## FREEMAN MIDDLE SCOOP - 3-14-25

FMS Office Hours are 7:45 am to 3:45 pm. Doors are open to students at 7:50 am.

Email: FMSOffice@freemansd.org Office phone (509)291-7301 Attendance line (509)291-7425

We are excited to introduce a new and convenient way to contact the Freeman Middle School front office. Starting today, you can email us directly at <a href="mailto:FMSOffice@freemansd.org">FMSOffice@freemansd.org</a> for a variety of office-related requests:

- Excusing Absences: If your student will be missing school, is out sick, or will be arriving late, you can now email us to excuse their absence.
- Appointments or Early Releases: If your student needs to be released for an appointment or picked up at a later time, simply email us to let us know. (If it's less than an hour from the time you plan to pick up your student, please give us a call to ensure we can assist you quickly and avoid any delays.)
- **General Office Inquiries**: You can also use this email for questions about bus notes, fines, scheduling, and other general office-related inquiries.

Please save this updated contact for Freeman Middle School

The inbox will be checked regularly, so feel free to reach out! However, if your matter is urgent or requires an immediate response, please continue to contact us directly by phone at 509-291-3701. We hope this new way of contacting us makes things easier for you. As always, please reach out with any questions!

### **Spring Student-Led Conferences**

Student Led Conferences will be April  $3^{rd}$  (8am – 7 pm) and April  $4^{th}$  (8am – Noon). All students are currently working on their presentations and  $8^{th}$  grade students will also be requesting their HS classes/electives. The conference scheduler will open on Monday March  $10^{th}$  at 8 am.

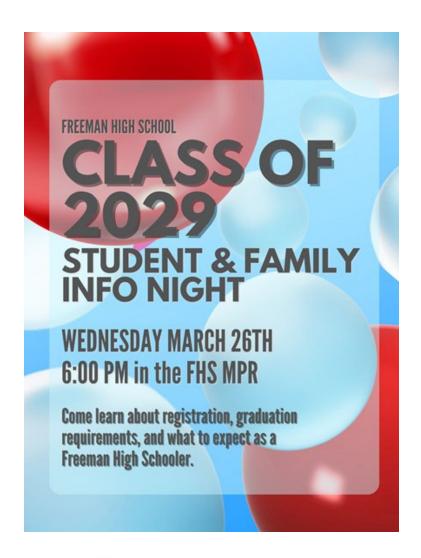
If you are unable to attend on the conference days (April; 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>), or if you are unable to sign into Family Access, contact the FMS office. We can assist you in accessing Skyward and/or schedule your conference outside these two days. Your student's conference is graded through their ELA class based on preparation and communication skills.



### **Using Social Media Wisely**

Many pre-teens use social media, but they need guidance to use it safely. Talk to them about what is okay to post and what should stay private. Remind them that not everything online is real.

**Try This:** Set screen time limits and check in on what your child is viewing. Encourage them to talk to you if they see something upsetting.





**Girls Basketball** 

3/18/25 – Red Team - FMS vs Cheney – 3:45 pm Blue Team - FMS @ Cheney – 3:45 pm

3/20/25 – Red Team - FMS @ East Valley – 3:45 pm Blue Team – FMS vs East Valley – 3:45 pm

We have an Activity Bus that runs after sports M-F for the first two weeks of Middle School Sports Seasons and then M-Th the rest of the year. Bus departs at 5:25pm. Questions or more details, call the Transportation Department at 291-5555.

**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. Students are expected to ride the activity bus home or notify parents to be picked up once the game/competition is over.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### **Every Friday**

- Scottie Success Café @ 7:50 am to 8:12 am. (Student organization of binders, lockers etc.,)
- **AM Activity Schedule**

0	Period 1	0	8:15 - 8:57
0	Period 2	0	9:01 - 9:43
0	Scottie Break	0	9:43 - 9:51
0	Period 3	0	9:55 - 10:37
0	Period 4	0	10:41 - 11:23
0	Period 5	0	11:27 - 12:09
0	Activity – Student Led Conference Work Time	0	12:13 - 12:43
0	Lunch	0	12:43 - 1:13
0	Period 6	0	1:17 - 1:59
0	Period 7	0	2:03 - 2:45

Mar 15 - Freeman Athletics Dinner & Auction Fundraiser

Mar 17 - WSU - 8th Grade Fieldtrip to Riverpointe Campus

Mar 21 - WSU - 7th Grade Session

Mar 24 - FSD Board Meeting @ 6 pm - PRTC

Mar 26 - Class of 2029 Rising Freshman Family Info Night - FHS MPR @ 6pm

April 3 – Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00 am – 7:00 pm (no school for students)

April 4 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00 am - 12:00 pm (no school for students)

April 7-11 – Spring Break (no school)



Sign up for Spring 2025 ~ Grades 2-8

AFTER SCHOOL ~ Thursday 3:00 to 4:00 PM 7 Weeks ~ Apr 17, 24 May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29



Professional chess coach Dennis Pirello provides 15 minutes of lectures, exercises, or videos, then directs tournament play. Students compete in chess club tournament for awards. The chess club also competes in regional tournaments held on Saturdays. Qualifying students are encouraged to attend the WA State Elementary Chess Championship, April 26, 2025, Tacoma, WA.

See schedule: www.inlandchess.org

#### Chess registration of \$70 includes: Registration form below

Tuition provides: A. coaching fees, B. coaching supplies, C. end of semester awards, D. insurance, coach development, and administration costs. Note: Inland Chess Academy does not contact children directly by phone, text, or email.

### Registration for Freeman School Chess Club ~ Spring 2025

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Student's name: _		_ Grade	New to Ches	ss Club?				
2nd Student's name: _		_ Grade	New to Che	ss Club?				
Chess Skill: Begin	nner Intermediate Advanced	Played in to	urnament?	Yes _No				
ALLERCIES and/or SPECIAL ISSUES:  MPORTANTA is required by school and insurance policy, parents are required to pick up students on time and must sign the check-out registry. Coaches have other teaching obligations and must not be delayed. Non-parental pick-up must be confirmed in writing. Alternate arrangements: "Will out to parking lot. Parent's signature:								
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(or Guardian)	Phone:	eMa	il:					
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\$15 OPTIONAL to \$18 OPTIONAL A	ition for 7 weeks. Installment payment ournament style chess set for study and Annual subscription to www.chesskid.c Annual subscription to Chess Magnet S	I play at home om a child sat	fe study and pl	lay website.				
Pay total: \$ Make check payable to Inland Chess Academy. Leave check and registration form at school office,								

Inland Chess Academy ~ 920 N. Argonne Rd., Suite 120, Spokane Valley, WA 99212 509-822-9800 ches@filinlandches.org www.lnlandChes.org facebook.com/inlandche

# REMINDER: If you are not receiving text messages about the activities and information from the Freeman School District – you do have to OPT-IN.

SMS Text Opt-In

## SchoolMessenger\*

### **Parents and Guardians**

## You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more \*

You can participate in this free service\* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number, 67587.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".

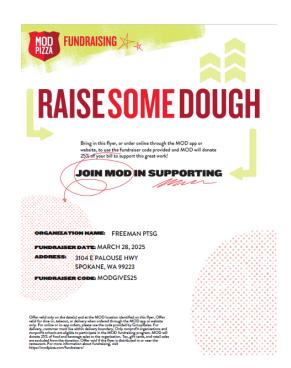
SchoolMessenger is compliant with the <u>Student Privacy</u> <u>Pledge™</u> so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.



Opt-In from your mobile now!



Just send "Y" or "Yes" to 67587.







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• Stop by our Cookie Sales Booth in front

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