

# Freeman Middle Scoop – 11-14-25

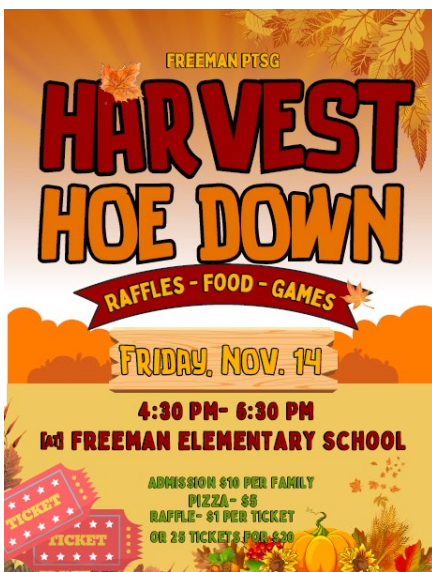
FMS Office Hours are 7:45 am to 3:45 pm. Doors are open to students at 8 am.

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Freeman Families-

We can't wait to see you TONIGHT at the Harvest HoeDown! Join the PTSG, and the community, for games, food and amazing raffle prizes. There are 2 brand new game rooms this year, more than 50 cakes for the cake walk and incredible raffle baskets! Many baskets have over a \$200 value including gift cards like Starbucks, Amazon, Hops and Drops, Swell Coffee and a Flying Squirrel Birthday Party Package worth \$350!

Doors open at 4:30 in the K-8 MPR. Suggested donation- \$10 per family, but no one will be turned away. Hot Dogs and Pizza are available for purchase. Raffle tickets are \$1 per ticket or 25 tickets for \$20. Raffle winners will be drawn at 6 PM.



**FOOD DRIVE-** to support families in our community

The grade with the most food bought in will have input into their reward, i.e. extra recess; ice cream; popsicles etc., Reward will be for the winning grade and their advisory teachers during an Advisory class.

**Students will drop off their food in the following classrooms:**

6th Grade - Ms. Mega    7th Grade - Mr. Mahre    8th Grade - Mr. Garner

**Thanksgiving Items requested:** Turkey (frozen), Potatoes, Stuffing Mix, Dinner rolls, Green Beans, Corn, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Fried Onions, Cranberry Sauce, Jello, Gravy Mix.

**Fill the Gap Items:** Canned Chicken, Cup-O-Noodles, Chili, Beef Stew, Soups, Mac and Cheese. Pepperoni Sticks, Personal Size or Large Cereal Boxes, Instant Oatmeal, Snack Pack Crackers, Fruit or Apple Sauce Cups, Variety Pack Snack or Lunch Items, Peanut Butter Crackers.

A huge thank you and great job to everyone for Mondays' Veterans Day Assembly. The program was outstanding, and our student performances shined — especially our Choir and 8th-grade singers! We are incredibly proud of how well our middle school students represented Freeman with respectful and thoughtful audience behavior. You made our guests and veterans feel honored.



## Scottie Weekly Recap & Preview

### Veterans Day

- Thank you to the students and staff for an outstanding Veterans Day Assembly.
- No school on Tuesday, November 11.

### PTSG Harvest Hoedown – Friday, Nov. 14 (4:30–6:30 PM)

- Family event with food, games, and raffle baskets (over \$200 value in many).
- Suggested \$10 donation per family: raffle tickets \$1 each or 25 for \$20.
- Volunteers needed—students may volunteer with a parent.

### Food Drive – Nov. 17–21

- Winning grade selects a reward (extra recess, ice cream, etc.).
- Collection rooms: 6th – Mega, 7th – Mahre, 8th – Garner.

### Weekly Events (Nov. 17–21)

- Nov. 19: Drill, ASB Officers at FHS, Math Is Cool, School Board Meeting
- Nov. 20: Volleyball vs. East Valley; Wrestling @ Liberty
- Nov. 21: Scottie Time, WSU Peer-to-Peer, Taco 'Bout It

## Sports Highlights

### Wrestling

- Strong performances vs. Centennial:
  - Eli – tech fall (17–2)
  - Orryn – pin
  - Darren – pin
  - Marquon – pin
  - Evan – tech fall (16–0)
- Next meet: Tuesday vs. Cheney; Thursday @ Liberty (early release 2:15).

### Volleyball

- 8th Grade Red: Showed strong volleys despite a tough loss to Cheney.
- 8th Grade JV: Competitive 5-set match with standout plays from Makai, Randi, and Summer.
- 7th Grade JV: Dominated Cheney 5–0; impressive serving streaks by Taylor (20), Jameson (17), Emi (11), Ailey (9).
- Combo Team: Swept Cheney in 3 sets with consistent serving and smart net play.
- Next home match: Monday vs. Westwood (8th grade early release at 2:15).
- Thursday vs. East Valley (7th grade early release at 2:20).

Volleyball and Wrestling - Click [Freeman Middle School Athletics](https://freeman-wa.finalforms.com/) for the finalized sports schedules.

FINAL FORMS ATHLETE REGISTRATION: <https://freeman-wa.finalforms.com/>

**REMINDER:** If your student is planning to stay and watch any of the MS home games/meets, they will be meeting in the MS Commons at 2:55 for a study hall. They will be released at 3:35 pm to go directly to the game. *If they stay for after school activities, the closed campus policy is still in effect. They will have school discipline if they go to the Freeman Store.*

### Library Volunteer needs:

- Monday 12:10-2:45 Check In /Check Out
- Thursdays 8:15-11:10 Shelving, Processing New Books & Book Repair
- Fridays 9:15-11:10 Shelving, Processing New Books & Book Repair

**SAVE THE DATE:** December 6<sup>th</sup> Barnes & Noble Book Fair at the Spokane Valley Mall. Families will need to let the checkout counter know they are from Freeman in order for the library to earn book credits. It will be a great opportunity for families to stock up on books for the winter holidays. There will also be an opportunity to purchase and donate books from the library wish list.



### What Makes You, You?

Middle school is a time of figuring out who you are, separate from your family and friends. It's about discovering your own interests, values, and beliefs. Embrace what makes you unique—it's what makes you interesting.

Try This: Encourage your child to try a new hobby or activity that they've never done before, whether it's an art class, a new sport, or joining a school club. Contact School Counselor

Kayleen Archibald – [karchibald@freemansd.org](mailto:karchibald@freemansd.org)



## Winter Weather Information

According to several forecasts, this winter may bring more snow than we've seen in recent years. We want to be sure all Freeman families are prepared in advance for possible schedule changes due to inclement weather.

### Communication

If the weather impacts the school day, we will share updates by 6:00 a.m. through:

- Automated emails, texts, and voice messages—please ensure your contact information in Skyward is accurate and Freeman SD is not blocked.
- The Freeman School District website and our Facebook & Instagram pages.
- Local news stations (note: their reports may not always be accurate — please rely on Freeman messaging first).

### Weather Monitoring

When snow or ice is in the forecast, our Transportation Director and staff drive routes early in the morning to check conditions. Maintenance crews begin plowing and clearing parking lots and sidewalks before staff and students arrive. Even with these efforts, icy spots may remain—please use extra caution!

The elementary and middle school students go out to recess unless the temperature is below 12 degrees (wind chill is factored into this decision). We rely on the Apple Weather App to make this determination. Please ensure your students are dressed for the weather.

## Delays and Cancellations

Our goal is always to keep schools open when possible.

- Two-Hour Delay: School begins at 10:15 a.m. Breakfast will not be served. Staff should report when they can do so safely.
- Cancellation: All school programs, activities, events and facility usage are canceled for the entire day and evening, even if conditions later improve. The day will be made up on the next scheduled make-up day.

## Safety Tip: Walk Like a Penguin!

- Wear shoes with slip-resistant soles.
- Take short steps and keep your arms slightly out for balance.
- Hold onto your vehicle when getting in or out.

*Thank you for your continued cooperation in helping keep our Freeman students, staff, and families safe this winter!*

## CALENDAR/SAVE THE DATES:

*November 14 – PTSG Harvest Hoedown*

*November 19 - FSD School Board Meeting – PRTC @ 6 pm*

*November 24-28 – NO School – Thanksgiving Break*

*December 2 – WSU 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Engagement (Specific Students)*

*December 3 – Late Start for Students*

*December 3 - PTSG Meeting – FES Community Classroom @ 5:30 pm*

*December 10 - FSD School Board Meeting – PRTC @ 6 pm*

*December 12 – PTSG Holiday Craft Night*

*December 15 – Band/Choir Concert – FHS Blue Gym @ 7pm*

*December 22 – January 2 – No School - Winter Break*

*January 5 – No School for Students – Professional Development Day for Teachers*

## Community Food Resources and Information for the Freeman Community

The Freeman School District recognizes the challenges that many may face during the current government shutdown, and the upcoming holiday season. The Freeman School District has compiled resources below that families might find helpful during this time. Please know that Free/Reduced Price Meal Applications can be filled out at any time during the year. Applications can be downloaded from this link:

<https://www.schoolnutritionandfitness.com/index.php?sid=1484349669652&page=lunchapps>, or filled out through Skyward Family Access

## COMMUNITY FOOD RESOURCES

- Second Harvest: <https://2-harvest.org/>



- WA 211: <https://wa211.org/>
- Hunger Free Washington: <https://www.hungerfreewa.org/>

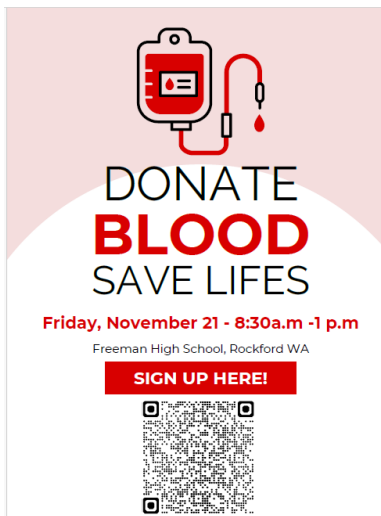


- Second Harvest Bite 2 Go: <https://2-harvest.org/bite2go/>
- Hunger Free America Hunger Hotline: 1-866-3-HUNGRY or (Spanish) 1-877-8-HAMBRE
- Healthy Choices on a Budget: <https://files.constantcontact.com/e5582ed6201/b32c60d7-43bd-432e-af16-4751dc406922.pdf>
- Budget Smart Sample Menu: <https://files.constantcontact.com/e5582ed6201/228bed4a-d5d1-4ca7-b4ab-c6d17a1bf441.pdf>



Each year, InvestED provides urgent funds to students from your community. When a teacher, counselor, coach – or any staff – see a student who has a need, they are able to tap into InvestED funding to provide an immediate and discreet solution. A warm coat, testing fees, track shoes, band uniforms, ASB cards, art supplies, hygiene kits, tutors, or medical exams for participation in athletic programs...the list is long. No matter what the need, our funds make a BIG IMPACT, at LITTLE COST, with NO FUSS. Support your school's campaign today! Click <https://invested.org/campaigns/freeman-middle-school> to donate.

## Freeman High School Blood Drive – Friday Nov 21<sup>st</sup>



**REQUIREMENTS**

- Be at least 16 years old. If 16 or 17 years old, a signed parent/ guardian consent form is required each time you donate
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- Male Donors: At least 5'0" tall and weigh at least 110 lb
- Female donors: refer to the chart for eligibility. (greater than or equal to)
- Be in good general health
- Have a photo ID.

FEMALE HEIGHT	FEMALE REQUIRED WEIGHT
≥ 4'10"	≥ 146
≥ 4'11"	≥ 142
≥ 5'	≥ 138
≥ 5'1"	≥ 133
≥ 5'2"	≥ 129
≥ 5'3"	≥ 124
≥ 5'4"	≥ 120
≥ 5'5"	≥ 115

## **Important Fliers and links**

[Office Reminders: Attendance; Bus Rider Changes](#)

[FMS 25-26 Bell Schedule](#)

[FMS 25-26 Parent/Student Handbook](#)

[Breakfast and Lunch Menus](#)

[Shop your Scotties Sideline Store](#)

[SMS Text Opt-In](#)

[Qustodio parental App](#)

[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

[Freeman Elementary Scottie Scoop](#)

[Freeman High School Friday Flyer](#)

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