**CITY CLIPS**

 **AUGUST 2016**

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**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

 **Recycling Dates –** August 11th,12th, 25th,26th,

 *(All meetings below are held in Council Chambers at City Hall)*

 **City Council Meetings –** August 8h & 22nd

 **School Board Meetings –** August 18th

 **Planning Commission Meeting –** August 25h

**CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th FOR LABOR DAY**



**Important Notice from Blackwater Regional Library**

In an effort to be on the cutting edge of the public education industry, Blackwater Regional Library's Bookmobile will be undergoing a large scale upgrade to the services it provides to your citizens.

New services will include public internet access via Wi-Fi, a more comprehensive popular materials collection and stronger presence at the festivals and events that make your community great.

Blackwater Regional Library also plans on working closely with other non-profit educational organizations in your locality, ensuring the maximum amount of people are positively affected by everything the library has to offer.

In order to implement these changes successfully, the Bookmobile will be taken *off* of its current route beginning January 2016, with an expected return to service date in April 2016.

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Along with all their other wonderful events, MLK has line dancing every Monday at 7:15 p.m.., the fee is $20 for 5 weeks of fun!

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For FCPS SPORTS SCHEDULES, please visit:

<http://www.tririversdistrictva.org/g5-bin/client.cgi?G5genie=302&school_id=4>

**Save on qualifying items during Virginia’s 3-day sales tax holiday Aug. 5-7**

Virginia’s sales tax holiday, Aug. 5-7, offers shoppers the opportunity to buy qualifying school supplies, clothing and footwear, hurricane preparedness items, and certain energy-efficient products without paying state and local sales tax.

**What items are tax exempt?**

* Most school and office supplies, such as pens, loose-leaf paper, scissors, binders, backpacks, and construction paper priced at $20 or less
* Clothing and footwear, priced at $100 or less per item or pair
* Batteries, flashlights, bottled water, tarps, duct tape, fire extinguishers, cell-phone chargers, smoke detectors, buckets, rope, and first aid kits priced at $60 or less
* Gas-powered chainsaws priced at $350 or less and chainsaw accessories priced at $60 or less
* Portable generators priced at $1,000 or less
* Energy Star-labeled dishwashers, washing machines, air conditioners, ceiling fans, light bulbs, dehumidifiers, and refrigerators priced at $2,500 or less
* WaterSense-labeled sink faucets, faucet accessories, aerators, shower heads, toilets, urinals, and landscape irrigation controllers priced at $2,500 or less

**Keep in mind:**

* All retailers who sell the exempt products are required to participate in the sales tax holiday.
* Retailers may choose to pay the sales tax on any taxable items and pass the savings on to customers.
* Online purchases of qualifying products are exempt from the sales tax as long as orders are placed and paid for during the Aug. 5-7 exemption period and the sellers have the items available for immediate shipment.

For more information, see [Sales Tax Holiday Details for Consumers](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTYwNzIxLjYxODQwMDAxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE2MDcyMS42MTg0MDAwMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDkxMTg5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YnJpY2ttYW5AZnJhbmtsaW52YS5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWJyaWNrbWFuQGZyYW5rbGludmEuY29tJmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&100&&&http://www.tax.virginia.gov/content/sales-tax-holiday-consumer-faqs?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=) and [Sales Tax Holiday Details for Retailers](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTYwNzIxLjYxODQwMDAxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE2MDcyMS42MTg0MDAwMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDkxMTg5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YnJpY2ttYW5AZnJhbmtsaW52YS5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWJyaWNrbWFuQGZyYW5rbGludmEuY29tJmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&101&&&http://www.tax.virginia.gov/content/sales-tax-holiday-dealer-faqs?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=)