

Join us for the Freeman School District Open House

Monday, August 28th

3:00 pm to 3:30 pm: TK and Kindergarten Orientation in Freeman Elementary School Gym

- 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm
- Meet your teacher
- See your bus
- Learn about clubs/activities
- Eat some ice cream

Important Dates

Thursday, August 24th: Freeman SD Board Meeting (K-8 MPR at 8:00 am) **Wednesday, August 30th:** First day of school for grades 1st through 5th

Monday, September 4th: Labor Day (NO SCHOOL)

Tuesday, September 5th: First day of TK and Kindergarten

September 11th - 15th: Scotties Be Nice Week

Wednesday, September 27th: Late Start for Students (10:15 am)

Friday, September 29th: Scottie Dash

Immunizations

All students must have all their immunizations up to date or an exemption form on file before they can attend school. Families will have 5 days to either have their shots or a proof of appointment to receive the students' shots.

School Credit/Debit Card Payments

Freeman School District implemented an upgraded digital payment service that went into effect on August 2nd, 2023. Please note that when paying by credit/debit card, a processing fee will be applied to the total. Cash and checks will still be accepted without a fee. With the rising costs of processing fees, the annual amount the district has been paying to cover these fees is becoming significant, and we do not believe is the best use of our public dollars.

- When paying <u>online</u>, each transaction will incur a 3% processing fee. (student fees, meal account payments, etc.)
- When paying <u>in person</u> by card, each transaction will incur a flat \$0.50 processing fee. *This includes Dawg House purchases*
- Please note that our new system no longer allows us to manually enter credit card numbers and take payments over the phone because of increased security with credit card processing.

Athletic Event Ticketing at Freeman High School

- We will use GoFan for digital ticketing for athletic events at Freeman High School. Fans can purchase tickets online through the Freeman High School GoFan page or by presenting a card or mobile payment option at the ticket gate (also through GoFan). All major credit cards are accepted, along with Apple Pay and Google Pay. The associated fees with GoFan tickets will be \$1 + 3% per ticket.
- You can still use cash or check at the gate in person with no fee, but GoFan will be the only option for athletic event card payments moving forward.
- All season passes and playoff games/tournaments will only be available to purchase through GoFan. Please visit https://gofan.co/app/school/WA23764 to purchase tickets and passes.

The new ticketing policy is something that our league is moving towards as a whole for consistency and to operate a more efficient and professional ticket gate while elevating the fan experience. Buying tickets online allows fans to access and share tickets easily by email or text and will cut down on ticket line time significantly when purchased ahead.

We encourage you to buy tickets online prior to reaching the facility. For your convenience, signage will be set up at the venue to help fans navigate an online purchase quickly and easily.

Skyward-Family Access Training

Need help navigating through Skyward, Family Access, Google Classroom? These programs are integral to our students and families. Please come and learn how to use these programs for yourself and to help your students on September 12th. (see attached flyer)

Freeman Elementary School Supply Lists

https://www.freemansd.org/Page/620

Scottie Gear

Show some spirit and purchase some great Scottie Gear through Game One!

https://shop.game-one.com/washington/rockford/freeman-school-district-p-12/freeman-all-school-spirit-wear

Join the Robotics Club! For ages 9-15. If interested please e-mail FreemanRobotics@gmail.com (see attached flyer)

Scottie Dash

Each year we organize an annual fundraising event called the "Scottie Dash." This event is not only a fun-filled day for our school community, but also a significant source of financial support for the ASB (Associated Student Body) and PTSG (Parent, Teacher, Student Group). If you would like to Sponsor or Volunteer, please contact the FES office. The K-8 Scottie dash will be on September 29th 11:45 am – 2:30 pm.

We would like to thank following businesses for their sponsorship:



Farmland Company
Broadway Heights Dental
Ptera

Nutrition Services

Meal Prices	Breakfast	Lunch
Elementary	\$2.10	\$3.15
Middle	\$2.20	\$3.35
High	\$N/A	\$3.50
Adult	\$3.20	\$4.95

Join the Freeman Team

Freeman Middle School has several Coaching positions open. If you are interested in coaching a middle school sport – contact Mr. Allen or Mr. Straw. The season is about 7 weeks long, usually done by 6 pm. No practices/games on Fridays after the 1st two weeks.

A Note from the Freemen Elementary Secretaries

Brianne Wineinger has joined our team this year as one of the Freeman Elementary Secretaries. We want to thank you for your patience and understanding as we start the school year. We are working hard to get all students enrolled and all paperwork up to date so your kids can start the year off with us. We look forward to meeting you! Please feel free to come in and introduce yourselves. Brianne, Dani and Shayla





FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT #358 2023 - 2024 School Calendar



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21	22	23	24	25	September 4 Labor Day Holiday - No School	19	20		
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23	24	(25)	26	27	January 26 End of Semester/2nd Quarter	22	23	T	
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SKYWARD?

YOUR STUDEN

Keep track of your student's grades in real time



12 SEPT 2023

HOW TO USE SKYWARD AND GOOGLE CLASSROOM TO HELP YOUR STUDENT SUCCEED IN 4-8TH GRADE

- Meet FMS and FES Administrators and School Counselors
- Learn about Google Classroom and Skyward Family Access
 - Have your parent account set up on site!

When and Where

TUESDAY, SEPT. 12, 2023 AT 6 PM

K-8 Multipurpose Room

MASTER PIECE.



*:Freeman Robotics

Who should join?





Students who are:

- ages 9-15
- in grades 4th-8th
- · enjoy problem solving
- would like to learn more about robots & programming

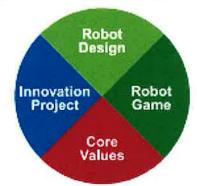
FIRST CORE VALUES

We express the FIRST philosophies of Gracious Professionalism® and Coopertition® through FIRST Core Values:

- Discovery: We explore new skills and ideas paragraph text
- Innovation: We use creativity and persistence to solve problems.
- Impact: We apply what we learn to improve our world.
- Inclusion: We respect each other and embrace our differences.
- Teamwork: We are stronger when we work together.
- Fun: We enjoy and celebrate what we do!

THREE ESSENTIAL PARTS

Each yearly Challenge has three parts: the Robot Game and the Innovation Project – incorporating the Engineering Design Process – and Core Values.





Contact info:

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87% Express Interest in Doing Well in School



95% Time Management Skills Increase



99% Teamwork Skills Increase