

Freeman Middle Scoop – 10-3-25

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

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



Conferences:

October 23 (8 am – 7 pm); October 24 (8am – Noon) The Fall conference scheduler will open Monday, 10/7 @ 8 am. Freeman Middle school Fall Conferences are by Grade Level Team. Students that are conferenced with will be **Students New to Freeman; Parent Requests and Teacher Requests**. Reach out to the Middle School office at FMSoffice@freemansd.org or call Joanne Moyer at 509-291-7301 to schedule a conference.

Thank You for Supporting the 2025 Scottie Dash!

The Scottie Dash is a combined effort of the Freeman K-8 ASB and the PTSG, and we are proud to share that 100% of the money raised goes directly back to Freeman students and activities. Due to early donations and your generous support, students are already enjoying the new GaGa Pit—purchased early so it could be ready for play this fall.

After expenses are covered, each class (TK–8) receives 1% of the total fundraising to their class account, which follows students/class through their years at FES, FMS, FHS and ultimately their Senior Trip. The remaining funds are divided with 25% going to the PTSG and 75% to the K-8 ASB, ensuring student leadership groups can continue organizing meaningful events and activities for all Scotties.

The Scottie Dash not only raises vital funds but also builds community spirit, encouraging teamwork, school pride, and student leadership. The excitement on race day was matched by the overwhelming generosity of our families, staff, and neighbors, making this event one of the highlights of the year.

A heartfelt thank you to our business sponsors for their incredible support:

Albrecht Law, Broadway Heights Dental, Bulldog Baseball Camps, Dave's Hot Chicken, Dragon Fly Works, Hawley Family, Hops N Drops, Inland Empire Golf Academy, iSmile Orthodontics, Lakeland Immediate Care, L&M Truck Sales, Maids of Movher, Next Level Cladding, The Law Office of Witherspoon, Brajcich & McPhee, Russell Family and Scott Family Orthodontics.

Thank you to every student, family, and community member who participated—your support makes a lasting impact for Freeman students today and in the years to come!

Due to your generosity, we were able to award a wide variety of prizes, including:

- ☐ 3 Dick's Bike Certificates (\$200 each)
- ☐ Apple Ear Buds & Portable Speakers
- ☐ Gift Cards (Target, Amazon, DQ, Swell Coffee)
- ☐ Lego sets (Disney Stitch, Botanicals, Creator)
- ☐ Pizza Parties
- ☐ Scottie Blankets & a Gourmet Gift Basket
- ☐ Squishy Mini Footballs



This Week's Daily Announcements

Here are some of the reminders and highlights your students heard at Freeman Middle School this week: Spirit Week (Oct. 13–17). Students voted on our spirit week themes:

- Monday 10/13 – Pajamas vs. Red Carpet (Red)
- Tuesday 10/14 – Twin/Triplets/Quads, etc. (Orange)
- Wednesday 10/15 – Decade Day (Past or Future) (Green)
- Thursday 10/16 – Softball Moms vs. Baseball Dads (Black Out/White Out)
- Friday 10/17 – Scottie Spirit Day (Blue)

Clubs & Activities

- Let's Lego Club – Meets Tuesdays during lunch in the Counseling Center.
- Robotics – Tuesdays & Thursdays, 2:50–5:15 pm.
- Chess Club – Thursdays, 2:50–4:30 pm.
- “Taco 'Bout It” – Fridays during lunch.

8th Grade Field Trip

- Wednesday, Oct. 1 – *Unlock Your Future* Career Fair at The HUB. Students explored four career strands and returned energized about opportunities ahead.

Academics

- Six-Week Grade Checks were sent home on Thursday, Oct. 2.
- October's Character Trait: *Responsibility* – being accountable, pursuing excellence, and showing self-control.

Looking Ahead

- Monday, Oct. 6 – Cross Country @ Westwood (2:15 dismissal).
- Tuesday, Oct. 7 – WSU Mentor Visit (8th Grade, 9:00–11:00 am), Let's Lego at lunch, Robotics after school.
- Wednesday, Oct. 8 – Cross Country @ East Valley (2:15 dismissal), PTSG Meeting 5:30 pm.
- Thursday, Oct. 9 – 7th Football @ Evergreen (2:15 dismissal), Robotics and Chess Club after school.
- Friday, Oct. 10 – AM Activity Schedule (*Scottie Time – No F's*), Taco 'Bout It at lunch.

Students receive these announcements daily, both in person and by email, to help them stay connected and involved—be sure to ask your student about what's happening at school.

SPORTS:

Click [Freeman Middle School Athletics](#) for the finalized sports schedules.

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.*



Building Resilience

Life doesn't always go our way. A bad grade, a tough tryout, or a disagreement with a friend can feel like the end of the world. But bouncing back from disappointment is a core life skill. It's about not letting a single setback define you.

Try This: Share a time you faced a setback and how you handled it. This model vulnerability and shows them that everyone has tough times, and they can get through them.

Contact School Counselor Kayleen Archibald – karchibald@freemansd.org



FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
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WE ARE LAUNCHING DISTRICT-WIDE SURVEYS
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS (CEE).

Who is participating, and when?

- Students, October 20-29, 2025
- Families, Winter 2026
- Staff, October 17-29, 2025

Why are we doing this?

Your feedback helps us:

- Strengthen our Strategic Plan
- Guide Professional Development for educators
- Shape the supports and resources we provide across the district

How does it work?

Surveys are confidential and take just a few minutes.

Family links will be shared by email and available on the district website.



The Center for Educational Effectiveness



CALENDAR/SAVE THE DATES:

October 22 – FSD School Board Meeting – PRTC @ 6 pm

October 23 – 24 – Conferences – No School

November 10 – FSD Veterans Assembly



**FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
SOLAR PROJECT**

Freeman School District is excited to be working with Partners for Rural Washington and Zero Emissions Northwest who helped us secure a grant through the Washington State University Energy Program for the installation of a 100 kW solar ground mount system with projected installation in January 2026. Freeman has been exploring alternative ways to save energy costs, and this Solar Project is 100% grant funded and comes at no cost to our School District or taxpayers. The solar energy production will allow us to reinvest money back into programs for our students.

HIGHLIGHTS

- The ground mount solar panels will produce 100 kW of power and will be located east of the Transportation Building
- This project is 100% grant funded and comes at NO cost to the Freeman School District or our taxpayers
- This alternative energy source will allow us to reinvest utility costs back into student programs



Do you want some Freeman Scotties Gear?

Scotties Sideline Store: To celebrate, we're offering **20% OFF** all Sideline Store purchases with **code SPIRIT20** for an entire month. [Shop your Scotties Sideline Store](#) to view the gear



Reminder About Medications at School

For the safety of all students, over-the-counter (OTC) medications (such as pain relievers, cold medicine, allergy medication, etc.) **cannot be kept or taken at school** unless the proper forms are completed. Prescription medications, including inhalers and EpiPens, also require a doctor's authorization on file.

If your student needs medication during the school day, please stop by the **Middle School office to pick up the necessary forms**. Once the forms are returned, school staff can safely store and assist with your students' medication needs.

Thank you for helping us keep our students safe and healthy!

Important Fliers and links

[Chess Club Flier](#)

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

[FMS 25-26 Bell Schedule](#)

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

[Breakfast and Lunch Menus](#)

[SMS Text Opt-In](#)

[Qustodio parental App](#)

[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

[Freeman Elementary Scottie Scoop](#)

[Freeman High School Friday Flyer](#)

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