

Important Dates

November

11 – **No School**; Veteran’s Day
12 – Student of the Month
Breakfast
17 – Gifted Preview Night
25-26 – Thanksgiving Break
30 – PTC Meeting 5:30 pm

December

10 – Student of the Month
Breakfast
10 – FMS Talent Show 6 PM
21 – PTC Meeting 5:30 pm
22 – End of the second quarter
23 – Jan 9 **WINTER BREAK**

January

10 – Students return to school
14 - Student of the Month
Breakfast



School Closings

Just a reminder: When schools are closing because of weather, listen for Springfield School District #186 on the T.V. or radio. When “Franklin” is closed, it is not Franklin Middle School in Springfield, it is referring to *Franklin, Illinois.*

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A big “THANK YOU” to everyone who attended our parent-teacher conferences on Nov. 1 and 2. If you were unable to attend, conferences can be scheduled with your student’s teachers at any time by calling our guidance office at 787-3026.



FMS is proud to sponsor our annual Think Pink fundraiser to support [The American Cancer Society](#). Through these efforts, we were able to raise \$2500 to donate to the American Cancer Society. We also collected money \$5500 for The United Way and (Watch for information to come about our [Go Blue](#) fundraiser for ALS in January.) Way to go Falcons!

From the Guidance Office

- Enclosed with this newsletter is the honor roll for the first quarter grading period. Congratulations to honor roll students on their achievement. There are three honor rolls at Franklin: Straight A, High honor roll: (3.67- 3.99 GPA) and Regular (3.00-3.66 GPA). Information regarding how to calculate grade point average can be found in the Student Information Bulletin.
- Course selection for sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth grade classes for the 2021-2022 school year will begin after the winter break.
- Please keep telephone numbers and addresses current. You may do this by calling (217) 787-3026.
- First quarter report cards were given to students to hand carry home on **Wednesday, October 27, 2021.**

PARENT INTRANET ACCESS

All parents in our district have been assigned usernames and passwords to access their students' electronic cumulative folders. This information can only be obtained in person (with proper ID) from your student's school. If you have more than one student in District 186, your accounts can be consolidated.

Buzzer and Escorts

Just a reminder that parents and visitors need to buzz in at the main entrance to gain entry to the building during school hours. The entrance desk supervisor will ask your name and after establishing your identity will ask you to come to the office. It will then be determined if an escort is needed to the Guidance Office or another designated area. Please be patient with this process. We are trying to control outside traffic coming into the building with the intention of providing a safe and secure environment for your child.

Attendance

Please call 787-3026 to report an absence, late arrival or to request an early dismissal.

8th Grade Moving up Ceremony

The Moving Up Ceremony will take place at the end of the school year. Our Moving Up Ceremony will be dedicated to those 8th grade students who have worked hard to maintain good grades and pass ALL CORE CLASSES throughout their 8th grade year. *This is not a graduation ceremony, but a recognition of their accomplishments.* The requirements for promotion are as follows:

- Promotion at middle school is based on semester grades. A passing grade in middle school is a D or better.
- Semester grades are a cumulative average of first and second quarter grades as well as third and fourth quarter grades.
- District #186's current Board of Education Promotion Policy states that students must pass all core subjects.

If your student fulfills these requirements, you will receive a personal invitation to the ceremony in the mail.



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