

Franklin Focus

January 2019



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School Focus:**

*Read, Write and
Respond*

Dates to Remember

January

- 2 No School – Teacher Institute
- 3 School Resumes
- 18 7th & 8th Grade Band & Choir Concert – 6:30
- 21 NO SCHOOL – M. L. King Birthday
- 25 Student of the Month
- 26 P.T.C. Trivia Night/Silent Auction
- 28 P.T.C. – 6:30

February

- 8 Blues Dance-6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 15 Student of the Month
- 18 NO SCHOOL–President’s Day
- 20 Bingo Night – 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- 21 6th Grade Preview Night-6:00 p.m. – Jazz Band performing at 5:30 p.m.
- 25 P.T.C. – 6:30
- 26 Science Fair – Time 6:00-7:00 p.m.

March

- 3 Bowling Fundraiser –King Pin Lanes – 9:00-11:00 p.m.
- 4 NO SCHOOL – Casimir Pulaski Day
- 11 End of Third Quarter

- 15 Student of the Month
- 15 Talent Show 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 25 P.T.C. – 6:30

April

- 1-5 Spring Break
- 10 Spring Pictures
- 19 No School - Holiday
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- 26 Student of the Month
- 29 P.T.C. 6:30 p.m.
- 30 Beta Club Initiation-6:00-7:30 p.m.

May

- 7 Fine Arts Festival-6:00-8:00
- 16 Honor’s Night-7:00 @ SHS
- 17 End of the Year Dance – 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 20 P.T.C. – 6:30 p.m.
- 27 No School-Memorial Day
- 29 Last Day-2:30 dismissal Moving Up Ceremony – 9:00-10:30 – subject to change

HyVee.

The PTC would like to thank Hy-Vee MacArthur Blvd. for being such a great partner with our school. Hy-Vee has provided support for many of our events. We are truly grateful for their support of our school and our students! Thank you Hy-Vee!!

Spring Pictures

Students will have spring pictures taken April 10, 2019. Picture proofs will be sent home with instructions for purchase. Students do not need to wear their uniforms to school this day. They may wear their regular, appropriate for school, attire for their spring pictures.

Yearbook Reminder

Buy your yearbook now!
Yearbook orders will be placed on prepaid orders only. Order forms can be picked up from Ms. Mariotti in Room 110 or in the lobby. Completed order forms can be turned in to Mrs. Gillespie in the Main Office. Orders are due by March 29, 2019. Delivery will be the latter part of May.

Town & Country Shopping Center – Reminder

Please do not park or drop students off at Town & Country Shopping Center. We would appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

TESTING INFORMATION

This spring Franklin Middle School students will be participating in the state-mandated standardized testing. More information will be provided at a later date.

ATTENTION! PARENTS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

In the spring semester each year, any student who is eligible for special education services is scheduled for an annual review meeting to discuss current academic performance, goals, and future program plans.

Meetings with 8th grade parents will begin in January and continue through May. The appropriate High School Special Needs Department Chairperson will be attending the meeting to help with the planning.

Meetings with 6th and 7th grade parents will be scheduled in January, March, April and May.

You will receive an invitation in the mail no fewer than ten days before your scheduled meeting, informing you of the date and time for your child's Individualized Education Program (IEP) meeting.

If you have a recent change of address, please contact Mrs. Booth at Franklin Middle School (787-3006) so we may update our files.

Thank you for your continued support of your child's education.

Dione Booth, Special Education Dept. Chair.

Congratulations to FMS Art Club! We were awarded a 2nd place ribbon at the 2018 Festival of Trees. This year's theme at the festival was "Holidays Through Our History." Our art club decided to go with a Toy theme and create a variety of ornaments with popular Christmas toys throughout time. Students learned to whip stitch and made stuffed felt present ornaments as well. Under the tree we created large scale toys from cardboard. Gumby, a Monopoly box, a Rubix cube, and a Lite-Brite with letters FMS brightly lit were the presents found under the tree. And to finish it all off a large scale tinker toy star was the tree topper. GREAT WORK ART CLUB, carrying on our winning tradition!

GUIDANCE

Report Cards for the second nine weeks were issued to students on January 3. Students hand carried the report cards home. If you did not receive the report card, please call the Guidance Office at 787-3026, and a copy of the report card will be mailed.

Progress Reports for the third quarter will be given to the students on Wednesday, February 6, 2019. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to call the school and request a conference with the appropriate teacher(s) regarding concerns.

Student Information Please notify the office personnel at 787-3026 of address and/or phone number changes. It is very important that we have current information to contact parents/guardians.

Course Selection Forms Students will be bringing home Course Selection forms in January.

6th grade (yellow form)

7th grade (blue form)

8th grade (pink form)

Teachers have made course recommendations for next school year and have marked the forms. Students will take the forms home, mark their elective choice, and have a parent/guardian sign the form. Course Selection forms need to be returned to Franklin Middle School.

Online Registration

All students (returning and new students to Franklin Middle School) will need to complete online registration. More details when online registration opens will be available in May.

Student Cumulative Folders

Student cumulative folders may be accessed by logging in to the District Intranet using your parent account username and password. Information found in the cumulative folder includes: assessment scores, grades, report card grades, progress report grades, attendance, schedule, and teacher lesson plans. If you would like access to your student's cumulative folder or have forgotten your username and password please stop by the Guidance Office. Please bring a photo I.D.

ATHLETICS

TRACK SEASON AHEAD

Students planning on participating in the track and field program must have a completed athletic card and a photocopy of their birth certificate on file in the office by February 23, 2018. The athletic card verifies:

- 1) A physical exam
- 2) Proof of school insurance or insurance carrying the student
- 3) Knowledge of The Drug / Alcohol Policy

Paperwork for other sports in which the student participated in this school year is acceptable. In addition, participants are required to pay a \$60.00 athletic fee, if applicable (one time per year). Practice begins February 25, 2019.