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Freeman Elementary School
Scottie Scoop

September 8, 2023

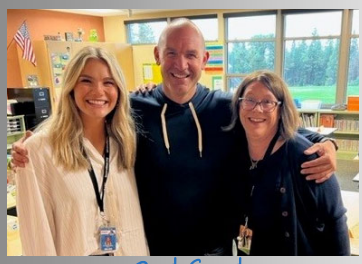
Back to School Pictures!

We hope everyone had a great first day of school! We are happy to have our TK and Kindergarteners with us now! Our staff had fun taking first day of school pictures too!

Transitional Kindergarten Team

Kindergarten

1st Grade



2nd Grade

3rd Grade

4th Grade

5th Grade

Important Dates

September 11-15	**Scotties Be Nice Week**
September 12	**Skyward Family Access Parent Meeting 6:00pm**
September 13	**PTSG Meeting 5:30-6:30**
September 21	**Scottie Dash Collection Day**
September 26	**Scottie Dash Collection Day**
September 29	**Scottie Dash Collection Day**
September 27	**Late Start (10:15am)**
September 27	**FSD School Board meeting, K8 MPR, 6:00 pm**
September 29	**Scottie Dash 11:45am-2:30pm**
October 5	**FES Individual Picture Day**

Update Student Information on Family Access

Every year parents need to log into Family Access and update each students information, whether they are new students or returning. **PLEASE COMPLETE THESE UPDATES BY SEPTEMBER 30th.** It is very important for your students' information to be up-to-date! There is a Skyward (Family Access) Parent Meeting on September 12th! Learn the ins and outs of Skyward!
Thank you for your help!

Designed Instruction

Special Education

Reading Specialist

PE

STEAM (left)

Library

Scotties Be Nice Week

A way to celebrate and learn, that the small things can make a big difference in someone's day. Freeman Elementary School will be focusing on being nice throughout this next week in our classrooms, specialists and other activities. The kids will have a chance to fill out a Be Kind Bingo card, encouraging them to do small acts of kindness for others. Please feel free to continue the conversation at home with your children and ask them how they were NICE to someone each day!

SCOTTIE DASH TIME!

The Scottie Dash will return on Friday, September 29th! This is the only K-8 ASB Fundraiser done in partnership with the Freeman PTSG. The funds raised will support Assemblies, Craft Fairs, Dances, Class Retreats, Robotics and Sports equipment, officials and uniforms.

Next week, students will receive their donation forms and we will kick off the event! It is not too late to contribute as a corporate sponsor. There are various opportunities to support the Scottie Dash:

- Sponsor Individual Students for Participation—students earn incentives
- T-shirt Sponsor - $250 Company/Organization logo on event t-shirt
- Corporate - $500 logo on t-shirt and event documents/advertising
- Flat Donation - anything is appreciated!
- Incentive Donations - Company/Organization coupons, student incentives

(Past prizes have included technology items, bikes, etc.)

There are three donation collection dates. Tables will be set up in the parent pick-up/drop off loop from 7:30 am until the start of school.

- Thursday, September 21st
- Tuesday, September 26th
- Friday, September 29th (morning of the event)

Would you like to volunteer...

at field trips, in the classroom, at PTSG events? Every volunteer (coach, chaperone, PTSG activities, etc.) must have completed and been approved through our Volunteer Application. Please follow this link for the Volunteer Online Application: https://www.freemansd.org/Page/3132

FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT #358
2023 - 2024 School Calendar

August				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
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September				
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October				
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November				
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January				
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Significant Dates

August 28	Staff Orientation/Open House
August 29	Professional Development
August 30	First Day of School
September 4	Labor Day Holiday - **No School**
September 5	First Day of Kindergarten
September 27	Late Start PD
October 9	Professional Development - **No School**
October 25	Late Start PD
November 2 - 3	Conferences - **No School**
November 10	Veterans' Day Observed - **No School**
November 22	Early Release - Thanksgiving Holiday
November 23 - 24	Thanksgiving Holiday - **No School**
November 29	Late Start PD
December 18 - 29	Winter Break - **No School**
January 1	New Year's Day - **No School**
January 12	Professional Development - **No School**
January 15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - **No School**
January 26	End of Semester/2nd Quarter
February 7	Late Start PD
February 19	Presidents' Day Holiday - **No School**
March 1	Snow Make-up Day - **No School**
March 4	Professional Development - **No School**
March 6	Late Start PD
March 28 - 29	Conferences - **No School**
April 1 - 5	Spring Vacation - **No School**
May 1	Late Start PD
May 24	Snow Make-up Day - **No School**
May 27	Memorial Day Holiday - **No School**
June 8	High School Graduation
June 13	8th Grade Promotion
June 14	Last Day of School - Early Release

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

February				
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June				
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July				
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Drop off/Pick up Reminders

Drop off: Please do not drop off before 7:50am. We do not have supervision before then.

Pick up: Please follow the line and continue to drive up the pick up line. Your child cannot get into the vehicle until you are in front of the cone. If you are parent pick up, park in a parking lot (not the valet line) and walk down to get your child.

EARLY Pick up: Please come into the office and sign your child out. We will call them down to the office to meet you. Remember your ID the first few times, so we can make sure you are in our system! Sometimes we have to re-scan it, so it is always better just to have it.

LATE Drop Off: If your child is late to school because of an appointment or otherwise, please escort them into the school and check them into the office.

All of these rules are in place for the students' safety. We appreciate your cooperation!

Communications

The elementary school's primary method of communication for ongoing news and activities is *The Scottie Scoop!,* emailed home most Fridays throughout the school year. (also available on the school's internet page) Individual teachers also send information home in students' "Friday folders." Through these avenues, families should remain informed. Other unplanned communications will utilize School Messenger (emails/ telephone/ texts)

For districtwide instructional dates, breaks, late starts, etc., please see the attached calendar. This calendar is posted on the district home page at www.freemansd.org for future reference.

Easy Ways You May Support Freeman

Download the Box Tops App, Assign *Freeman Elementary* as your school, then scan receipts when you shop.
Connect your Fred Meyer Loyalty Card with Fred Meyer Community Rewards, and select *Freeman Elementary*

Nutrition Services

The waiver from USDA Food & Nutrition Services that provided free lunches during COVID-19 has now expired. Free and reduced meals will be available to students who qualify as determined through the family's completion of the application for Free & Reduced Priced Meals. All families are asked to complete this application regardless of perceived eligibility. The data is used for qualifying for other programs. New applications for this school year are available through the link provided, and families will be notified following application. Elementary student meals are $2.10 for breakfast and $3.15 for lunch. Meals are open to all elementary students.
To complete the application: www.schoolnutritionandfitness.com/index.php?sid=1484349669652&page=lunchapps
Please follow the link to add lunch money to your children's account:
https://wa-freeman.intouchreceipting.com/
You can also pay at the schools. (Debit/Credit only in MS and HS)
Note the new breakfast and lunch pricing.

Meal Prices	Breakfast	Lunch
Elementary	$2.10	$3.15

See attachments for September Menus

Sports, Activities, Clubs and Meetings

Please see the following attachments for information about sports, activities and clubs:

- **Skyward Family Access Meeting (09/12)**
- **PTSG Meeting (09/13)**
- **Cub Scout Pack 420 Meeting (09/14)**
- **Hooptown Youth League Reg. Due (09/15)**
- **Valleyfest (09/22-09/24)**

Southeast Spokane County Fair, September 22-24, Rockford, WA

Check out their website for all of the fun activities and details! Truck Pulls, Fun Run, Parade, Tractor Show, Cornhole Tourney, Princess Party, Greased Pig Contest, Lawn Mower Races, Rides, Local Food Booths and more!

SE Spokane County Fair

New Year, New Gear

Get some new Scottie Gear through Game One!

Freeman All-School Spirit Wear Custom Apparel and Merchandise - Game One (game-one.com)

Student Insurance

Each school has brochures available. Or please check out the link:
www.myers-stevens.com/enrollment-page/

WA State Governor's Office of the Education OMBUDS (OEO)

https://www.oeo.wa.gov/en

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 (Updated 2021)

SEPTEMBER BREAKFAST

11 Pancake & Sausage ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Craisins Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	12 Banana Bread ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk Gala Apple String Cheese	13 Cherry Strudel ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Fresh Orange Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	14 Egg McFreeman ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Banana Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk Egg McFreeman	15 Cinnamon Roll w/Icing ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Pear Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk
18 Berry Scone ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Craisins Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	19 Breakfast Pizza ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk Gala Apple Breakfast Pizza	20 Mini Filled Bagel ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Fresh Orange Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	21 Banana ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Banana Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk Egg McFreeman	22 Cinnamon Roll w/Icing ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Pear Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk
25 Churro ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Craisins Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	26 Dutch Waffle ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk Gala Apple	27 **LATE START** **Have a Healthy** **Breakfast at Home**	28 Egg McFreeman ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Banana Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk Egg McFreeman	29 Cinnamon Roll w/Icing ---------- Cereal & Goldfish ---------- Pear Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk

SEPTEMBER LUNCH

11 Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice, Cooked ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	12 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Bread Sticks ---------- Chicken Caesar Wrap ---------- Alternate Lunch Chocolate Milk White Milk	13 Chicken Nuggets Dinner Roll WG ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	14 Cheese Pizza ---------- Turkey Sandwich ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	15 Hamburger ---------- Turkey Sandwich ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Baked Beans Chocolate Milk White Milk
18 Egg McFreeman ---------- Chocolate Milk ---------- Alternate Lunch White Milk	19 Mozzarella Bread Sticks ---------- Chicken Caesar Wrap ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	20 Totchos Bread Sticks ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	21 Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice, Cooked ---------- Turkey Sandwich ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	22 Chicken Burger ---------- Turkey Sandwich ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Baked Beans Chocolate Milk White Milk
25 French Toast Sticks Sausage Patty ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	26 Spring Roll ---------- Chicken Caesar Wrap ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	27 Popcorn Chicken Dinner Roll WG ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	28 Cheese Pizza ---------- Turkey Sandwich ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Chocolate Milk White Milk	29 Hamburger ---------- Turkey Sandwich ---------- Alternate Lunch ---------- Baked Beans Chocolate Milk White Milk

Freeman School District presents

WHAT is SKYWARD?

HELP YOUR STUDENT

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

Questions? 509- 291-7301 jmoyer@freemansd.org

MEETING: 5:30 - 6:30 PM

FREEMAN ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY CLASSROOM

WEDNESDAY 9-13-23

AGENDA

- MEET & GREET
- REVIEW ANNUAL EVENTS PLAN
- GOVERNANCE REPORT
- PREP TO SUPPORT OUR KIDS FOR THE SCOTTIE DASH!!!

Parent Teacher Student PTSG Freeman group

Scouting is FUN!

Boys and Girls K-5 Welcome!!!

Join Cub Scout Pack 420!

Info night and sign up:

Thursday, September 14 @ 6:30pm

Chester Elementary School

Questions? Contact spokanepack420@gmail.com

HOOPTOWN YOUTH LEAGUE
23-24 SEASON

- Grades K - 6TH
- Recreational & Competitive Divisions
  - K-2 REC 6 game guarantee
  - 3-6 REC 7 game guarantee
  - 3-6 COMP 10 game guarantee

- No team needed - register individually
- Play with your friends and classmates
- Practice at your attending school
  - 1 practice a week for recreational
  - 2 practices a week for competitive

SCAN BELOW TO REGISTER:

https://hooptownusa.com/pages/youth-basketball-league

IMPORTANT DATES:

AUGUST 15
Player & coach registration opens

SEPTEMBER 15
Guaranteed registration deadline

LATE SEPTEMBER
Teams formed

OCTOBER (exact dates TBD)
Rec & Comp practice starts

OCTOBER 28th
Recreational teams start games

NOVEMBER 4TH
Competitive teams start games

Valleyfest invites your school, parent association and school clubs/activities to join with Valleyfest the weekend of September 22, 23 and 24th, 2023.

Parade
Join the wide variety of parade entries, including animals, custom and classic cars, floats, bands, clowns, Miss Spokane Valley Royalty, and more! Valleyfest Parade is Friday night September 22, 2023 stepping off at 7:30 pm from Sun City Church on Sprague Avenue and ending on the corner of Perrine and Sprague, near Chase Bank.

This year Valleyfest will provide a school banner for the first 10 schools that register for the parade. The link for registration is located at www.valleyfest.org

The rules and regulations for the parade are located on the registration page. Be creative and invite your parents and kids to walk, ride, scoot or kazoo in the Valleyfest parade.

Saturday September 23
Events continue at Mirabeau Point Park and CenterPlace Regional Event Center. Schools and school districts, organizations, can register for a booth, volunteer and inform your families of all the activities at Valleyfest. It's all there at www.valleyfest.org

Saturday CenterPlace will host the STEAM activities including the Pacific Science Center and two planetariums. There will be three entertainment stages, 250 booths with many free activities for families and the expanded Culture Fest in Mirabeau Park Meadows.

Sunday September 23
Multi-Sport Sunday starts at Plantes Ferry Park at 8:00 am The Valleyfest Foundation is sponsoring 30 children for the 5K run. Please see www.valleyfest.org for more details.

Of course there is much more to Valleyfest than the activities listed, however, our committee wanted to have this information out prior to the end of this school year.

Valleyfest is looking forward to answering your questions, and working with you so that your school is included in this community festival and celebration.

Peggy Doering, Valleyfest Executive Director
509-922-3299