



THE FREEDOM STAR



FREEDOM MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Greetings to all from Freedom Middle School!

We hope everyone had a fantastic Fall Break!

The Freedom Fest 2017 fundraiser ended Friday, September 29th, and was a huge success! The generous donations received will be sufficient to cover the purchase of all the items on the needs list plus aid in purchasing a new sound system for our gym. We are always so fortunate to have the support of parents, students, family members, friends, school staff, and community businesses in this once a year event. The enormous task of putting this fundraiser in motion through organizing events, consistently communicating progress to parents, students, and staff, and providing an extremely fun Freedom FUNDay goes to Mrs. Cindy Scarce, our PTO coordinator, all the PTO volunteer parents, teachers, staff members, and community sponsors who worked tirelessly to make this so enjoyable for our students! You are commended for your level of creativity, your enthusiastic spirit, your never-failing dedication, and your consistent commitment in helping us raise \$25,000! This amount of money has never been attained in a fundraising event since the opening of Freedom Middle and serves as a tribute to our 25th year anniversary! THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

Other upcoming highlights include:

- Tuesday, October 24, 2017: Franklin High School representatives will present information on the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program to all interested parents and students at 6 p.m. in the FMS Theater.

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OCTOBER 2017

OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH AT FMS!

The following students were selected by their teachers as the student(s) of the month:

Immanuel Barr – 7th

Avery Bell – 7th

Arion Carter – 7th

Autumn Via – 7th

Justin Allen – 8th

Paola Castro – 8th

Maddie Waldrop McGee – 8th

Nakiyah Woods – 8th

Each of these students was chosen because he/she has a great attitude, exhibits positive behavior, is extremely pleasant, and is an all-around good person. Congratulations to each of them!!!

Save your Box Tops



Your child can turn these in to his/her math teacher.

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- Thursday, November 9, 2017: The annual Career Fair @ Williamson County Agricultural Expo Center (for eighth grade students only; this will be held during the school day).
- Friday, November 10, 2017: Veterans' Day Parade in downtown Franklin at 11 a.m. The Freedom Middle School Band and the Freedom Middle School Be Nice Ambassadors will participate.
- Tuesday, November 14, 2017: 2nd Quarter Progress Reports will be sent home and the FMS Newsletter will be posted on the school's website.
- Friday, November 17, 2017: Early dismissal for students at 11:30 a.m. Lunch will be served, and buses will run to deliver students home.
- Monday, November 20, 2017 through Friday, November 24, 2017: Thanksgiving Holidays

As always, please feel free to call me @ 615-794-0987 or e-mail me @ JeffersonKri@fssd.org if you have concerns, suggestions, and/or words of encouragement. We are committed to promoting:

"Personal Best + Collaborative Effort =
Excellence for All!"

Working together with you,

- Kristi Jefferson



Cover Your Cough

Stop the spread of germs that can make you and others sick!

Influenza (flu) and other serious respiratory illnesses like respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), whooping cough, and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) are spread by cough, sneezing, or unclean hands.

To help stop the spread of germs,

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Put your used tissue in the waste basket.
- If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow, not your hands.
- You may be asked to put on a facemask to protect others.
- **Wash your hands often** with soap and warm water **for 20 seconds**. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.



FMS GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

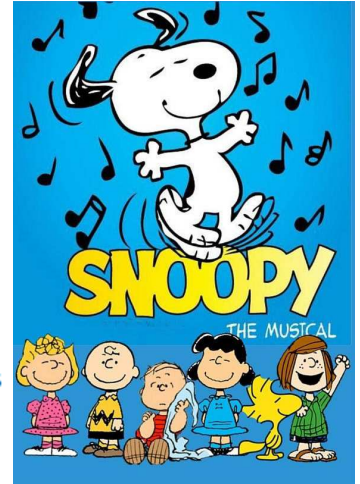
ATTENTION ALL 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH GRADE FIS-FMS GIRLS. TRYOUTS FOR THE FMS GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM WILL BE **OCTOBER 27TH, 2:45 - 4:30**, AND **OCTOBER 30TH, 2:45 - 4:00**, IN THE FMS GYM. YOU **WILL NOT** BE ALLOWED TO TRYOUT WITHOUT A PHYSICAL ON FILE OR IN HAND! PLEASE BRING APPROPRIATE CLOTHING.

TRYOUTS WILL BE CLOSED TO PARENTS. PLEASE PICK UP YOUR DAUGHTERS IN BACK OF FMS AND NOT IN THE FRONT. WE WANT EVERYONE IN ONE LOCATION.

Snoopy!



Snoopy	Cam Parker
Charlie Brown.....	Gavin Reid
Lucy	Sophia DeLombaerde
Linus	Hayden Gill
Sally	Emma Summey
Peppermint Patty	Mary Jenkins Anderson
Woodstock	Acacia Mauricio
Schroeder	Abhi Reddy
Violet	Reagan Gentile
Frieda	Celeste Phillips
Patty	Lindsey Obua
Pigpen	Noah Murray
Shermie	Lemuel Smith
Marcie	Hannah Busler
Charlotte Braun	Beka Underhill
Red-headed Girl	Lucy Belue
Braids	Dutchie Watkins
Rerun	Tyler Spears
Eudora	Ana Hurt
Tapioca Pudding	Sierra Fox
5	William Humphreys
3.....	Anna Easter
4	Taylor Marie Reid



Snoopy's family

Spike	Josiah Borst
Marbles	Izaak Morgan
Molly	Ansley Sweet
Olaf	Caleb White
Belle	Rachel Stacy
Rover	Jack Maxwell
Andy	Will Watts

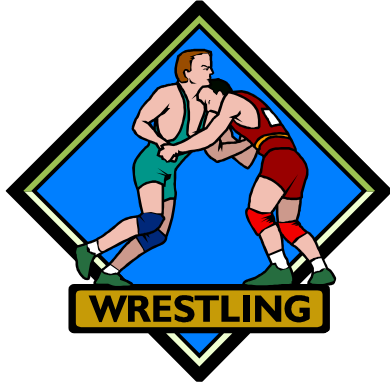
Little Woodstocks: Sophia Cox * Lily Evans * Melina Fuentes*
 Emily Grace * Sicily Hardgrave * Maegan Mena * Annie Robertson

Soloists: Kate Chngas * Jessica Collins * Savannah Dyson * Katie Hathcock*
 Victoria Paez * Laura Melinda Woodruff

THE PEANUTS GANG

Paige Christenson * Aaron Daniel * Emma Deck * Noah Dorris * Kayli Higdo *
 Avery Jones * Isondra Krouse * Katelyn Lyons* Alyssa McGlaun * Bella Miller *
 Beatrice Montgomerie * Karen Nesrck * Ashley Nugent*Celeste Phillips *
 Anniyah Pointer * Bree Schut * Miliana Walton * Meileah Whitlock

Dance Captain - Lily Evans



FREEDOM WRESTLING 2017

Wrestling practice is everyday from 3:00 to 5:30. **There is still time to join the team.** Contact Coach Stevens @ stevensran@fssd.org or @ wrestlingfms@yahoo.com.

Practice begins on Oct. 3 from 3:00 to 5:15 each day in the FMS gym.

Pre-season practice dates are as follows:
October 16-19, 23-27 & 30-31.

Oct 27	Mill Creek Scrimmages	@ Mill Creek	4:00
Nov 1	Father Ryan joint practice	@ Father Ryan	4:00
Nov 2	Mill Creek/Sunset/BGA	@ FREEDOM	3:45*
Nov 7	Woodland/Heritage	@ Woodland	4:00
Nov 9	Page/Brentwood	@ Brentwood	3:45*
Nov 11	Heritage Invitational	@ Independence	TBA
Nov 14	Spring Station/Grassland/Nashville Catholic	@ FREEDOM	3:45*
Nov 28	County Dual Championship		
Nov 29	Seeding Meeting @ 7:00		
Nov 30	JV Tournament @ Mill Creek - WEIGH INS		
DEC 1	WMAA Tournament - WEIGH INS	@ Mill Creek	

* Tri-match-home team wrestles first and third

FREEDOM MIDDLE SCHOOL GUIDANCE PROGRAM

8th Grade Guidance: We are gearing up for the WCS Career Fair that will be held at the Williamson County Agriculture Expo Center, on Thursday, November 9. Every 8th grader has taken the Kuder Interest and Skills Assessment, which indicates each student's areas of interests. These results to help them identify the specific "jobs" or vendors they wish to visit at the Career Day event. Permission slips have been sent home with the report cards and are due Wed. 10/26, please be sure to sign and return it. This is a great event and we want our students to be the best prepared students in Williamson County.

7th Grade Guidance: We continue to monitor and evaluate our organization and academic goals, and discuss ways to make FMS a "safe and respectful place". October's guidance also focused on "All things Cyber!". We discussed cyber-bullying, cyber safety and a digital footprint. I urge you to continue this discussion at home and be sure to actively inquire about your child's digital and cyber involvement. Although technology is an extremely useful and positive tool, it can be incredibly dangerous and damaging if students are not diligent and careful.

As always, don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns for your child ... we need them here everyday ready to learn.

Bruce Coberly (Mr. C.) - Your FMS School Counselor - coberlybru@fssd.org - 615.794.0987 x 3514

STEM AWARDS - QUARTER 1



The following students were recognized in an awards assembly for their positive attitude and engagement in STEM for the first 9 weeks:

7TH GRADE	8TH GRADE
AUTUMN VIA	SADAF FOLAD
JAMES HARRIS	YAGMUR ARSLAN
MELANIE MORALES	CHRIS POWELL
JORDAN AKERS	CAM PARKER
LAUREL WOODRUFF	RENÉ RUIZ

IT'S SOCKTOBER TIME!

The National Junior Honor Society is sponsoring Socktober this year at FMS. What is Socktober? It's simple: people all over the world are collecting new, warm socks to donate to those in need in their own communities. Our school goal is 2,000 pairs of socks. We know the FMS STARS will meet and exceed this goal. If we meet our goal, students will earn a week of special themed dress-up days, such as "Decade Day" and "Hawaiian Day". The last day to donate socks is Friday, October 27th. We can't wait to see how many socks we collect!



Join the
Freedom Middle School
STARS
for
SOCKtober at
SOCKER Games



Free Admission with a donation of new warm socks!

Students/ Children: 1 pair
Adults: 2 pair

**OCT. 24
FMS GIRLS
VS. GRASSLAND**

**Oct. 26
FMS BOYS vs.
SUNSET**

**Socks will be donated to local organizations helping homeless in our community.



Band and Orchestra News

Congratulations to FMS Orchestra students who auditioned for and earned a place in the Williamson County Honor Orchestra! This group of high-achieving middle school students representing every middle school in Williamson County will gather to play together on November 2nd and 3rd. They will present a concert at Brentwood High School on Friday night, Dec. 3 at 7:00. It is open to the public. (The high school level of this event gives their concert on Dec. 2, also at Brentwood High.)

- Chloe Robinson, 7th grade, violin
- Adi Paul, 8th grade, violin
- Yagmur Arslan, 8th grade, violin
- Steffanie Flores, 8th grade, alternate violin
- Johnathon Mover, 8th grade, alternate viola
- Chandler Bell, 8th grade, cello
- Tobey Stokes, 8th grade, cello
- Olga Markevich, 8th grade, cello



The Freedom Band will be marching in the Franklin Veteran's Day Parade on Friday, November 10 at 11:00 a.m. There will be after school practices to prepare for this during the week prior to the parade. Parents please refer to the band schedule for details. All band students are expected to be present for the practices in order to go on Nov. 10.

Band and Orchestra parents, be sure to save the date of Thursday, Dec. 14, 7:00 p.m. for the annual winter concert!

Concert dress outfits will be assigned to all band, orchestra and chorus students in the next few weeks. Be on the lookout for these to come home. All students should have turned in their \$10.00 cleaning fee and form by now. Students are responsible for having the dress or pants hemmed to the appropriate length for their black dress shoes. Make sure to take care of this in plenty of time before the concert. Fashion Cleaners, 117 7th Ave. in Franklin, will do this hemming for \$10.00, but you must get it there in plenty of time.

CHORUS NEWS

Congratulations go out to ten FMS chorus students for being selected to participate in the Williamson County Honor Chorus. They participated in a day-long workshop and clinic on October 6th, that was followed by a performance in the Wright Music Building on the campus of Middle Tennessee State University. We are so very proud of our performers!



Sophia De Lombaerde	Jesus Sanchez	Acacia Mauricio	William Humphreys
Syriah Bupasiri	Shae Samson	Beka Underhill	
Katie Hathcock	Hayden Gill	Josiah Borst	

National Junior Honor Society 2017

The FMS STAR Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society inducted fifty-four new members for the 2017-18 school year. These members were recognized at a special induction ceremony and reception with their families in attendance. New members include:

Arslan, Yagmur	Hall, Eli	Mendoza, Anthony	Reid, Gavin
Bangham, Parker	Hampton, Shelby	Menko, Charlotte	Rose, Madelyn
Bell, Chandler	Hathcock, Katie	Mickholtzick, Abby	Sahoo, Anant
Belue, Lucy	Hazelwood, Matthew	Miyake, Courtney	Sanchez, Jesus
Cardenas, Jacey	Jackson, David	Montesinos, Lizbeth	Stacy, Rachel
Carrasco, Brylee	Jaffarhonov, Shahzod	O'Neill, Jessica	Summar, Zoe
Carter, Emily Grace	Kasibhotla, Sivani	Obua, Lindsey	Summey, Emma
Changas, Kate	Kelley, Andie	Oddiraju, Manoj	Taylor, Emily
Cravens, Colin	Ko, Johan	Onadeko, Kemi	Underhill, Bekah
De Lombaerde, Sophia	Koziol, Sofia	Oshikoya, Leilah	Vanteru, Vinayasri
Druckenmiller, Rose	Lake, Jake	Parker, Cam	Watts, Will
Evans, Lily	Marlin, Olivia	Partington, Allie	Woods, Nakiyah
Flores, Steffanie	Mattox, Austin	Reddy, Abhi	
Gauthier, Megan	McGaha, Michael	Reed, Devon	

Congratulations Artists!

We have so many talented artists at Freedom Middle School, however, we could only select five (Quarter 1) students for each grade level.

The following students received the Art award for Quarter 1 for demonstrating an outstanding level of participation, creativity and craftsmanship!

Artsonia Artist of the Week Finalist

Gracie Jones

We are so proud of ALL of our FMS artists!

7th Grade

8th Grade

Abby Carter

Paige Christensen

Donevon Mencke

Grace Kirsch

Presley Anderson

Maddie Waldrop McGee

Emma Burrell

Ethan Arsenault

Jolon Watson

Jacob Chunn



Check out our Freedom Middle School student gallery on ARTSONIA!

Link: <https://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=39421>
or go to artsonia.com and search Freedom Middle School.

The holiday season is approaching! Artsonia offers wonderful gift options! A portion of each purchase benefits our school's art program.

FMS Green Team



Here are a few of the things we have been up to:

- ◆ Collecting 750 pairs of Eclipse glasses
- ◆ Assisting Girls Scout Troop 2445 with bottle cap recycling project.
- ◆ Increasing recycling awareness at FMS
- ◆ Training with Williamson Recycles to learn how to separate and collect recycling
- ◆ Increase recycling opportunities and locations for Freedom FUNDay
- ◆ Try to make the world (school) a better place
- ◆ We want to encourage the students to be recycling as well
- ◆ We recycle every Tuesday, collecting cans, caps, paper, etc,...
- ◆ So far we have
 - ◇ Recycled 242.7 lbs of plastic and aluminum
 - ◇ Recycled enough paper and cardboard to save 6 trees for 10 years
 - ◇ Collected an estimated 2,872 containers - that's approximately 145 lbs. and is 28% of the way toward achieving our goal of 10,000 containers

The Goal of Green team is to increase recycling awareness, decrease waste, and contribute to the beautification of FMS! We are looking for additional bins to collect recycling in the cafeteria if parents or businesses would like to donate bins for this project please contact osteenhol@fssd.org or miyakec@fssd.org



Freedom Con

Do you like Syfy? Dr. Who? Star Wars? Super Heroes? Comic Books? Anime?
If so, the **Freedom Con Club** is for you.

Mr. Stevens will be sponsoring **Freedom Con** on the 2nd and 4th Monday each month for any FMS student who would to meet with fellow science fiction fans to talk about any of the these items such as tv shows, movies, comics, etc.

The first meeting will be on August the 28 after school in the cafeteria annex from 2:35 to 3:45. Please have your rides at school by 3:45 to pick you up. See Mr. Stevens with any questions.

Meeting dates: August 28
 September 11 & 25
 October 16 & 30
 November 13
 December 11 (Spring semester dates tba)

Mr. Stevens: stevensran@fssd.org