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From the Desk of Principal Anderson:

Dear Franklin Families,

It is hard to believe that we are already nearing the end of the first semester and that the holiday season is fast upon us. As we come to a close of the first semester, we ask that you encourage your student(s) to take advantage of the holiday break to complete any missing work that they may have. Please encourage them to connect with their teachers to get any missing assignments that could be completed while on winter break. We certainly want the break to be family time, but also see the value of using a portion of it to ensure the highest level of academic success as possible for all of our students here at Franklin.

We would also like to remind families to do their best to make sure with the colder winter temperatures to have their students dress accordingly. The students are all welcome to come inside in the morning before to eat breakfast and to play board games, however we do have many who choose to stay outside. For those families who are in need of assistance with winter coats, hats, mittens, or boots for their Franklin students, please contact our guidance office as we are happy to help whenever we can.

Finally, our entire staff here at Franklin would like to wish all of our Franklin Families a very happy, safe, and enjoyable holiday season!

UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION

Parents/Guardians, please update your contact information at conferences to ensure the best possible communication between the school and you.

Planning for the Future

8th Grade to High School Transition Process



For our 8th grade students, the selection process of their high school is about to begin. We really hope that our 8th grade families took advantage of the parent nights that each of the 4 high school options provided in the beginning of December. The decision process is a critical one as each school offers outstanding opportunities and diversity of courses, but they also each have their own uniqueness that set them apart. Our 8th grade students watched a video highlighting some of these items on Monday December 3rd in their Connections class. Our guidance counselors will be speaking with the 8th graders about the high school selection process the week of December 12-19.



Parents, please anticipate your student coming home with their High School Choice Form on Monday, January 7th. We encourage you to discuss this decision as a family when deciding between A.C. Davis, Eisenhower, Stanton, and Yakima Online. The forms are due on January 11th. Please make certain that your student brings it back signed and ready to turn in.



If you have any questions about the programs at any of the high schools, please contact the counselors at that high school for further information. If you have questions about the process please contact our counselors here at Franklin.



FRANKLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL PTSA

PTSA Meeting Schedule 2018-2019

- December 13th 2:45-3:30
- January 10th 2:45-3:30
- February 7th 2:45-3:30
- March 14th 2:45-3:30
- April 11th 2:45-3:30
- May 16th 2:45-3:30

Location: Franklin Library

November Meeting Highlights

- PTSA will put together a prize basket for people who register to win it at Parent/Teacher conferences to promote membership
- Elected 2018-2019 officers
- Discussed possible ideas for how to increase membership
 - Set-up table at Franklin events such as music and Open House
 - Raffle promotions
- Discuss with ASB leadership the possibility of having those student officers join PTSA as student representation

December Meeting Items

- Membership update on total number involved
- Determine January and February PTSA events that will be hosted by Franklin PTSA
- Discuss ideas with any students present on how they would like to increase family involvement at Franklin Middle School this year

Franklin Middle School PTSA Officers 2018-2019

President: Kate Watters

Vice President: Brian Platt

Secretary: Maria Garfias

Treasurer: Loretta Franz

Spotlight Interview

Peter Whitney & Spencer Johnson

Two of our 6th grade students have dedicated a great deal of extra time outside of their school day to a shared passion, running. Peter Whitney and Spencer Johnson are a part of a local cross country running team the, Sun City Harriers, that has qualified for the US Track and Field National Junior Olympics Cross Country competition in Reno, Nevada on December 8th. Here is what the two boys had to say about their journey as runners.

How long have you been running competitively?

Peter: 2 years

Spencer : 4 years

What do you enjoy most about running?

Peter: You don't have to be good at throwing a ball straight. You are always working to beat your own best time and you get to hangout with friends who like to run too.

Spencer: I like running outdoors a lot, it's a good chance to just to be outside. I especially like running with my friends.

How did you first get into running?

Peter: I was playing soccer and I wasn't enjoying it at all, but I liked the running part of the game, so I decided to try out just running.

Spencer: Well, my mom and dad run a lot so it's kinda what we do.

What goals do you have for yourselves as runners over the next 5 years?

Peter: I would like my mile time to be 5:15 and I would like to be on the high school varsity team.

Spencer: I would like a 10:00 minute time for my 3000m and a 5:30 mile time.

Life goals for running?

Peter: Qualify for the American Olympic trials for track

Spencer: Qualify and run the Boston Marathon



FRANKLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL SAFETY

Our Safety Plan at Franklin Middle School

The Franklin Middle School Safety Team has worked extensively to develop and train for emergency situations that could occur. Our hope is that we will not need to enact any of these plans. It is our belief that it is best to prepare to our fullest ability to ensure the safety of all of our students and staff at Franklin. In order to do that the follow measures have been taken by the team:

- Monthly practice of various types of drills
- Development of a safety plan address multiple types of emergency situations
- Safety Team meetings twice a month
- Assistance in the development of Safe Schools Training workshop by SRO Rey Garza
- Participation in the Safe Schools Training workshop by a variety Franklin Staff members

“The Yakima School District is committed to providing academic success for all students. In order to achieve these objectives, it is essential that each school provide a safe environment for all students, staff, and others who occupy its buildings and campuses. The Yakima School District acknowledges that school safety is a fundamental prerequisite for student success and academic achievement”.

Suggestions In The Event of an Emergency Evacuation

- Establish a meeting place for you and your student that is off the Franklin campus. Discuss it as a family, and physically go to that location so you are all clear where it is.
- Do not call Franklin Middle School looking for your student. In the event of an actual evacuation, the building will be empty and no one will be in the office to answer calls. Instead please call the district office 509-573-7000
- Please do not attempt to drive onto campus, the area surrounding Franklin Middle School will be under the control of the Yakima Police Department.
- The reunification site for an off-campus evacuation is Trinity Lutheran Church located on Yakima Ave.

Emergency Evacuation Procedure



FRANKLIN WRESTLING 2018-2019

YSD MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS
2018-2019 Winter 1 Wrestling
All Matches begin at 3:30 or 3:45
All Buses Depart Schools at 1:30 PM

<u>DATE</u>		<u>TIME</u>	<u>TEAMS</u>
Tuesday	11/6/18	3:30	Take Down Tournament at Lewis & Clark
Wednesday	11/14/18	3:30	Washington @ Lewis & Clark
		3:30	Franklin @ Wilson
Wednesday	11/28/18	3:30	Washington @ Franklin
		3:30	Lewis & Clark @ Wilson
Wednesday	12/5/18	3:45	Wilson @ Washington
		3:30	Franklin @ Lewis & Clark
Wednesday	12/12/18	3:30	Lewis & Clark @ Washington
		3:30	Wilson @ Franklin
Wednesday	12/19/18	3:30	Franklin @ Lewis & Clark
		3:30	Washington @ Wilson
Friday	1/11/19	3:45	All City Championships @
			Eisenhower H.S.
			(Tentative)

FRANKLIN GIRLS' BASKETBALL 2018-2019

Rainier Basketball				Adams Basketball				
Date	Time	Teams	Gym	Time	Teams	Gym		Gym
Practice Games								
Nov. 14	4:45	LC @ WA	Main	3:30	LC1 @ WA1	Main	WIL1 @ FR1	Main
Wed.	4:45	WIL @ FR	Main	3:30	LC2 @ WA2	Aux	WIL3 @ FR3	Aux.
				4:45	LC3 @ WA3	Aux.	WIL2 @ FR2	Aux.
Nov. 15	4:45	WA @ FR	Main	3:30	WA1 @ FR1	Main	WIL1 @ LC1	Main
Thurs.	4:45	WIL @ LC	Main	3:30	WA2 @ FR2	Aux.	WIL2 @ LC2	Aux.
				4:45	WA3 @ FR3	Aux.	WIL3 @ LC3	Aux.
Nov. 28	4:45	FR @ LC	Main	3:30	FR1 @ LC1	Main	WIL2 @ WA2	Main
Wed.	4:45	WIL @ WA	Main	3:30	FR2 @ LC2	Aux.	WIL3 @ WA3	Aux.
				4:45	FR3 @ LC3	Aux.	WIL1 @ WA1	Aux.
Nov. 29	4:45	WA @ LC	Main	3:30	WA1 @ LC2	Main	FR2 @ WIL3	Main
Thurs.	4:45	FR @ WIL	Main	3:30	WA2 @ LC3	Aux.	FR1 @ WIL2	Aux.
				4:45	WA3 @ LC1	Aux.	FR3 @ WIL1	Aux.
Dec. 5	4:45	WA @ FR	Main	3:30	WA2 @ FR1	Main	LC1 @ WIL3	Main
Wed.	4:45	LC @ WIL	Main	3:30	WA1 @ FR3	Aux.	LC2 @ WIL1	Aux.
				4:45	WA3 @ FR2	Aux.	LC3 @ WIL2	Aux.
Dec. 6	4:45	LC @ FR	Main	3:30	FR2 @ LC1	Main	WA1 @ WIL2	Main
Thurs.	4:45	WA @ WIL	Main	3:30	FR1 @ LC3	Aux.	WA2 @ WIL3	Aux.
				4:45	FR3 @ LC2	Aux.	WA3 @ WIL1	Aux.
Dec. 12	4:45	WA @ LC	Main	3:30	WA2 @ LC1	Main	FR1 @ WIL3	Main
Wed.	4:45	FR @ WIL	Main	3:30	WA1 @ LC3	Aux.	FR3 @ WIL2	Aux.
				4:45	WA3 @ LC2	Aux.	FR2 @ WIL1	Aux.
Dec. 13	4:45	FR @ WA	Main	3:30	FR2 @ WA1	Main	WIL2 @ LC1	Main
Thurs.	4:45	WIL @ LC	Main	3:30	FR3 @ WA2	Aux.	WIL3 @ LC2	Aux.
				4:45	FR1 @ WA3	Aux.	WIL1 @ LC3	Aux.
Dec. 19	4:45	WIL @ WA	Main	3:30	WIL1 @ WA2	Main	LC1 @ FR3	Main
Wed.	4:45	LC @ FR	Main	3:30	WIL2 @ WA3	Aux.	LC2 @ FR1	Aux.
				4:45	WIL3 @ WA1	Aux.	LC3 @ FR2	Aux.
Semi Finals				3:30	LC1 @ FR1	Main	WIL2 @ WA2	Main
Jan. 9	4:45	G1: #4 @ #1	Main	3:30	LC2 @ FR2	Aux.	WIL1 @ WA1	Aux.
Wed.	4:45	G2: #3 @ #2	Main	4:45	LC3 @ FR3	Aux.	WIL3 @ WA3	Aux.
Championships				Adams games will be played at site #1 and site #2				
Jan. 10	3:30	LG1 @ LG2	Main					
Thurs.	4:45	WG2 @ WG1	Main					

Upcoming Events!

6th GRADE CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA CONCERT - DECEMBER 11TH 6:30PM

Join us in an enjoyable evening of music as the 6th grade choir and orchestra showcase their holiday music.

7th & 8th GRADE BAND, CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA CONCERT - DECEMBER 13TH 6:30PM

Join us in an enjoyable evening of music as the 7th & 8th grade band, choir and, orchestra showcase their holiday music.

PTSA MONTHLY MEETING- DECEMBER 13TH 2:45PM

Please join our PTSA for our monthly meeting in the Franklin Middle School Library.

SPIRIT WEEK- DECEMBER 17-19 DURING SCHOOL

Students we encourage you to take part in our holiday themed Spirit Week. Monday is flannel Day, Tuesday is Retro Day, and Wednesday is Holiday PJ Day.

HOLIDAY BREAK- DECEMBER 20 - JANUARY 6

The holiday break for students will begin on Thursday December 20th. Students will return to school on January 7th.

8th GRADE HIGH SCHOOL OF CHOICE FORMS- JANUARY 7

8th grade students will receive their High School of Choice Form, parents please anticipate seeing this form.

8th GRADE HIGH SCHOOL OF CHOICE FORM DUE- JANUARY 11

8th grade parents please make sure that this form is signed and returned.

END OF 1ST SEMESTER- JANUARY 25

The academic term will end on this date.

