

News from Around the District

Franklin High School's 2014-15 theater and musical productions recently received 25 DayTony awards. DayTonys are presented to recognize outstanding performance, whether on stage or behind the scenes, at Dayton-area theatres. Awards are given for high school, collegiate, and community theater productions.

Schenck students participated in a "Neighborhood Clean-Up Day" in May. Students were surprised to see just how much trash was in their neighborhood. They learned about community service and how littering can impact their environment.



Pennyroyal students learned about a variety of professions at their annual career day. Speakers included a nurse, an American Idol contestant, a turkey caller, a DARE officer, a car salesman, a photographer, a police captain, a lawyer, a cosmetologist, a personal trainer, and a heavy equipment operator.



Gerke students raised \$4,818.98 for heart and diabetes health at their annual Jump for the Heart event. The building exceeded its goal despite inclement weather that cut the fundraising time in half. The building's goal was \$4,500 — \$15 for each of the 300 Gerke students.

Hunter's Spring literacy event and Scholastic Book Fair had an "Under the Sea" theme. Students and parents had a chance to purchase books and to work together on literacy-related activities and concepts such as deciding whether a statement was a fact or an opinion.



Anthony Wayne's third graders visited the historic Log Post Office and Harding Museum on May 19. Volunteers from the Historical Society gave tours and helped students enjoy some hands-on practice with activities that pioneer students would have done, including writing with quill pens.



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Board of Education Meetings | Fall 2015

The first meeting of the month is a work session; the second is a regular meeting. Meetings are at 6 p.m. and are generally in the Board Room at the Hampton Bennett administration building. Meetings may be moved to accommodate larger crowds. Minutes to previous meetings and agendas are available on the district website: www.franklincityschools.com

District Vision: The Franklin City School District will work in partnership with families and the community to educate all individuals to be responsible, lifelong learners who possess the skills, knowledge, creativity, self-worth, and ethical values necessary to thrive in a rapidly changing, culturally diverse, global society.

FJH inducts 47 into NJHS

Franklin Junior High inducted 47 students into its newly formed chapter of the National Junior Honor Society on Thurs., May 14. Students were required to have a 3.3 GPA, to demonstrate leadership, to perform 10 hours of community service, and to complete an essay on "Being a Good Honor Student."

The students inducted were Aaron Blake, Aiden Kinser, Alessandra Clavel-Hernandez, Alex Gentry, Alison Perez, Allisyn Brinkman, Angelica Hauk, Ashley Fisher, Austin Begley, Braden Woods, Braiden Hiphser, Brighton Tinch, Brendan Erwin, Caden Johnson, Charlie Newton, Chloe Miller, Cooper Daniels, Drew Lawson, Elyce Aldridge, Emily Newton, Emma Bicknell, Evan Krasnonski, Jacob Bowermaster, Jaiden Perez, Janice Nuwayo, Jasmine Dushime, Jett Tinch, Jordon Wolfe, Joshua Weeks, Karsen Quillen, Kaylee Harris, Kelsea Madden, Kody Viers, Kylee Fox, Lexi McGregor, Macey Hurley, Madison Powell, Marisa Turnmire, Marissa Milham, Olivia Faulkner, Samantha Earnhart, Shannia Mangroo, Tayler Hadix, Taylor Senters, Tyler Dishun, Zach Bowermaster, and Zach Johnson.

Matt Franklin is the NJHS Committee Chair of the Franklin Junior High Chapter of NJHS.



To families and friends of Franklin City Schools:

We've had a busy summer and are looking forward to the 2015-16 school year. A few of the things on our summer "To-Do" list were extensive work on the Hampton Bennett Early Childhood Center prepping for all-day kindergarten; summer maintenance on our buildings; and repairs to the Junior High.

One of the Board's goals is to communicate with our community more frequently, which is why you're receiving this newsletter. You can expect one four times per year. Watch for the next issue to arrive in your mailbox in November. In the meantime, our website and Facebook page will provide you with up-to-date information.

If you'd like to get involved with our district, there are several ways: Consider attending student performances and athletic events or volunteering in one of our schools. Contact numbers for all of the buildings are in this newsletter.

We appreciate the trust and support of our community and consider you vital partners in educating our children. As always, I value your comments and suggestions. Don't hesitate to contact me at msander@franklincityschools.com or (937) 746-1699.

Sincerely,
Dr. Mike Sander
Superintendent of Schools

Preschool for Franklin children

The Warren County Educational Service Center and Franklin City Schools work together to operate two preschool classrooms located at the Early Childhood Center at Hampton Bennett, 150 E. Sixth St.

Classrooms serve children from ages 3-5. The preschool program has integrated classrooms serving up to eight children identified as special needs and up to eight typically developing peers. Our preschool curriculum follows the Ohio Department of Education Early Learning Content and Development Standards.

Preschool operates Tuesday through Friday and follows the Franklin City Schools district calendar. Morning and afternoon sessions are offered: 9:15-11:45 a.m. and 1:15 to 3:45 p.m.

The cost for typically developing children is a \$70 enrollment fee and \$180 per month.

Please visit the Welcome Center at Hampton Bennett to pick up a registration packet.

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 (937) 743-8630 or 8632

Anthony Wayne Elementary
 (937) 743-8640

Gerke Elementary
 (937) 743-8650

Hunter Elementary
 (937) 743-8655

Pennyroyal Elementary
 (937) 743-8660

Wm. C. Schenck Elementary
 (937) 743-8665

HB Early Childhood Center
 (937) 743-5290

**Welcome Center Central
 Registration Office**
 (937) 743-8602

Senior Citizen Activity Passes

Senior citizens (age 62+) living in the Franklin City School district may pick up a pass in the Superintendent's office that will allow them to attend school-sponsored activities, including sporting events and arts performances, at no charge.

District launches full-day kindergarten

When the district implements full-day kindergarten in August, they'll fulfill a levy promise made to voters who passed an operating levy for the district in May 2014. After a year of preparation, kindergarten will now operate on a full-day schedule. Students' days will run 9:15 to 3:45, with 5 1/2 hours of instruction, plus 30 minutes each for lunch and recess. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

The district is adding three kindergarten classrooms and teachers at the Early Childhood Center, and may add a fourth based on historic enrollments.

According to superintendent Dr. Mike Sander, the impetus behind full-day kindergarten is ensuring students are ready for first grade. "Students are coming to school not ready," he said. "Many don't know colors, letters, numbers. The goal is to get them caught up and on track so they can start first grade prepared for first grade, where they will learn to read, and ultimately pass the third grade reading guarantee."

Sander added that adult interaction is critical to a child's early learning. A number of factors lead to children not having as much adult interaction as they need including TV and parents' work schedules. He noted that often parents are unaware of how much influence they have on their child's learning; many don't realize how important it is for kids to know their colors, letters, numbers, and so on before starting school, and how much children need to develop a good vocabulary through informal interaction.

The full-day schedule, with three more hours of instruction than half-day, will include art, music, phys ed, and computer skills, but the majority of the time will focus on the basics: reading and math. Depending on a child's needs and skills, they may receive remediation or acceleration. Sander noted that it is not mandatory for children to enroll in full-day kindergarten. Parents may apply for half-day kindergarten; students would be in the same classrooms as full-day students and just leave early.

The state encourages but does not mandate that districts offer full-day kindergarten.

Kindergarten parents are encouraged to attend the Meet the Teacher event on August 17, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the ECC.



Student Achievement Award

The district's Student Achievement award honors students who've shown exceptional achievement in academics, community service, or character.

Since 2001, the Board has recognized hundreds of students for high scores on the SAT or ACT; exemplary/heroic service to others; ten consecutive quarters of straight As; Wildcat of the Year; and other high achievements.

All Franklin students are eligible. The Student Achievement Committee reviews nominations regularly.

Those interested in serving as a parent or community representative should contact the Superintendent's office.



April Student Achievement honorees



May Student Achievement honorees

Enrolling your child in school

You may enroll your child in school at the Franklin City Schools Welcome Center Registration Office, 150 E. Sixth St., in the Hampton Bennett Building. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For your convenience, and to minimize waiting time, a parent/guardian must schedule an appointment with the Welcome Center to complete the registration process in person. Contact the Welcome Center via phone at (937) 743-8602 or email at register@franklincityschools.com

In addition to the completed registration packet, the following documents must be provided for enrollment in our district.

- Original birth certificate
- Custody Papers/Court Ordered Placement (if applicable) (Divorce Decree, date stamped and signed by judge/magistrate). Note: If you are in the process of acquiring custody, you must have documentation from the court confirming legal proceedings have been initiated. There is a 60-day legal completion process for the student to continue enrollment at Franklin City Schools.
- Shot/Immunization records
- Parent/Guardian driver's license
- Proof of residency (rental/lease agreement, settlement statement, land/purchase contract, copy of deed, utility receipt, electricity, or water bill). Items listed are the only items that will be accepted.
- IEP/504/MFE (if applicable)
- Transcript from previous school attended (Grades 9-12 only)
- Social Security Card

When all documents have been verified, you will be directed to contact your child's assigned school building to complete the enrollment process for orientation, scheduling, and transportation. You may also be required to complete additional building forms.

We want to make your child's first day a positive experience; therefore, we need time to prepare for him/her to join our classes. Due to scheduling and transportation, students enrolled may start the day after registration requirements have been met.

FHS Fall Sports Schedules

Varsity Football. Games at 7 p.m.

08/28 A vs. Carlisle
 09/04 H vs. Edgewood
 09/11 H vs. Springboro
 09/18 H vs. Eaton
 09/25 A vs. Valley View
 10/02 A vs. Waynesville
 10/09 H vs. Bellbrook
 10/16 A vs. Monroe
 10/23 A vs. Oakwood
 10/30 H vs. Brookville

JV Football. Games at 10 a.m.

08/29 H vs. Carlisle
 09/05 A vs. Edgewood
 09/12 A vs. Springboro
 09/19 A vs. Eaton
 09/26 H vs. Valley View
 10/03 H vs. Waynesville
 10/10 A vs. Bellbrook
 10/17 H vs. Monroe
 10/24 H vs. Oakwood

Boys Soccer. Matches at 7:15 p.m.

08/22 H vs. Madison
 08/27 H vs. Little Miami
 09/01 A vs. Eaton
 09/03 H vs. Valley View
 09/08 A vs. Waynesville
 09/10 A vs. Bellbrook
 09/14 A vs. Edgewood
 09/15 H vs. Monroe
 09/17 H vs. Oakwood
 09/22 A vs. Brookville
 09/29 H vs. Bellbrook
 10/01 A vs. Monroe
 10/06 A vs. Oakwood
 10/08 H vs. Brookville
 10/13 H vs. Eaton
 10/15 A vs. Valley View

Cross Country. Most meets at 4:30 p.m.

08/24 A vs. Monroe
 08/29 A vs. Milton Union, time TBA.
 09/15 A vs. Bishop Fenwick
 09/19 A vs. Eaton, time TBA.
 09/22 Franklin Invitational
 09/26 A vs. Bellbrook, time TBA.
 10/05 A vs. Madison

Golf. Most matches at 4 p.m.

08/06 SWBL Ryder Cup at Beechwood, 8 a.m.
 08/11 Viking Invitational at Pipestone, time TBA
 08/12 A vs. Monroe
 08/13 Brookville Invitational at Moss Creek, 8 a.m.
 08/17 H vs. Carlisle
 08/19 A vs. Madison
 08/25 A vs. Valley View
 08/27 H vs. Bellbrook
 08/31 H vs. Miamisburg
 09/01 A vs. Oakwood
 09/03 H vs. Valley View
 09/08 H vs. Monroe
 09/09 A vs. Dixie
 09/10 H vs. Brookville
 09/14 H vs. Eaton
 09/16 A vs. Carlisle

Golf (continued)

09/17 SWBL at Beechwood, 8 a.m.
 09/19 Warren County Tournament at Heatherwoode, 1 p.m.
 09/22 A vs. West Carrollton
 09/29 A vs. Miamisburg
 10/07 Sectionals, time TBA

Girls Soccer. Matches at 7:15 p.m.

08/24 H vs. Chaminade-Julienne
 08/27 A vs. Little Miami
 09/01 H vs. Eaton
 09/03 A vs. Valley View
 09/08 H vs. Waynesville
 09/10 H vs. Bellbrook
 09/15 A vs. Monroe
 09/17 A vs. Oakwood
 09/22 H vs. Brookville
 09/24 H vs. Edgewood
 09/29 A vs. Bellbrook
 10/01 H vs. Monroe
 10/06 H vs. Oakwood
 10/08 A vs. Brookville
 10/13 A vs. Eaton
 10/15 H vs. Valley View

Girls Volleyball. Most games at 6:15 p.m.

08/22 Tri Meet at Waynesville, 10 a.m.
 08/24 A vs. Stebbins, 6:45 p.m.
 08/27 A vs. Troy Christian
 08/31 A vs. West Carrollton
 09/01 H vs. Eaton
 09/03 A vs. Valley View
 09/10 H vs. Bellbrook
 09/14 A vs. Middletown
 09/15 A vs. Monroe, 6:30 p.m.
 09/17 A vs. Oakwood
 09/21 A vs. Madison
 09/22 H vs. Brookville
 09/28 A vs. Carlisle
 09/29 A vs. Bellbrook
 10/01 H vs. Monroe
 10/05 H vs. Dunbar
 10/06 H vs. Oakwood
 10/08 A vs. Brookville
 10/12 A vs. Middletown
 10/13 A vs. Eaton
 10/15 H vs. Valley View

Girls Tennis. Most matches at 4 p.m.

08/11 A vs. Madison
 08/12 H vs. Carlisle
 08/13 A vs. Waynesville
 08/18 A vs. Eaton
 08/20 H vs. Valley View
 08/25 H vs. Edgewood
 08/26 H vs. Northridge
 08/27 A vs. Bellbrook
 09/01 H vs. Monroe
 09/02 H vs. Dixie
 09/03 H vs. Oakwood
 09/08 H vs. Stivers
 09/09 H vs. Greeneview
 09/10 A vs. Brookville
 09/14 A vs. Preble Shawnee
 09/15 A vs. Carlisle
 09/16 A vs. Milton Union
 09/17 H vs. Meadowdale, 4:30 p.m.
 09/23 SWBL at Thomas Cloud Park, 8 a.m.