FREEMAN MIDDLE SCOOP - 3-21-25

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

Parent CEE Survey

We are partnering with the Center for Educational Effectiveness (CEE) to administer the 2024-2025 Educational Effectiveness Survey (EES). Parents are asked to complete this survey to help us better understand the educational effectiveness of the Freeman School District. The parent survey link is below. This survey will take less than ten minutes to complete and you can complete it at any time between now and April 9, 2025. You will be asked questions regarding the educational effectiveness of the Freeman School District. We will use this information to assess our areas of strength and opportunities for growth. Thank You!

Sincerely,

The Freeman Leadership Team

Click here for the FSD CEE Survey

Important Change to Morning Entry Time After Spring Break

We want to inform you of an upcoming change to our morning schedule that will take effect after Spring Break. Beginning on April 14th, all middle school students will remain outside until **8:00 AM** before entering the building.

This adjustment allows our staff to complete their morning meetings without interruption, ensuring they are fully prepared for the school day. We appreciate your support as we implement this change to create a more structured and effective start to the day for both students and teachers.

If your child arrives early, please remind them to dress appropriately for the weather, as they will be outside until the doors open at 8:00 AM.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping us maintain a productive learning environment. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to the middle school office at (509) 291-7301.

Spring Student-Led Conferences – April 3rd and 4th. No School for Students.

Students have been working hard over the last four Friday Advisory periods to prepare their presentations for Student-Led Conferences. These conferences give students the opportunity to reflect on their progress, set goals, and take ownership of their learning. We hope you are excited to see their efforts and encourage you to ask thoughtful questions to help guide their reflections. Your support and engagement play a key role in holding students accountable and making this experience meaningful!

If you have not yet scheduled your conference, contact the FMS office. We can assist you in accessing Skyward and/or schedule your conference. Your student's conference is graded through their ELA class based on preparation and communication skills.

- While you are here for conferences remember to check:
 - Lost and found in the K-8MPR
 - Your Student's Locker (7th and 8th grade PE locker as well) for items that can be thrown away or taken home.

PTSG Conference Meal Sign-Up. It's that time of year if you would like to help with meals. Please sign below:

Breakfast -

https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/70A0E4AA5A728A6FE3-48446674-conference

Dinner -

https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/70A0E4AA5A728A6FE3-48446693-italian

6/7th Leadership taking advantage of a nice day. Community service garbage cleaning up.







Upcoming Events: Something for Everyone by Grade during the School Day:

Hey, middle schoolers! The school year is in full swing, and there are a bunch of exciting events coming up that you won't want to miss. The following events are just around the corner, so don't miss out on the fun! Be sure to listen to morning announcements. Whether you're participating or just having a good time with friends, there's always something exciting happening at school.

8th Grade

- 3/31 Presentation of sexual health and education topics in your student's health class
- 4/1 Presentation of sexual health and education topics in your student's health class
- 4/1 FHS ASB Election Assembly @ 12:30 1:15

7th Grade

- 3/31 Presentation of sexual health and education topics in your student's health class
- 4/1 Presentation of sexual health and education topics in your student's health class
- 4/17 Pre-registration/registration for 8th grade classes during 4th, 5th and 6th periods

6th Grade

- 4/1 College/Career Lesson with School Counselor during 5th and 6th period
- 4/1 Fit for Bloomsday Program starts. It will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:45 4 pm, (Registration Form was handed out to every 6th grade student)

All Grades

- 4/2 Donuts from WILDLYFE 7:50 am downstairs foyer
- 4/2 Outstanding You Store during Scottie Break
- 4/2 Taco 'bout It with Mrs. Rawson during lunch
- 4/16 Outstanding You Store during Scottie Break
- 4/16 Taco 'bout It with Mrs. Rawson during lunch
- 4/17 @ 10:15am FES/FMS ASB Meeting for all Representatives
- 4/18 @ 7:50 am Scottie Success Café
- 4/18 @ 7:50 am Donuts from WILDLYFE
- 4/18 @ 6:30 pm 8 pm FMS Grand Ball sponsored by PTSG

♥ Save the Date! **♥**

Family Night: Explore the WSU Health Science Mentorship Program- This event is open to 6th and 7th graders and their families—all family members are welcome!

Join us for an exciting opportunity to learn about the WSU Health Science Mentorship Program! This inschool program helps FMS students explore careers in the health sciences, building career awareness in a range of medical and healthcare fields.

Date: April 29th

Location: K-8 MPR

① **Time:** 5:30-7:00 pm- Dinner will be served!

This program is a partnership between the Washington State Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine and Freeman Middle School. Don't miss out on this valuable opportunity to support your student's future!

Stay tuned for more details. We look forward to seeing you there!

Building Healthy Routines

Pre-teens need good sleep, healthy food, and exercise to feel their best. Staying up late and eating too much junk food can affect their mood and focus. A balanced routine helps them feel strong and ready for the day.

Try This: Set a regular bedtime and encourage family meals. Lead by example with healthy habits!



Girls Basketball

3/31/25 – Red Team - FMS vs Centennial – 3:45 pm Blue Team – FMS @ Centennial – 3:45 pm

4/2/25 – Red Team - FMS @ Westwood – 3:45 pm Blue Team – FMS vs Westwood – 3:45 pm

First day of practice for Boys Baseball (7th and 8th Grade Only) and Track and Field (7th and 8th Grade Only) is April 14th at 2:45. Parent Meeting April 15th @ 5:15 pm in the K-8 MPR. Picture Day will be April 25th.

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

- If you have not yet created an account for yourself and your student in Final Forms. Parents must create a parent account and then an individual account for each student. There are forms for both parents and students to complete each year.
- Sports physicals are required in order to participate in practice the first day. If you have any questions regarding Final Forms or physicals, please reach out to Mike Allen @ mallen@freemansd.org or Joanne Moyer @ imoyer@freemansd.org.
- Sports Fee/ASB card is \$35 (Once per year at FMS)

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.

Regular Bell Schedule

0	Period 1	0	8:15 - 9:02
0	Period 2	0	9:06 - 9:53
0	Scottie Break	0	9:53 - 10:01
0	Period 3	0	10:04 - 10:51
0	Period 4	0	10:55 - 11:42
0	Period 5	0	11:46 - 12:33
0	Lunch	0	12:33 - 1:03
0	Period 6	0	1:07 - 1:54
0	Period 7	0	1:58 - 2:45

Every Friday

• 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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- April 3 Twelve Week Grade Checks sent home
- 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)







FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT #358 2025 - 2026 School Calendar



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Significant Dates

August 18	Staff Orientation/Open House
August 19	Professional Development
August 20	First Day of School
August 25	First Day of Kindergarten
August 29	No School
September 1	Labor Day Holiday - No School
September 24	Late Start PD
October 23 - 24	Conferences - No School
October 29	Late Start PD
November 11	Veterans' Day Observed - No School
November 24 - 28	Thanksgiving Holiday - No School
December 3	Late Start PD
December 19	End of Semester
December 22 - January 2	Winter Break - No School
January 5	Professional Development - No School
January 19	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School
February 4	Late Start PD
February 16	Presidents' Day Holiday - No School
March 6	Snow Make-up Day - No School
March 9	Professional Development - No School
March 18	Late Start PD
April 2 - 3	Conferences - No School
April 6 - 10	Spring Vacation - No School
April 27	Professional Development - No School
May 6	Late Start PD
May 22	Snow Make-up Day - No School
May 25	Memorial Day Holiday - No School
June 6	High School Graduation
June 9	8th Grade Promotion
June 10	Last Day of School - Early Release

- Shaded Dates No School
- O Indicates Late Start/Professional Development Days
- * Indicates Parent Conference Days No School
- ** Indicates Early Release 12:30 pm
- School Begins & Ends

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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 Pitello provides 15 minutes of lectures, exercises, or videos, then direct tournament play. Sudents compete in chess club tournament for awards. The chess club also compets in regional tournaments held on Saturday. Qualifying utidents 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.

Tution provides: A. cosching fees, B. cosching 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 ____ Grade ____ New to Chess Club? ___ ALLERCIES and/or SPECIAL ISSUES IMPORTANT. As required by school and insurance policy, parents are required to pick up students on time and must sign the check-out registry. Caches have other reaching obligations and must not be delayed. Non-parental pick-up must be confirmed in writing. Alternate arrangements: _Walk out to parking lot. Parent's signature: Phone: eMail: \$70 Chess club tuition for 7 weeks. Installment payments are accepted. Scholarships are available. \$15 OPTIONAL tournament style chess set for study and play at home. \$18 OPTIONAL Annual subscription to town-chessid com a child safe study and play website. \$22 OPTIONAL Annual subscription to Chess Magnet School, a child safe study website.

Pay total: \$ _____ Make check payable to Inland Chess Academy. Leave check and registration form at school office, mail to Inland Chess Academy office, or bring them to first day of Chess Club.

SMS Text Opt-In



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

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.



PTSG is hosting one more Freeman gear sale through Momentum Ink before school gets out, and they have added some limited-edition items



For Freeman Gear click on the QR code

or open the flier here





Freeman School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employee has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Civil Rights, Title IX, and Section 504 Compliance Coordinator: Randy Russell, rrussell@freemansd.org, 509-291-3695, 15001 S Jackson Rd. Rockford, WA 99030