



# THE FREEDOM STAR



FREEDOM MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

The 2017-2018 school year is quickly drawing to a close! However, much must be done before May 23<sup>rd</sup>!!!

Please be reminded that the **FSSD 2018-2019 Online Registration** period continues through April 30<sup>th</sup>. This process must be completed so that your child(ren) will be properly registered to attend school in FSSD for the 2018-2019 school year. **Remember, proofs of residency, residency affidavits, and updated immunization forms may now be attached to the online registration form.**

The TN Ready state achievement tests in English language arts, math, Algebra I, geometry, science, and social studies will occur from Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> **through** Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The specific dates and type of test(s) are listed below:

- April 17<sup>th</sup>: English Language Arts (ELA), Part 1- writing
- April 26<sup>th</sup>: ELA, Part 2 **and** Science, Part 1
- April 27<sup>th</sup>: ELA, Part 3 **and** Science, Part 2
- April 30<sup>th</sup>: ELA, Part 4 **and** Social Studies, Part 1
- May 1<sup>st</sup>: Math, Part 1, Algebra/Geometry, Part 1, **and** Social Studies, Part 2
- May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Math, Parts 2 & 3, **and** Algebra/Geometry, Parts 2 & 3

*Please be sure **your child is at school on time each of these days.***

Other dates of note are:

- May 10<sup>th</sup>: Fine Arts Festival, starting @ 6 p.m.
- May 11<sup>th</sup>: Eighth Grade Dance in the auxiliary gym from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.; **this dance is for FMS eighth grade students only!**
- May 14<sup>th</sup>: FMS Athletic Awards Ceremony @ 6:30 p.m.
- May 17<sup>th</sup>: World Language Final Exam (French or Spanish)
- May 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>: Final Exams for all students in all subject areas (The grade made on each academic exam for ELA, math, science, and social studies counts for 15%)

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## APRIL 2018

### APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH AT FMS!

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

Dylan Grow - 7th

Shivaani Jagadeeswaran - 7th

Camden Reuthe - 7th

Nyla Nellums-Freeman - 7th

Steffanie Flores - 8th

Gavin Picard - 8th

Naveysa Stewart - 8th

Michelle Valadez - 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!!!

The 2018 FSSD Young Scholars Institute continues to accept applications but classes are filling up quickly. A limited number of scholarships are still available. Please visit the link below to learn more:

<http://fssd.org/young-scholars-institute/>

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of the student's 2<sup>nd</sup> semester average in the subject.)

- May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Seventh Grade Honors Program at 1:00 p.m. in the FMS gym
- May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Eighth Grade Bridging Ceremony at 7:45 a.m. in the FMS gym
- May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Last day of school with dismissal at 9:30 a.m.
- Week of May 28<sup>th</sup> - Report cards will be mailed home

For those of you who will be with us for the 2018-2019 school year, the first day of school for students is Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>—this will be an Early Dismissal day with students dismissed from school at 11:30 a.m. Lunch will be served and buses will deliver students home. We will have a “Meet and Greet” on Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. in the FMS gymnasium for each student to get his/her schedule and handbook. The first full day of school is Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.

Our school is open from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. each weekday during the summer except for the week of July 2<sup>nd</sup> through July 6<sup>th</sup>. Please feel free to call us if you need information or questions answered.

It has been my honor and privilege to have worked in education for 36 years of which the last 34 years have been in the Franklin Special School District—the school district I often describe as the best school district on this earth! I would like to close the last article for my career in education with words I have written and included in this newsletter in previous years that truly convey what we believe at Freedom Middle School:

“It is always our hope that our students have learned much to aid each of them in being successful, well-rounded individuals in life. It is our hope that all who have volunteered in our school this year are aware of how much their presence and help have been appreciated. It is our hope that our exiting eighth grade students know that we wish each of them great success in high school and beyond, and we encourage each of them to always strive for excellence in all they do. It is our hope that our rising eighth grade students know that we look forward to another exciting and academically challenging year with them next year. It is our hope that each of you who have traveled our hallways this year, for whatever reason, knows that you have touched lives and made memories.”

As always, remember to give your personal best and work collaboratively with others. As a result, there will be excellence for all!

Working Together With You,

*Kristi Jefferson*

## CLINIC MEDICATION

If your child has prescription or non-prescription medication in the school clinic, it must be picked up by a parent or designated adult prior to the end of school on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The exceptions are inhaled medications for asthma and EpiPens which can be sent with the student on the last day of school. State law allows a student to carry inhaled medications for asthma and an EpiPen for emergency use. All other medications that are not picked up will be disposed of in compliance with state regulations. Medicine cannot be kept in the clinic over the summer. Medication orders will expire at the end of the school year. Your student will need new medication orders/health plans for the 2018-19 school year.



## FMS SPRING ARTS FESTIVAL

Be sure to make plans to attend the Annual FMS Spring Arts Festival on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. giving you time to browse our beautiful artwork and photos.

Then make your way to the theatre where our award-winning chorus will perform at 6:30. At 7:00, our drama group will be celebrating “Our Dreams” in scenes and songs. To cap off the evening at 7:30, our solo and small ensemble groups will show off their instrumental skills. It will be a lovely night celebrating the arts at FMS. You won't want to miss this treat!

## PTO NEWS

At a meeting of the Committee Chairs of the FMS PTO on Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, we took a few minutes to review this year. We looked over a list that included a number of things that you, the parents of FMS, have made possible for our school. It was a nice list.

- Over 150 volunteers signed up or showed up for events during the year.
- New sound system in our gymnasium
- Offered a free t-shirt to every student
- Purchased laminators for our teachers
- Purchased robotics kits for our STEM program
- Hosted monthly appreciation events for our teachers
- Paid for the FMS flags hanging on the light fixtures outside the school
- Contributed to the school's beautification efforts, making new art installations, updated paint and other improvements possible
- Raised money for athletics with the sale of Family Athletic Passes
- Covered a lot of the "extras" that don't get covered in the basic school budget like color copies, Student of the Month costs, and the cost of the Booker Program
- Purchased Spirit Wear for students to purchase at Rising Stars and Meet and Greet before school in both 2017 and 2018

Before this year is over, your PTO contributions and volunteer efforts will make these activities possible:

- May 11 8<sup>th</sup> grade formal
- May 14 Athletic Awards
- May 23 8<sup>th</sup> grade Bridging Ceremony

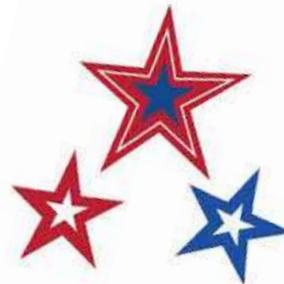


After all of that, we will still have a bit of funds left for the purchase of some *picnic tables to be placed outside the cafeteria annex for our students*, and we will be awarding some *funds to each academic department* to use for materials they need.

Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of a great group of parents dedicated to doing great things for our school. We look forward to an even greater 2018-2019 school year!

Your 2017-2018 PTO Council

Ellen Burdine  
Cindy Scarce  
Kim Stinson  
Jenny Szulczewski-Jones





Looking for a great gift!  
Check out the Freedom Middle School  
Gallery at [Artsonia.com](http://Artsonia.com).

**Congratulations to the following artists for representing Freedom Middle School at the 2018 Williamson County Fine Arts Festival and the 2018 FSSD/Frist Student Exhibit. These artworks are now on display in the school library. We are so proud of these students!**

## 2018 FSSD/FRIST STUDENT EXHIBIT

Ally Partington

Abhi Reddy

Alyssa McGlaun

Kendra Pugh

Adriana Rodriguez

Kaitlyn McIntosh

Ethan Stokes

Shivaani Jagadeeswaran

Corenne Thompson

Gracie Jones



# 2018 WCS FINE ARTS FESTIVAL

Eliza Lambert

Gregory Bunn

Yagmur Arslan

Sherlyn Martinez

Abby Slusser



As the year draws to a close, I urge you to look through your child's guidance folder in Google classroom and print any documents he/she and/or you feel worthwhile to keep for future reference.

### **8th Grade Guidance:**

This month in 8<sup>th</sup> grade guidance we continued our discussion of understanding negative peer pressure and how to deal with it.

To help each student gain further

understanding of "who" they are, we all took an abbreviated Myers-Briggs Personality Test and explored how this can influence how they interact, make decisions and even suggest possible careers. Through this self-awareness comes self-acceptance and ultimately self-confidence, which is essential to shielding negative peer pressure. It is my hope as our 8<sup>th</sup> graders get ready to head off to High School they remember to "celebrate their strengths, embrace their weaknesses, and accept who they are." I continue to stress how important it is for them to "find their people" by becoming involved in activities in high school. Effectively fending negative peer pressure is possible when you are able to 1) exude confidence and 2) surround yourself with peers that share the same values and goals.

### **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Guidance:**

7<sup>th</sup> grade students completed a "Careers for Me" inventory assessment which introduces them to career clusters and allows them to identify those of their strongest inclinations. Of course, this will undoubtedly change in the years to come, but it is a great starting point for the discussion of careers especially since in the fall we will be preparing for the Williamson County Career Day, which every 8<sup>th</sup> grade student in Williamson County attends. We used the same goal-setting process from earlier this year when we established "academic" goals to set a "career" as a goal. It is important for students to understand possible obstacles they may face as well as to consider manageable steps to achieve whatever their career goals may be.

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

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



## **FMS RISING 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE INFORMATION LINKS**

FMS Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Info:

[http://prezi.com/h\\_g0ibp2jq1f/?utm\\_campaign=share&utm\\_medium=copy](http://prezi.com/h_g0ibp2jq1f/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy)

FMS Honors Information:

[http://prezi.com/-ll2xtizv7ru/?utm\\_campaign=share&utm\\_medium=copy](http://prezi.com/-ll2xtizv7ru/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy)



## 2018 Cougar Summer Summit

Hosted by CHS faculty and CHS Cougar crew  
Refer to the CHS website for additional information:  
<http://www.wcs.edu/chs/>

**Dates:** Tuesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Times:** 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM

**Location:** CHS

**Cost:** \$10 non-refundable supply/registration fee (Make Checks Payable to CHS).

There will also be a Freshman Orientation on August 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8 AM-12 PM.

Parents will attend a Parent Breakfast from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM.



Save the Dates!

## **Rebel Roundup Orientation**

**Tuesday, July 31<sup>th</sup>**

**Last Names A - L: 8:00 - 11:00**

**Last Names M - Z: 12:00 - 3:00**

*For additional information please refer to the FHS Website:*

*<http://www.wcs.edu/fhs/>*

For Incoming Freshmen and New Students to FHS

No registration is needed

**Freshman Parent Mtg - Monday, August 13 - 6:30 pm: Auditorium**



## **Franklin High Merchandise for your future Rebel!**

- FHS Wordle Poster, 11" x 17" - Framed \$20, Unframed \$10
- FHS Sweatshirt Blanket, 50" x 60" - Gray with Power F screen print \$28
- *Bundle price - Get a blanket and framed print for \$40*



Email Amy Black at [sacblack@comcast.net](mailto:sacblack@comcast.net) to order



## Freedom Middle School 2017 – 2018 Quarter 3 All “A” Honor Roll

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Presley Anderson, Avery Bell, Emma Burrell, Elliana Chun, Emma Deck, Nika Duncan, Skyler Duplessis, Reagan Gentile, Dylan Grow, Madeleine Hamilton, Miles Katawala, Katherine Knauer, Isondra Krouse, Elijah Lamb, Maegan Mena, Noah Murray, Brewer Osteen, Taylor Marie Reid, Katelyn Scrip, Hayden Sloan, Ansley Sweet, Autumn Via, Sawyer Veith, Sydnie Waller

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Chandler Bell, Joshua Dodson, Sadaf Folad, Owen Gobel, Shelby Hampton, Andie Kelley, Hannah Kim, Sofia Koziol, Sherlyn Martinez, Austin Mattox, Anthony Mendoza, Charlotte Menko, Jessica O’Neill, Leilah Oshikoya, Abhi Reddy, Anant Sahoo, Aidan Smith, Emily Taylor

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Freedom Middle School 2017 - 2018 Quarter 3 All “A- B” Honor Roll

Immanuel Barr	Sion Dutta	Katelyn Lyons	Amari Robinson
Aaron Beaman	Savannah Dyson	Malynn Martin	Chloe Robinson
Sujalya Bharadwaj	Melina Fuentes	Jay Maxwell	Brennyn Schut
Sydney Burdine	Seamus Giblin	Donevon Mencke	Patrick Styblo
Luke Burnette	Sicily Hardgrave	Isabella Miller	Sara Taylor
Hannah Buster	Jonathan Hartman	Charles Mills	Michael Tindall
Mia Cadaret	Kayli Higdon	Abigail Monroy	Miliana Walton
Abigale Carter	Kayley Hitchman	Abigail Morton	Jolon Watson
Alison Casco Molina	William Humphreys	Jacob Newton	Ethan Wheeler
Jessica Collins	Shivaani Jagadeeswaran	Celeste Philips	Laurel Woodruff
Makayla Cox	Jillian Johnson	Ryan Pimentel	James Workman
Sophia Cox	Coral Keffas	Karena Prince	Jackson Wynne-Dossat
Audrey Davis	Mica Labruyere	Ethan Rea	Michael Yates
Jason Dong	Gabriel Luepke	Camden Reuthe	Dominic Young
			Jay Young

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Freedom Middle School 2017 - 2018 Quarter 3 All “A- B” Honor Roll

Akshi Akshilesha	Megan Gauthier	Deklan Larring	Gavin Reid
Yagmur Arslan	Hayden Gill	Liberty Lege	Jesus Sanchez
Maia Ashworth	Katie Hathcock	James McGaha	Abigail Slusser
Lucy Belue	Matthew Hazelwood	Kaitlyn McIntosh	Leah Smith
Geoffrey Booker	Jonathan Henschel	Ana Mendez	Anna Speedy
Brylee Carrasco	Andrew Huang	Abby Mickholtzick	Ethan Stokes
Katherine Changas	Anastasia Hurt	Lizbeth Montesinos	Zoe Summar
Ryan Connally	Sivani Kasibhotla	Johnathan Mover	Emma Summey
Colin Cravens	Harper Kline	Manojwal Oddiraju	Megan Thorne
Lily Evans	Hailey Knecht	Olukemi Onadeko	Rebekah Underhill
Nicole Fikejs	Johan Ko	Camden Parker	Michelle Valadez
Steffanie Flores	Jake Lake	Allegra Partington	Victoria Voronkina-Yitzchaki
Sierra Fox	Layla Landry	Devon Reed	Caleb White

FMS 2018

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HELP US RECOGNIZE OUR SHINING STARS  
FROM THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

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FREEDOM MIDDLE SCHOOL  
GYMNASIUM

6:30



# Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event

## Saturday, May 5, 2018

8:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Williamson County Administrative Complex  
1320 West Main Street, Franklin



*Household Hazardous Waste is defined as any corrosive, flammable, toxic, or reactive material used in your home, car or truck, or garden and lawn that is unwanted or unusable.*

*Sponsored by Tennessee  
Department of Environment  
and Conservation*

### Now is your chance... It's FREE!

You can safely dispose of all your leftover and unwanted household chemicals, lawn and garden products, and automotive materials.

### Things to Bring:

#### Household Cleaners

Drain Openers  
Oven Cleaners  
Wood Cleaners & Polishes  
Metal Cleaners & Polishes  
Toilet Bowl Cleaners  
Disinfectants

#### Home Maintenance

##### Chemicals

Paint Thinner  
Wood Preservatives  
Paint Strippers & Removers,  
Adhesives

#### Miscellaneous

Fingernail Polish Remover  
Pool Chemicals  
Photo Processing Chemicals  
Medicines & Drugs  
Reactive Materials  
Aerosols  
Compressed Gas  
Mercury Thermostats  
Mercury Thermometers  
Fluorescent Light Bulbs  
Lead  
Needles/Sharps (in container)

#### Lawn & Garden

##### Chemicals

Herbicides  
Pesticides  
Fungicides  
Fertilizers

##### Automotive Products

Fuel Additives  
Grease & Rust Solvents  
Air Conditioning Refrigerants  
Starter Fluids  
Body Putty  
Coolants  
Carburetor/ Fuel Injector Cleaners

**NO:** Medical or Infectious Waste (besides needles and sharps in puncture-proof containers), Explosives, Ammunition, Radioactive waste including smoke detectors, or any empty containers.

**NO:** Batteries, Oil, Paint, Antifreeze, Electronics (BOPAE) will be accepted at the collection.

Batteries, oil, paint, antifreeze and electronics are accepted M-F 6:30am-2pm at 417 Century Court, Franklin.

Waste from **NON-household sources** such as Businesses, Schools, Farms, Churches, Etc. will be accepted **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.** Call 615-643-3170 to request a price quote and schedule an appointment.

For More Information: Please call 615-790-0742 or visit [www.williamsonrecycles.org](http://www.williamsonrecycles.org).