FREEMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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SCOTTE SCOOP OCTOBER 24, 2025



UPCOMING DATES

Oct 28 2:45-5:15pm = Robotics (K8 MPR)

Oct 29 10:15am = Late Start

2:45-4:00pm = Girl Scouts (FES Comm. Clsrm)

2:45-4:00pm = Math is Cool (FES Lg Conf. Rm)

Oct 30 2:45-4:00pm = Chess Club (FES Comm. Clsrm)

2:45-5:15pm = Robotics (K8 MPR)

Oct 31 Halloween Parties (check w/teachers for times)

Nov 4 FES Individual Picture Retakes (morning)

2:45-5:15pm = Robotics (K8 MPR)

Nov 5 2:45-4:00pm = Girl Scouts (FES Comm. Clsrm)

2:45-4:00pm = Math is Cool (FES Lg Conf. Rm)

Nov 6 2:45-4:00pm = Chess Club (FES Comm. Clsrm)

Nov 10 8:45-9:15am = Veteran's Breakfast (FHS MPR)

9:30-11:00am = Veteran's Assembly (FHS Blue Gym)

Nov 11 Happy Veteran's Day (NO SCHOOL)

Nov 12 2:45-5:15pm = Robotics (K8 MPR)

2:45-4:00pm = Girl Scouts (FES Comm. Clsrm)

2:45-4:00pm = Math is Cool (FES Lg Conf. Rm)

5:30-6:30pm = PTSG Meeting (FES Comm. Clsrm)

Nov 13 2:45-4:00pm = Chess Club (FES Comm. Clsrm)

2:45-5:15pm = Robotics (K8 MPR)

Nov 14 4:30-6:30pm = Harvest Hoe Down

COSTUME GUIDELINES

We love celebrating school spirit and creativity! Costumes are a fun way to show enthusiasm and build community, but they must also support a safe and positive learning environment.

Please follow these guidelines:

- Costumes should be school-appropriate and should not interfere with learning.
- No gore, weapons or any item that looks like a weapon, or inappropriate themes (including violence, alcohol, or other adult content).
- No Masks
- Accessories must not interfere with learning, block vision, or cause distraction.
- Inflatable costumes can be worn outside during recess and during the party, but not during instructional time.

Costumes should allow full participation in regular school activities and comply with the school dress code.

ATTENDANCE

Thank you for your patience as we implement the state required attendance threshold communication to share your child's current attendance status. This communication is only informative in nature. Please continue to communicate with the office and call the Attendance Line for any absences. If you have any questions, please reach out to the FES Office (509) 291-4791.

CONFERENCE MEALS

Thank you to our PTSG for providing food for the staff during conferences. The food was so yummy and we appreciate it so mu

It was so great to be able to catch up and share all of the great things that your students are doing! Thank you for taking the time to conference with our teachers!

RETURNING STUDENTS INFO. UPDATE

Thank you for continuing to get us up to date! We still have about 50 students whose Returning **Student Information Updates are needed! All** students NEW and RETURNING need their information verified and updated. If you have no changes, the process should be very quick! Please call the office if you need help logging in or have any questions at all! (509) 291-4791

IMPORTANT LINKS

Please click any of the following links for more information:

> **Family Access Instructions Link Family Access Link FSD Volunteer Application Link**



COUNSELING CORNER

with School Counselor Kayleen Archibald karchibald@freemansd.org

The Kindness Challenge

Kindness is a superpower! We can use it to make people feel good, and it feels good to be kind, too. Encourage your child to do at least one kind thing every day. It can be as simple as sharing a toy, using a nice voice, or drawing a picture for a friend.

Try This: Start a family "kindness jar." Every time someone does something kind, add a small object or note to the jar. Celebrate all the kindness you see at the end of the week.



4TH GRADE AT THE SYMPHONY!

Our 4th Graders got all dressed up and headed to the Symphony!! They finished it off with ice cream sundaes back at school! What a fun field trip. Thank you to all of the parent volunteers and 4th grade teachers for making this a special experience!





SPIRIT WEEK FUN!



































Please follow this <u>membership linK</u> or the qr code below to become a member of our amazing PTSG Group. Get involved in all of our fun activities! All are welcome to join the ptsg meetings. They meet the 2nd wednesday of every month in the FES community classroom from 5:30-6:30pm. next meeting is Wednesday, october 8th.



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITES!

See attached flyers

*Hub-O-Ween

*Harvest Hoe Down

*2 VFW Essay Contests!

*Veteran's Day Assembly

FREEMAN FOCUS NEWSLETTER!

The latest edition of the Freeman Focus
Newsletter is here! Catch up on all the amazing
things happening across the Freeman School
District – from outstanding state test results
and student achievements to new programs
like Freeman ConnectEd and exciting updates
on our 100% grant-funded solar project! Plus,
don't miss highlights from fall sports, clubs,
field trips and the Scottie Dash fundraiser.
There's so much to celebrate as we enter the
2nd quarter of the 2025-26 school year! Read
the full edition HERE.

FES/FMS LIBRARY

A HUGE Thank You!

To all our amazing volunteers already scheduled – you're the best! But guess what? We can always use more help!

Here's Where We Need You: Monday:

- 8:00 AM 11:00 AM: Check In/Check Out
 Tuesday:
- 9:10 AM 11:10 AM: Shelving, Processing New Books & Book Repair
 - Wednesday:
- 9:10 AM 11:10 AM: Check In/Check Out
- 12:10 PM 2:45 PM: Check In/Check Out Thursday:
- 8:15 AM 10:50 AM: Shelving, Processing New Books & Book Repair
- 12:10 PM 2:45 PM: Check In/Check Out Friday:
- 9:15 AM 11:10 AM: Shelving, Processing New Books & Book Repair

Contact Susan Chadduck

schadduck@freemansd.org 509-291-7301

freemansd.org - Volunteer application must be completed

NUTRITION SERVICES

Freeman Nutrition Services has embarked on a journey to provide students with more direct input on the menu items. Working with K8 ASB to identify one celebration per month, where students have an opportunity to provide us with a new menu choice they would like to see on the menu, based on the monthly celebrations calendar that Nutrition Services has provided them with.

For example, November 3 is National Sandwich Day. After receiving several choices provided for Nutrition Services by K8 ASB students, the following new menu items will be on the menu on November 3. We are still working some of the processes out for this collaboration, but we are all excited about this new venture in Freeman Nutrition Students (as are the students).

Main Entree: Rockin BBQ Chicken Sandwich Grab & Go option: Italian Ciao Down

ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST: \$2.20

ADULTS: \$3.20

Chocolate Chip Scone
Craisins
Juice Variety
Chocolate Milk
White Milk

Cereal & Goldfish
Banan Bread
Juice Variety
Chocolate Milk
White Milk
Gala Apple

LATE START Have a Healthy Breakfast at Home Cereal & Goldfish

Fresh Orange
Juice Variety
Chocolate Milk
White Milk

Cinnamon Roll w/Icing
Cereal & Goldfish
Pear
Juice Variety
Chocolate Milk
White Milk

ELEMENTARY
LUNCH: \$3.60

ADULTS: \$5.00

27 Nachos w/Ground Beef
------Alternate Lunch
-----Chocolate Milk
White Milk

Chicken Nuggets
Mashed Potatoes
Dinner Roll WG
------Alternate Lunch
Chocolate Milk
White Milk

Assorted Pizza
------Alternate Lunch
-----Chocolate Milk
White Milk

Chicken Burger
Alternate Lunch
Chocolate Milk
White Milk



Just a reminder: Please do not pack energy drinks or soda in your students' lunch.





FSD TECHNOLOGY

October,2024

As part of our commitment to your child's online safety, we want to let you know about an important update. Freeman School District has partnered with Qustodio, the world's leading provider of online safety solutions.

As devices play an increasing role in children's education it is crucial that we put safeguards in place. Your child already benefits from internet filtering technology which blocks inappropriate web content on their school-owned Chromebook. This is also mandated by US leaislation.

Freeman School District is going one step further. We are granting every parent a free Qustodio Parental App account. Qustodio will give you important insights into your child's online activity on their school Chromebook. You can use it to review and manage activities on other devices in your home too.

With Qustodio, you'll be able to:

- Manage your child's screen time
- Supervise your child's online activity
- · Access expert advice via Freeman School Districts Online Safety Hub

Qustodio is a valuable partner that prioritizes privacy, safety and rights of students and parents

Activate Your Free Account

On the following page, you will find simple instructions to register your account. Please be sure to use the same email address we have on file for you when registering to connect to your child's

We are excited to work with you and Qustodio to help our students develop healthy and safe online habits. Please visit Freeman School District's Online Safety Hub for more information about Qustodio, access to expert advice and additional resources.

Freeman does not provide support for Qustodio; instead, Qustodio offers support for their own product. Please email inquiries to: myschool@qustodio.com

Freeman School District Information Technology



myschool@qustodio.com



https://freemansd.onlinesafetyhub.io

PRIDE | COMMITMENT | CARING

Opt-In from your mobile now!



Just send "Y" or "Yes" to 67587.

Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes: SMS stands for Short Message Service and is com referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers

If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

*Terms and Conditions: Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See

FMS AND FHS NEWSLETTERS

Want to find out what's going on in the Middle School and/or High school? Check out their weekly newsletters as well!

> Freeman Middle Scoop **FHS Friday flyer**



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

Who is participating, and when?

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

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

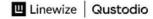
How does it work?

Surveys are confidential and take just a few minutes.

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







TEAMWORK MADE FASY

App for Parents & Families

Technology makes a direct impact on children, their families, and their learning environment. For children to learn and grow as digital citizens in our increasingly connected world, we must first lay out the foundations of online safety, digital literacy, and wellbeing.

Through our school district's partnership with Linewize, our online safety and wellbeing provider, we are able to extend visibility and safeguarding controls on to parents and guardians.



Visibility on student activity





Expert advice



Parents and guardians can also extend protection to personal devices with family-focused digital wellbeing features that adapt to different needs as their child grows:

Filter and block feature

Time limits and

screen-free sched

 Location tracking and anic button fe

III Visibility on browsing Calls & messages history, social media and screen time tracking to monitor suspicious activity

Tailored reports and alerts for inappropriate



Multi-parent access and management available



How to get started

- 1. Scan the QR code or visit qustodio.com/my-school
- 2. Create your account using the email address your school has on file
- 3. Get real-time visibility

For any queries, contact us at myschool@qustodio.com

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AND ITS AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON











Official Entry Form Youth Essay Program Grades 3-4-5 2025 - 2026

THEME: "How I Respect the American Flag"

Grade Level:	Word Count:
Date Due to Sponsoring Post/Auxiliary: October 31st	
PLEASE NOTE: This entry form must be completely filled out and accompany the essay.	
PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:	
Students Name:	Phone Number:
Address:	
Parent or Guardian Name:	
Parent or Guardian Signature:	Parent Phone:
Instructor's Name location _	
Address of School or Home <u>To be completed by Post/Auxiliary</u>	
Name & Number of Sponsoring Post/ Auxiliary:	
Address:	
Chairman's Name:	
NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AT THE POST/AUXILIARY LEVEL Disclaimer Notice: The district does not sponsor this event/activity/ offer and the district assumes no responsibility for it. In consideration for the privilege to distribute these materials, the School District No shall be held harmless	

from any cause of action filed in any court or administrative tribunal arising out of the distribution of these materials,

including all costs, attorney's fees and judgments or awards.

Veterans of Foreign Wars and Its Auxiliary Department of Washington State Youth Essay Program Rules and Regulations Grades 3-4-5

- 1. Participants must compose their own essay.
- 2. The essay must be clearly handwritten, typed or computer prepared.
- Judging will be under the guidance set by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Judging will include 30 points for addressing the theme, 30 points for clarity of Ideas, 40 points for Theme Development.
- 4. Since this program is completely voluntary, a student does not have to go through his/her school to participate. Any student from any school in the State of Washington may enter the program by contacting a local Post or Auxiliary for rules and Official Entry form. Home Schooled students are also eligible.
- A copy of the Official Entry form must accompany the essay. All sections of the official entry form **MUST** be completed at the Post/Auxiliary level. Entry forms **MUST** be signed by a parent.
- 6. All essays become the property of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Washington. <u>If copies are desired, you must make your own. Chairman will not return essays.</u>
- 7. Contest begins at the start of the school year.
- 8. Length: Not to exceed 250 words.
- 9. Student's Name, City, or School **MUST NOT** be on the essay, only on the entry form.
- 10. Essay must stay within the prescribed subject matter and there can be **NO** added color or artwork.
- 11. Essay written in poem form will not be accepted.
- 12. The Post or Auxiliary sponsoring the school **MUST** do the judging at the local level.

Essays due to local Post/Auxiliary by: October 31st

Any Essay not **received** by the deadline will not be accepted.

Please submit 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 3rd grade, 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 4th grade, and 1 winner for every 15 entrees for 5th grade to your District for judging by Nov. 15th.



FREEMAN HIGH SCHOOL

ANNUAL VETERANS DAY ASSembly

The Freeman Community and special guests are invited to join the Freeman School District for a program to honor those who have served our great country!



MONDAY

NOVEMBER 10TH, 2025

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CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST:

8:45AM - 9:15AM

PROGRAM BEGINS:

9:30 AM



If you have pictures of your family members who have served in the military and would like them included in our slideshow, please send your submissions to:

<u>margaret.vangemert@goscotties.com</u> & kmonasmith@freemansd.org

Be sure to include the following information: Name, Branch, Years Served, Relation to Freeman, Any Honors or Medals Received, Photo