEL WELCOMED AND VALUED.

SUPPORT
FUND TEACHER GRANTS, STUDENT PROGRAMMING, EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES, AND SPECIAL EDUCATION INITIATIVES THROUGHOUT OUR DISTRICT.

🧡 **YOU BELONG IN SEPTA**
YOU DO NOT NEED TO HAVE A CHILD WITH AN IEP OR 504 PLAN TO JOIN. PARENTS, CAREGIVERS, TEACHERS, STAFF, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE ALL WELCOME. THE MORE MEMBERS WE HAVE, THE STRONGER OUR COLLECTIVE VOICE BECOMES.

JOIN TUCKAHOE SEPTA
TOGETHER, WE CAN BUILD A MORE INCLUSIVE TUCKAHOE FOR EVERY LEARNER.
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BECOME A MEMBER!

BY JOINING SEPTA, YOU'RE NOT ONLY ADVOCATING FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS—YOU'RE ALSO HELPING **RAISE VITAL FUNDS** AND **SHOWING YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS VERY IMPORTANT INITIATIVE.**

MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO ALL PARENTS, CAREGIVERS, STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

SIGN UP TODAY!

Become a Tuckahoe SEPTA Member!

SHOP THE STORE

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