From the Desk of Principal Anderson:

Dear Franklin Families,

It has been a long winter, hopefully spring is well on its way, as the first official day is March 21st. The snow caused a series of school cancellations as well as late starts this year, and I wanted to remind you all that we do have make-up days scheduled at the end of the year. School will now be in session on Thursday, June 13th and Friday, June 14th (half-day).

We also have spring conferences just around the corner on March 27th – March 29th. You student will be bringing home their conference form the week of March 11th for you to fill out and select a time. Please fill them out and have your student return them by Wednesday, March 13th.

Parents/Guardians, please update your contact information at conferences to ensure the best possible communication between the school and you.
The Franklin Middle School guidance counselors, Joe Rodriguez and Ana Montemayor, present our students a variety of means to be able to explore their choices for continuing their educations after high school. Our goal here at Franklin is to help our students start to think about what career pathways they may be interested in and which schools after they graduate will help them to reach their goals. We hope by doing so, Franklin students will be able to make more informed choices about the classes they take in high school to also help reach their career goals. In March, Yakima Valley College visited during lunch with our students. Our students were able to get information about the programs provided at YVC and also to speak with a representative to address their specific questions.

Another opportunity our counselors provided was, Expanding Your Horizons, at CWU. On Saturday, March 2nd, CWU hosted a day for young females to come and learn about careers in math and science. Mrs. Montemayor took 28 of our students.

A huge thank you to our outstanding counseling team, thank you Mr. Rodriguez and Mrs. Montemayor!
PTSA Meeting Schedule 2018-2019

- March 14th 2:45-3:30
- April 11th 2:45-3:30
- May 16th 2:45-3:30

Location: Franklin Library

Meeting Highlights

- PTSA will host a Cinco de Mayo family celebration on Thursday May 2nd at Franklin Middle School
- PTSA will host a Spring Bingo night for Franklin families on April 18th at 6:30pm in the Commons

March Meeting Items

- Spring Bingo
- Cinco de Mayo family celebration
- Survey Results

Franklin Middle School PTSA Officers 2018-2019

President: Kate Watters
Vice President: Brian Platt
Secretary: Maria Garfias
Treasurer: Loretta Franz
Student Showcase
Franklin Middle School Music

The month of March brings about our annual adjudication for the musicians at Franklin Middle School. Our band, choir, and orchestra students compete against 20 other schools from the area and are scored in ten areas:

- Tone quality
- Intonation
- Blend/balance
- Rythmic/note accuracy
- Articulation
- Facility (technical ability)
- Interpretation
- Phrasing
- Expression, sensitivity, nuance
- Literature/appearance

Our orchestra, under the direction of Grace Bergman, performed on March 6th.

Our band and choir, under the direction of Brian Petilo, will perform on March 12th.
Study secrets—revealed

Anna knows what she needs to accomplish when she sits down to study. She stays focused and tends to remember the material. Her secret? Strong study skills! Share these strategies with your tween.

**Skill:** Set goals.

**Strategy:** Encourage your child to jot down specific goals for each study session and check off each one as she meets it. She should be as detailed as possible. Example: “Learn 30 vocabulary words before Friday’s Spanish test.” It may also help to make deals with herself. (“I can take a break after I’ve learned 15 words.”)

**Skill:** Stay focused.

**Strategy:** Suggest that your middle grader eliminate distractions before she studies. For instance, she should silence her phone and put it in another room. Hunger and fatigue can also make her mind wander, so she could eat a healthy snack or go for a quick jog before she buckles down.

**Skill:** Monitor understanding.

**Strategy:** After your tween reviews her notes, handouts, and textbook, she can make up a quiz. Taking the quiz and checking her answers will show her what she still needs to work on. Have her write anything she doesn’t understand on a sticky note and ask her teacher for help.

Spotlight on history

History is full of fascinating places and intriguing people for your child to discover. With these ideas, he can step into the past—right in your living room:

- Work separately or together to create something fun that represents a time period. For instance, your family might build a Lego model of an Egyptian pyramid. Or tape large sheets of paper to a wall, and draw or paint an Aztec mural.
- Have each person secretly pick a historical figure to research, maybe Benjamin Franklin or Amelia Earhart. Then, host a game show where everyone asks yes-or-no questions to guess each other’s characters.
Franklin Follies 2019

Franklin Middle School is proud to present the 2019 Franklin Follies. This year’s theme is Disney. All interested performers will need to complete the form below, which can be found in the Main Office. Auditions will begin April 9th and the performance will by the evening of May 30th at 6:30 in the Franklin Commons.

FRANKLIN FOLLIES SIGN-UP SHEET due by March 29th, 2019

Disney IS THE 2019 THEME

Name of person(s) performing:

Type of talent being performed:

_____ Playing a musical instrument

_____ Singing

_____ Dancing

_____ Comedy

_____ Acting

_____ Lip-sync

Which Disney movie/show is your piece from? (this form in incomplete without this information and you will not be registered for tryouts) ____________________________

ALL SIGN UP SHEETS MUST BE TURNED INTO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH

Auditions will be scheduled beginning Tuesday, April 9th after school. Auditions will go until 3:30PM.

You must arrange your own transportation after auditions and practices
## Boys Basketball Schedule Winter 2019

All Buses Depart at 1:30 PM

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**Semi Finals**

Mar. 13 | 4:45 | G1: #4 @ #1 | Main | 3:30 | G2: #3 @ #2 | Main |

**Championships**

Mar. 14 | 3:30 | LG1 @ LG2 | Main | 3:30 | LG2 @ LG1 | Main |
| Thurs. | 4:45 | WG2 @ WG1 | Main | |

Adams games will be played at site #1 and site #2.
## MIDDLE SCHOOL BOWLING SCHEDULE 2019

All matches begin at 3:30 p.m.

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Upcoming Events!

6th GRADE CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA CONCERT – MARCH 19TH 6:30PM
Join us in an enjoyable evening of music as the 6th grade choir and orchestra showcase their spring music.

7th & 8th GRADE BAND, CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA CONCERT – MARCH 21ST 6:30PM
Join us in an enjoyable evening of music as the 7th & 8th grade band, choir and, orchestra showcase their spring music.

PTSA MONTHLY MEETING- MARCH 14TH 2:45PM
Please join our PTSA for our monthly meeting in the Franklin Middle School Library.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES– MARCH 27TH, 28TH, 29TH
Please see the form that will be coming home with students to schedule a time for conferences.

FRANKLIN FOLLIES SIGH-UP– DUE MARCH 29TH
Students we encourage you to take part in our annual talent event, the Franklin Follies. To sign-up for an audition, please fill out a form, available in the Main Office. All forms are due March 29th.

SPRING BREAK– APRIL 1ST – 5TH
Spring break for students will begin on Monday April 1st. Students will return to school on April 8th.

PTSA MONTHLY MEETING– APRIL 11TH 2:45PM
Please join our PTSA for our monthly meeting in the Franklin Middle School Library.

SPRING BINGO NIGHT– APRIL 18TH 6:30PM
Just like Turkey Bingo in the fall, come an play to win a variety of prizes!