



# Southwest Snapshot

February 21, 2021

Family Academy has partnered with UNC Morehead Planetarium to offer virtual district science events. Morehead Planetarium has organized the Zoom events, and spaces are limited. They are limited to 490 participants for each event and will operate on a “first come first served” basis in the order of how names appear on their registration form. The registration form has all the information needed in English and Spanish. Please see below for event dates, titles, and descriptions of the events.

K-5 (March 9, 2021) Astronomy Avenue (5:00pm - 6:00pm)

In this virtual STEMville experience, participants will explore current astronomy topics, learn about hidden science stories, and observe our night sky using the planetarium software.

K-5 (May 4, 2021) Experiment Expressway (5:00pm - 6:00pm)

All the fun and energy of a Science Stage show delivered directly to you. A live presenter will demonstrate exciting science experiments on your screen and answer your questions.

Registration Link: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdmC0WYiZ\\_5J\\_7nCyE1-429FsMjN9NmtEuGMpUusqkF4TQljw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdmC0WYiZ_5J_7nCyE1-429FsMjN9NmtEuGMpUusqkF4TQljw/viewform)

Southwest Elementary PTA is having a fundraiser at City Barbeque Durham on February 22nd! Order online or head on over to show your support and enjoy some BBQ — We'll get 20% of sales from everyone who uses our fundraiser code (**Funda**) when they order online, in person, over the phone or in the City BBQ app! Share with neighbors and friends to help earn money for our school!

## Southwest Wellness Team Choice Board and Guest Speaker for Black History Month

The Wellness Team created a Black History Month Choice Board within the Wellness Wednesday Canvas Course. We encourage students and families to visit the link and explore some of the videos and activities.

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/15m2r4lWnYrr31Zd4ysQ9jtX7qofvjqJyvzYWac5-M9M/edit?usp=sharing>

We also have scheduled guest speakers every Wednesday in February. This week, we had Mr. Montez Thomas, a SWE parent volunteer, who read and discussed All Because You Matter by Tami Charles. (Thank you, Mr. Thomas!) Our next two guest speakers will be on February 17th and 24th beginning at 9:00am each Wednesday. We hope you can join us for these engaging Zoom sessions.