

3/8/21

# Wildcat Family,

We had another great week at FHS. This week marks the one year anniversary of schools closing due to the pandemic. While this last year has brought its challenges, we would be remiss if we did not take a moment to recognize the resilience of our students. FHS students have demonstrated grit and maturity over the last year, and have adapted to what school and life look like amid Covid-19. As numbers continue to go down, we hope to continue to see school go back to "normal" and finish the year strong! Thank you to our amazing teachers, staff and parents for everything you have done over the last year to support our students during this unprecedented time.

Next week marks the end of the 3rd quarter!

FCS will have a 90 minute Early Release on Friday 3/19/21.

Report Cards will go home with students on 3/26/21.

<u>Teachers and Staff 2nd Vaccines:</u> FCS will be CLOSED and have Blizzard Bag Days on Wednesday 3/17/21 and Thursday 3/18/21 to facilitate the second round of vaccines for teachers and staff. Please read the letter linked below from Dr. Sander with specifics. FCS Vaccine Letter for 3/17 and 3/18

Spring Pictures: Spring Pictures are scheduled for Monday 3/15/21. All students received forms. In case they did not make it home, click on the link below for information on how to order online.

Spring Picture Day 3/15/21

Congratulations to <u>Mrs. Judy</u> and <u>Mr. Koogle</u> for both being recognized as OhioDLA Remote Teacher Award winners for the month of March.

Best of luck to Tyler Woods! Senior Tyler Woods qualified for the OHSAA state tournament this weekend taking 2nd place in the district wrestling tournament at Wilmington High School. Tyler's record this year is 29-1 at the 132lb weight class. He has accumulated 136 career victories putting him 2nd on Franklin's all time wins list. Tyler is a 2x state qualifier, 2x sectional champion, and a 4x league champion. Congrats to Coach Matt Franklin and former coaches that were involved in Tyler's wrestling journey!

# Graduation Update: Friday May 21, 2021

Graduation will happen in person!

Graduates will be limited to 2 in-person guests, which we know is not ideal. If the Governor increases capacity for in-door venues and we can allow more guests, we will make it happen, but we may not know this information until closer to the event. The event will be livestreamed, so family and friends will be able to watch you get your diploma live!

Get excited!

• Graduation is Friday 5/21/21 at 7pm at Princeton Pike Church of God

• Graduation Practice is Wednesday 5/19/21 from 9-11am

Prom Update: Saturday May 8th

Prom is Happening!
May 8th at Top of the Market
Seniors w/dates
Juniors-room for dates TBD
More details to come!

Football Meet the Coach Night: Tuesday, March 23rd at 7:00 pm in the High School Auditorium, we are inviting all current 9th - 11th graders interested in playing football, along with their parents, to meet Head Football Coach Larry Cox and Staff. We are excited to formally introduce him to our players and parents. He will share his vision of the football program as well as go over some important upcoming events including the mulch sale. We look forward to seeing our football players and their parents at this meeting.

MONDAY MARCH 15TH-FRIDAY MARCH 19TH, 2021

UPCOMING WEEKLY EVENTS			
Monday 3/15/21	<ul> <li>Advisory Schedule</li> <li>Spring Pictures/Club Pictures</li> <li>Graduation Announcement Pick-Up and Lunch</li> </ul>		
Tuesday 3/16/21	<ul><li>Advisory Schedule</li><li>Blood Drive</li></ul>		
Wednesday 3/17/21	No School: Blizzard Bag Day		
Thursday 3/18/21	<ul> <li>No School: Blizzard Bag Day</li> <li>New High School Community Forum 6-8 pm FHS Auditorium</li> </ul>		
Friday 3/19/21	<ul> <li>90 Minute Early Release Schedule</li> <li>End of 3rd Quarter</li> </ul>		
Quick Reminders	<ul> <li>Next Round Public School Works due 4/15/21</li> <li>3rd Quarter Timeline:         <ul> <li>Friday 3/19/21: End of 3rd Quarter (90 Minute Early Release for Students)</li> <li>Tuesday 3/23/21: 3rd Quarter Grades due by 7:30am</li> <li>Wednesday 3/24/21: 3rd Quarter Edit Sheets due by 7:30am</li> <li>Friday 3/26/21: 3rd Quarter Report Cards distributed</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

<u>Class of 2021 and Community Service for Graduation:</u> After talking to Dr. Sander, and taking into account the difficulty students are having completing community service hours in light of Covid, the community service required for graduation for the Class of 2021 is being waived.

Congrats to the FHS Academic Team for their 3rd place finish at their League Competition. Thank you to all the efforts of their two Amazing Advisors, Ms. Reynolds and Ms. Lord!



#### **Exciting News from the French Department:**

In December, pairs of AP French students submitted videos to participate in the 2020 AATF National French Week Media Contest.

This week, we received notice that **Ashely Hall and Molly Eyink's** video "Tout est possible avec le français" (All is possible with French) took 2nd place out of 103 videos, earning them a shared \$125.00. Felicitations, nous sommes si fiers de vous!! (Congratulations, we are so proud of you.)

Two more groups received honorable mention

- Hayley Canter and Kennedy Jones
- Ashley Stamper and Skylar Warden

# Miamisburg Art Gallery

Please consider stopping by the Miamisburg Art Gallery (16 N Main Street in Miamisburg) from March 6th-March 27th to see the artwork of 24 FHS art students! FHS has 41 pieces in the show alongside student work from other area high schools.

Exhibit Opening: March 6th-March 27th (this is the 30th year of this show!)

- Hours for student exhibit:
- Sunday 1pm-5pm
- Mon, Tues, Wed, Thursday 5:30pm-8:00pm
- Friday, Saturday 12:00pm-8:00pm
- Franklin NIght at the Gallery:
- Wednesday, March 24th 5:30pm-8:00pm

Congratulations to the following FHS Art Students on placing in their categories at the Miamisburg Art Gallery High School Exhibition! FHS artists won a total of **13 awards** at the show!:

# Best of Show for her untitled portrait painting: Arebella Llyod

#### **Portrait Category:**

- Brooke Wallace took second place with her acrylic portrait painting
- Callie Imundo took fourth place AND
- the President's Award with her original Star Wars colored pencil drawing
- Maddy Back won an honorable mention with her acrylic portrait painting

#### **Still Life Category:**

- Isabel Rogers took third place with her graphite drawing
- AND she took fourth place with her flower painting
- Sam Hopper won an honorable mention with her graphite drawing

#### **Animals Category:**

- Gracie Abner took second place with her colored pencil cow drawing
- Arebella Llyod won an honorable mention with her colored pencil frog drawing
- Sam Hopper won an honorable mention with her colored pencil lizard drawing
- Brenna Clifford won an honorable mention with her African Dog colored pencil drawing

#### Landscape Category:

Natalie Reed won an honorable mention for her 3D cardboard landscape

# Thank you for your support of these FHS Art students!!

# Need help with your electric bill? Click here!

# Guidance Update: Friday, March 12

- ASVAB Test: The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery test for entrance into the military will be administered at the high school for interested Juniors and Seniors on Thursday, March 25. Students who are interested should sign up by Monday, March 22, either in the Guidance Office or via Google Form that was sent out to student's school emails. On Monday (3/22), students will have the opportunity to attend a study session with a military recruiter.
- College Credit Plus (CCP) Night: This year's annual CCP night was held virtually last week. If you missed the meeting, parents and students will be required to watch the recording of the meeting in order to be eligible to participate in the CCP program next year. The link to the recording is available on our website. The required CCP paperwork is available in the Guidance Office & is due by May 1.
- <u>Scheduling for 2021-22</u>: The counselors have begun meeting with students individually to review their course selections and discuss future plans. A copy of student's course requests will be mailed home after spring break so parents can review student course selections.
- Advisory: Every Monday, students will experience a Social Emotional Learning activity in his/her Advisory class. The next few months will be focused on leadership. During the months of January through March, students will be

virtually attending the Anthony Munoz Leadership Youth Summit on Mondays. There will be a series of speakers and related discussions centering around topics such as personal challenges, overcoming adversity, and leadership skills.

\*\*If you have any questions for the guidance staff, please contact your child's counselor. Students with last names starting with A-K, please contact Kelly Wright at <a href="mailto:kwright@franklincityschools.com">kwright@franklincityschools.com</a>, students with last names starting with L-Z, contact Haley Arlinghaus at <a href="mailto:harlinghaus@franklincityschools.com">harlinghaus@franklincityschools.com</a>, or the FHS Student Support Counselor, Mrs. Bialk at <a href="mailto:jbialk@franklincityschools.com">jbialk@franklincityschools.com</a>

Guidance Office Procedures 2020-2021

**Graduation Cheat Sheet** 

#### FHS 2020-2021 Yearbooks are on Sale Now:

Yearbooks are \$60 from Feb 1-Feb 15. From Feb 16-April 30 the cost is \$75. All yearbooks must be purchased online. Here is the link: 20-21 FHS Yearbook Order Link If you have questions, please contact Michelle Judy at mjudy@franklincityschools.com

#### **Calamity Days at FHS:**

Any additional FCS Calamity Days will be Distance Learning Days for grades K-12. Treating any additional Calamity Days as Distance Learning Day means no additional school days will have to be added to the calendar.

Students, this means you will be expected to log-on to Zoom/Hangout meetings and complete assignments for your courses remotely.

# FHS Calamity Day Distance Learning Schedule

Period	Start Time	End Time	Length
1	7:30	8:20	50 minutes Zoom/Hangout 7:30-7:55 Independent Practice 7:55-8:20
2	8:25	9:15	50 minutes  Zoom/Hangout 8:25-8:50  Independent Practice 8:50-9:15
3	9:20	10:10	50 minutes Zoom/Hangout 9:20-9:45 Independent Practice 9:45-10:10
4th/5th 5th/6th	10:15	11:05	50 minutes Zoom/Hangout 10:15-10:40 Independent Practice 10:40-11:05
Lunch	11:15	11:45	30 minutes
6th/7th 7th/8th	11:50	12:40	50 minutes Zoom/Hangout 11:50-12:15 Independent Practice 12:15-12:40
9	12:45	1:35	50 minutes Zoom/Hangout 12:45-1:10 Independent Practice 1:10-1:35
10	1:40	2:30	50 minutes Zoom/Hangout 1:40-2:05 Independent Practice 2:05-2:30

Mask Protocols: We have had some issues recently with students not wearing their masks appropriately. Proper mask protocols are non-negotiable, and it is considered a health and safety issue. Masks must cover students' noses and mouths at all times. In addition, we are having more and more students arriving at school without masks. While we have them in the office and will provide them, students should be coming to school with masks. We appreciate any support and reinforcement you can provide at home to ensure students have masks when they arrive at school and are wearing them correctly.

#### **Food Service Update:**

Franklin City Schools is excited to announce that we will be continuing the free lunch program for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

USDA has announced that they will continue to make meals free to all children in our district through May 27, 2021. We are asking that you still fill out a free and reduced form if you haven't yet this school year, if you feel you might qualify. If you qualify, school fees may also be waived. You can visit <a href="www.lunchapplication.com">www.lunchapplication.com</a> to complete an application. If you have questions or would like a form sent home with your child, please email Lori Feltner at <a href="LFeltner@franklincityschools.com">LFeltner@franklincityschools.com</a>. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

#### 2020-2021 Free and Reduced Lunch Paperwork:

We have multiple families that have still not submitted their Free and Reduced Lunch Applications for the 2020-2021 school year. We suspect this is because all students get free lunch this year. However, without that paperwork on file, we cannot waive students' school fees. In addition, our percentage of students that qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch is tied to our state and federal funding, and we want to make sure the percentage we receive is a true reflection of our students and families. You can complete the application online here Free and Reduced Lunch Application or print it off here FCS Food Service Forms and return to the FHS Main Office. If you have any questions, please contact our Director of Food Services Mrs. Lori Feltner at lfeltner@franklincityschools.com or (937)743-8600 ext. 1418.

# Seniors/Class of 2021 and Lunch Charges:

As of Monday January 11th, no Seniors are allowed to charge any extra items if their account has a negative balance. We will be accepting payments starting Monday January 11th from the hours of 7:15-12:45pm in the FHS Cafeteria. Payments can also be made online through EZpay with no fee added.

# Quarantine Updates: (Posted on the FCS Website 1/7/21)

A message to district families -

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) put out new guidance regarding quarantining at K-12 schools. If a student or teacher is exposed in the classroom setting to someone with COVID-19, quarantine is not recommended for the exposed child or staff member as long those exposed were wearing masks. A change in quarantine procedures does not apply in the cafeteria or for extra-curriculars. Existing quarantining procedures will continue for those areas. The Warren County Public Health supports these changes in procedures.

Before this change, any student or staff member that was within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more of someone that was COVID-19 positive had to quarantine. A study was recently completed in Ohio that examined the positivity rates of those in quarantine based on

school exposure. It showed that, in a supervised classroom setting, there was no discernable difference in rates of COVID-19 among students who were close contacts with someone with the disease and students in the same grade who were not close contacts.

As we welcome back all our students on Monday, January 11, 2021, for the start of the second semester, we will continue to monitor information both internally, in the community, and around the state. If changes are needed to the schedule we will do everything we can to inform you as soon as possible. We believe that these changes in quarantine procedures, though, will dramatically increase our chances of maintaining in-person learning while at the same time providing a safe and secure learning environment.

Click on the link here for more information from ODH

#### **Transportation:**

Due to a shortage of bus drivers, there have been days where we have had to combine bus routes, which has affected pick-up and drop-off times. We anticipate there will be additional days this will continue to be needed to get students to school. We understand this is not ideal, but please know we appreciate your understanding and patience.

# **ROAR/PRIDE Student Recognition:**

Every week we'll be recognizing students for demonstrating one of the pillars of R.O.A.R. PRIDE. R.O.A.R. stands for Respect, Ownership, Attitude, and Responsibility. If a student is "caught" demonstrating one of these pillars, staff recognizes the student by giving them a card which enters them into a weekly drawing for an incentive. If your student is on the attached list, please ask them why they were recognized this week. We are so proud of our students contributing to a positive school climate. Week of 3/8/21 Student Recognition

# **Attendance Update:**

If you have a student who is absent from school, please remind them to contact their teachers about the work they missed during their absence. Since every student at FHS has a device, students who are absent have the opportunity to communicate with their teachers and make sure they are keeping up with their assignments. Students with excused absences should collect an Attendance Excusal Form from the main office when they return to school. Completing and submitting this form will help students improve their overall attendance and ensure their grades reflect the work they completed while they were out. This process, as a whole, is intended to help students increase and demonstrate ownership of their educational process. If you have any questions about attendance, please contact Mr. Voynovich at <a href="mailto:mvoynovich@franklincityschools.com">mvoynovich@franklincityschools.com</a> or Mrs. Faulkner at <a href="mailto:hfaulkner@franklincityschools.com">hfaulkner@franklincityschools.com</a>.

# **Catalyst Counseling:**

Franklin City Schools is partnered with Catalyst Counseling, a holistic and strength based mental health counseling service that provides care directly to students in a school setting. Contact FHS administration or guidance to get connected with one of our building's Catalyst counselors

#### Wi-Fi Hotspot Available for Franklin Students:



Do you have a child K-12 that needs access to WiFi for school work??

United Way of Warren County and Warren County Community Services are providing complimentary, filtered and age-appropriate WiFi for families needing internet access from Franklin City Schools. The location of the WiFi will be at 333 Conover Dr, Suite A (outside near the garages of the WCCS building). The WiFi is available now and will be on Mondays at 10 am and turn off on Friday by 4 pm.

Children that need WiFi access will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian. We will NOT provide supervision, only access. This is a community program provided by United Way of Warren County and Warren County Community Services, not a school sponsored event.

WiFi User Name – Conover WiFi Access
WiFi Password – UWWC/WCCS
Please contact Annie Droege with questions at
annied@wccsinc.org
or 513-222-9114 from 8-5, M-F.

### **Transition Advising Provided by Sinclair:**

Meet Your Student's Transition Advisor

Sinclair Community College has partnered with Franklin High School to help CCP and Tech Prep students maximize their early college credit. Sinclair Transition Advisor Samantha Small can help students align early college credit to all college/career goals and provide services to ensure a clear transition after high school. Your TA can provide information about:

- Registering for CCP courses
- Understanding how CCP or Tech Prep credits fulfills the requirements of a college credential
- Declaring a major and building a My Academic Plan (MAP)
- Financial Aid & Scholarship questions
- Transition from high school to college
- Career Planning
- Completing Sinclair Degree & Certification Programs
- Transferring completed credits to a different college
- Enrolling at Sinclair after high school

Spring registration begins on October 26th, 2020 so make sure your student is ready for the new semester by making an appointment! Please contact Samantha Small at:

Phone: 937.241.6524

Email: Samantha.small@sincair.edu

Appointment: https://tinyurl.com/sam-ta-sinclair

#### Important End of Year Dates for the Class of 2021:

Just a reminder for all Seniors and their families that all outstanding SCHOOL and LUNCH FEES must be paid in full for a student to receive their diploma upon graduation.

- Friday 5/7
  - o Senior Awards 8am in FHS Auditorium
- Saturday 5/8
  - o Prom at Top of the Market
- Wednesday 5/12-Friday 5/14
  - Senior Exams
  - o If Seniors do not have to take Senior Exams, their last day will be Tuesday 5/11
- Tuesday 5/18
  - o Drive-Through Celebration for the Class of 2021-6-8pm
- Wednesday 5/19
  - o Graduation Practice 9am at Princeton Pike Church of God
- Friday 5/21
  - o Graduation 7pm Princeton Pike Church of God

#### **Europe Tour 2022:**

Tour 2022 - Paris, Normandy, Mont St. Michel, Loire Valley Castles and London If you are interested in sending your child on the Tour with Mrs. Crosley in 2 years, she will be having a virtual meeting next week on Wednesday at 6:30. You can contact her directly for more details at hcrosley@franklincityschool.com or follow this link: Link for Europe Tour 2022

# A Day in the Life at Franklin High School:

Link to review: A Day in the Life at Franklin High School

# Remote Student Needing Tech Support?

ANY remote learning student who needs tech support can stop by either of the buildings, during those time slots.

Junior High - Tuesdays from 10-12

High School - Thursdays from 1-3

Those that have expressed an interest in having their child(ren) to learn remotely for second semester have received this information via email.

<u>Spectrum High-Speed Internet at an Affordable Price.</u> To qualify for this program offered by Spectrum, one must be a recipient of on of one of the following:

- National School Lunch Program (free or reduced lunch)
- The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)
- Supplemental Security Income (65 years and older)

If you meet one of the criteria above you may qualify for this program. Reliable internet and an appropriate device are critical for your child's success when learning remotely. Please click on the link above for additional information.

**Registration Gateway:** 

All beginning of the year paperwork must be completed online by Friday 9/11/20.

FCS Link for Registration Gateway

**FHS Supply Lists:** 

FHS Supply Lists by Department 2020-2021

**School Safety:** 

We are working hard every day to make FHS safe for all stakeholders. Included below is a copy of the parking lot map to provide a visual for our parking and traffic structure at FHS. Please pay particular attention to locations for student-drop off and student parking.

FHS Parking Lot Map

#### Student Attendance and the 2020-2021 School Calendar:

To help families stay organized when planning events, included below is a link to the school calendar so you know the days Franklin City Schools are in session. Please make every effort to schedule trips, appointments, etc. outside of the school day. Attendance is a key component to students' academic success!

#### FCS 20-21 School Calendar

For your reference, here are documents provided by the Warren County ESC that outline specific guidelines for attendance, for both students attending in person and students attending remotely.

Warren County Attendance Policy 2020-2021

Warren County Remote Learning Attendance Policy 20-21

#### FHS Student Handbook:

Below you will find links to our handbook, and an abbreviated list of changes for the 2020-2021 school year.

# 2020-2021 FHS Student Handbook

The Student Handbook will also be shared with students via email, reviewed during Advisory, and are posted on the Franklin City School Website.

# Follow FHS Administration Social Media Outlets:



Facebook: AdminsFHS



Instagram: @adminsfhs



Twitter: @AdminsFHS

We are using all of these social media sources as communication tools and a way to communicate with stakeholders.

<u>Mental Health Support</u>: Warren County has support for students and families dealing with issues related to mental health and addiction. Sometimes, the first step is the hardest. Below is a link to resources available in Warren County. If you feel you or someone you know is in crisis, please contact the Warren and Clinton County Crisis Hotline at 877-695-NEED (6333). <u>Mental Health Crisis Services - Warren County ESC</u>

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mrs. Fromm or Mr. Voynovich.

Your partners in Education~

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# FHS Upcoming School Events: (Through end of 20/21 School Year)

- Friday 3/26
  - o 3rd Quarter Report Cards Distributed
- Wednesday 3/31
  - o Cap and Gown Delivery during lunch
- Friday 4/2
  - o No School: Good Friday
- Monday 4/5 and Tuesday 4/6
  - o FCS Spring Break
- Wednesday 4/7
  - Classes Resume
- Friday 4/24-Sunday 4/25
  - o Spring Musical Once Upon a Mattress
- Saturday 4/24
  - District Art Show
- Friday 4/30
  - o 4th Quarter Interims live on Progress Book
- Tuesday 5/4
  - Choir Concert 7pm in FHS Auditorium

- Thursday 5/6
  - o Band Concert Grades 6-12 6:30pm in FHS Auditorium
- Friday 5/7
  - o Senior Awards 8am in FHS Auditorium
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- Wednesday 5/26-5/28
  - o Underclassmen Exams
- Friday 5/28
  - Last day for Students
  - o End of 4th Quarter/2nd Semester
- Week of June 7th
  - o 4th Quarter/2nd Semester Report Cards Mailed Home
- Friday June 18th
  - o FHS Office Closed for Summer
- Monday August 2nd
  - o FHS Office Re-opens for 2021-2022 school year