

Fremont City Schools

Superintendent's Message

Important Dates:

Nov. 3 - Elementary Parent
Teacher Conferences 3:45-
7:15

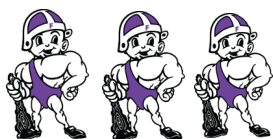
Nov. 5 - Elementary Parent
Teacher Conferences 3:45-
7:15

Nov. 6 - No School for
students- K-12 Parent
Teacher Conferences

Nov. 13 - FCS Second
Semester Student Learning
Option Form Due by 4:00

Nov. 25-Nov.27-
Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 21-Jan. 4-Winter
Break



Board of Education Meetings:

- Nov. 16, 2020
- Nov. 30, 2020
- Dec. 14, 2020
- Dec. 28, 2020

All meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.
at Fremont Middle School.
Please visit the FCS website,
www.fremontschools.net, for a
complete list of meetings, meet-
ing minutes and other pertinent
information.

Greetings Fremont Families,

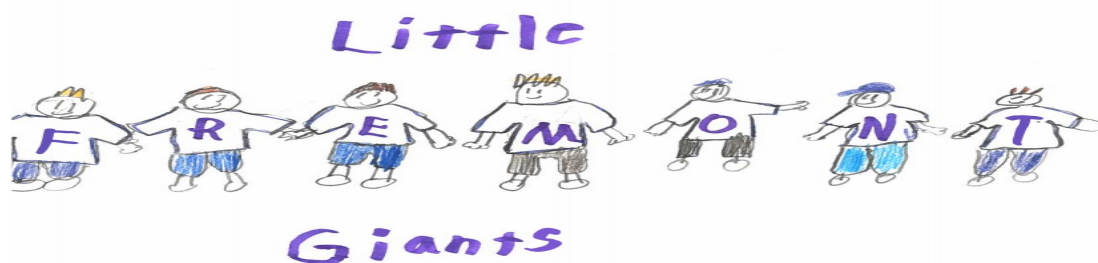
I am old enough to remember the Blizzard of '78. I can still tell well-worn stories about those days so many years ago. I remember my mother was brought home on a snowmobile from the hospital. She was a nurse and had been stranded there two days because the roads were not yet passable. I remember that after we finally did get back to school, the mirrors on the bus scraped the snow piles on both sides of the road. I remember...

Do you think we will tell the same kind of stories years from now about COVID? I remember there wasn't any toilet paper. I remember a drive-in graduation. I remember professional sports games with no fans in the stands. I remember going to school two days a week. I remember...

There is something that I know we will remember about our current age, and that is the fact that during this time the citizens of Fremont passed a levy and built four new elementary schools and a new high school. We did this during a worldwide pandemic. We did this while there were steel tariffs, supply chain disruptions, political and social demonstrations and labor shortages. When the high school opens in January of 2022, the oldest building in the district will be the "new" middle school at ten years old. We have set our students up for generations of success in the middle of a lot of chaos.

I know I will look back and remember how proud I was of our community. I will remember...

Jon C. Detwiler



District Reset, Restart Plan

On October 14, 2020, the Board of Education approved a plan for the second quarter for currently seated students. In-school students will be in school five days a week in both the Yellow and Orange levels for the county, Hybrid if we are Red and All Virtual if we are Purple. This plan will start at the beginning of the second quarter, October 26th. All At Home Learners will continue that plan for the semester which ends December 18th. For more information, you may view the complete plan on the District website at fremontschools.net.

Important Announcements

Bus Routes

District Revised Dress Code Policy

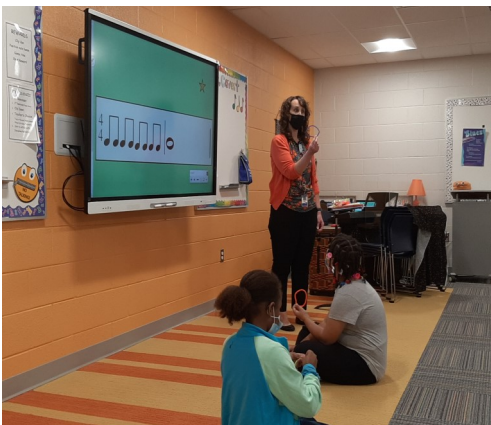
District Reset and Restart Plan

Top 5 Things You Can Do If You Are Isolated or Quarantined - Ohio Department of Health

At Home Learning Program Information

Programa de Aprendizaje en el Hogar de Fremont City Schools

Being Creative



Atkinson fourth grade students are constructing different types of musical notes using pipe cleaners in Mrs. Covert's music class. The students were able to create half, whole, and quarter notes with the provided pipe cleaners. They enjoyed using their creativity while learning about the different sounds each note makes. The teachers throughout the building are utilizing alternative ways of teaching using materials that can easily be cleaned or disposed of. We are very proud of our staff as they have stepped up to the challenges that COVID-19 has placed on them. The students pictured are from Mrs. Fisher's home-room class.

Hispanic Heritage Month

Lutz students and staff are enjoying learning about Hispanic Heritage. Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from September 15th to October 15th. This celebration recognizes the contributions and influences of Hispanic Americans to the history, culture, and achievements of the United States. The students have enjoyed listening to Hispanic music, making papel picado (Mexican folk art), sampling a piece of pan dulce, and story time with Mr. Detwiler. Thank you to Juanita Gutierrez and her committee for decorating the building and providing many fun activities for our students.



Fire Safety Month

October is Fire Safety Month, and Otis Elementary was able to learn about fire safety from the best! Both Fremont Fire Department and Townsend Volunteer Fire Department visited the school to instruct students on fire safety as well what it takes to be a firefighter! Throughout the presentations, students had a chance to look inside the fire



trucks, hold the heavy hoses, and try on some real gear. Fremont Fire Department even brought out their Fire Safe Kids truck and showed students the importance of having two ways out of a home and having a common meeting place. We are all so appreciative to have partners in the community that are willing to donate their time to teach our students.



FMS Suggested Study Habits for Success

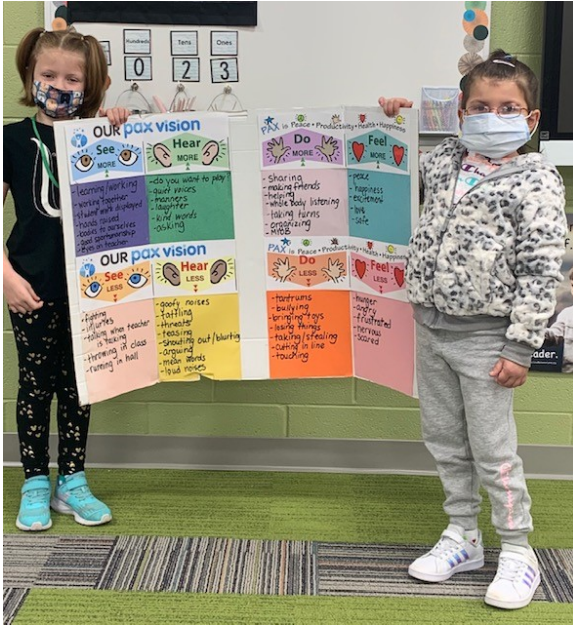
Now, more than ever, it is important to keep your school work organized. The way we do school has had to change, and with that, it is important for FMS students to adjust as well. Being disorganized can have a negative effect on even the brightest students and often overshadows their potential success. In order to be successful, it is important for students to manage their time wisely and develop organizational skills, especially when working from home.

To create a successful study space at home, students just have to follow these simple steps:

- ◆ Store worksheets and other homework assignments in one folder so that they never go missing again.
- ◆ Turn your phone off (or switch it to airplane mode) to prevent text messages and notifications from interrupting your work.
- ◆ Stash pencils, highlighters, and other supplies in containers to keep your workspace mess-free. Less clutter = fewer distractions.
- ◆ Set up a schedule for your days at home. Set aside specific time to work on each of your classes. Include a time in your schedule for breakfast and lunch as well.
- ◆ Track assignments and due dates in a planner. Write it down so you don't forget!
- ◆ Use ProgressBook to track and monitor your grades.
- ◆ Use a plate when eating! Turning in homework with crumbs or food stains will NOT get you extra points!

If you follow these steps, you will be set up for success.

PAX at Croghan



Croghan Jets are working hard to become PAX Leaders. PAX is the Latin word for peace. PAX is all about peace, productivity, health and happiness--the perfect recipe for successful learners.

The PAX Good Behavior Game is an evidence-based practice that we are beginning to implement during regular instructional time to encourage engagement, reduce disruptions, and help children to focus on the task at hand.

The increased self-regulation that children gain from using the PAX Good Behavior Game at school has shown to improve lifetime outcomes including: increased graduation and college entrance rates, increased lifetime earnings, decreased risk for drug abuse, and decreased risk for mental, emotional and behavioral disorders.

PAX increases peace, productivity, health and happiness for every community.

Over the past week, classroom communities have worked to finalize their PAX visions, and we have created a cafeteria vision as well. Please visit www.goodbehaviorgame.org for more information about PAX as well as ways to begin implementing PAX strategies at home.

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Whenever you use your Kroger Plus Card, Fremont City Schools will receive a donation equaling a percentage of the total amount you spend.

Northwest Region Ohio School Boards Association's Awards

Mr. Detwiler recently presented Mae Dell Leake with the Northwest Region Ohio School Boards Association's Humanitarian Award. Mrs. Leake was nominated by Shantel Laird, Vice President of FCS Board of Education. Mrs. Leake has a very impressive portfolio which reflects a public servant who has demonstrated an altruistic spirit for 25 years. She was noted to have been a pivotal member of Fremont schools and greater Sandusky County by creating and coordinating programs to help students excel. Throughout the years, Mrs. Leake has included parent education to encourage involvement and promote student academic and social growth. She has been a strong advocate for families and children in many areas of intervention, education, and social justice.



Mrs. Leake has been involved in a number of events and activities such as creating and coordinating the “New Directions After School Program” for Fremont City Schools and a course for preadolescent males entitled “My History & Me Class” for youth, specifically taught through the lens of African American teachers. The afterschool program provided a safe, healthy environment, tutoring, and meals for many students. She has successfully written many grants over the years to maintain and sustain the programs.

Mr. Detwiler also presented Deputy John Johannsen with the Northwest Region Ohio School Boards Association's Excellence in Community Service Award. Deputy Johannsen has been dedicated since his first day. He always goes above and beyond expectations. He is always ready to do whatever is necessary to assist the Fremont City Schools' staff.



In addition to his regular duties, Deputy Johannsen has attended evening events just to make sure the students see him there. He handles difficult situations with professionalism and kindness. Mr. Detwiler said, “I have often said that John was born to be an SRO and Fremont City Schools is lucky to have Deputy John walking our halls.”

His dedication and commitment to Fremont City Schools' students make Deputy Johannsen a perfect candidate for the NW Region Excellence in Community Service Award. Deputy Johannsen is truly a Hometown Hero!

New Start and New Look for Ross High School



Transitioning and change has been something everyone has been doing in our recent situation with the pandemic. Ross High School is no different. Some students are adapting to the at-home learning with the learning platform, SchoolsPLP, while others are coming to school with the hybrid model. No matter the choice of learning, all students and staff have to adapt to developing skills with technology to meet the learning expectations and understand that Ross deadlines do matter.

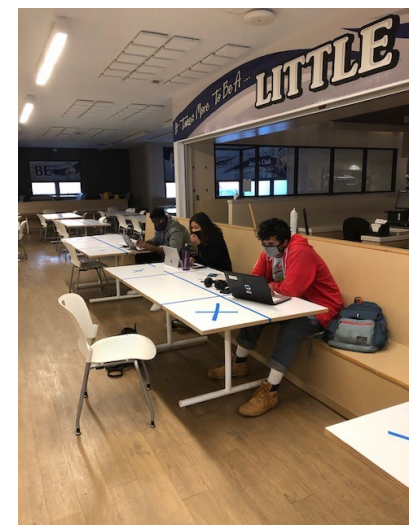


Teachers have created Google Classrooms to load all schoolwork for students to complete whether in school or at home. Zoom meetings are now a regular expectation in learning. Students are adapting to new modes of communication by checking their school email and Google Classrooms daily to keep up with announcements and upcoming events/projects. When students are in need of extra support from the guidance counselors and/or administrators, they need to use the QR code to schedule an appointment.



All of this is happening at Ross as well as wearing masks and staying socially distant.

While these changes and expectations can become tedious, students and staff are doing their best to stay true to the guidelines so they can stay healthy while learning.



THANK YOU FROM FCS

Thank you to the community for the beautiful elementary buildings. Here are some pictures of the buildings.



Board Members visit the Learning Center at Atkinson.



Otis Elementary



Lutz Elementary Hallway



Croghan Elementary Studio



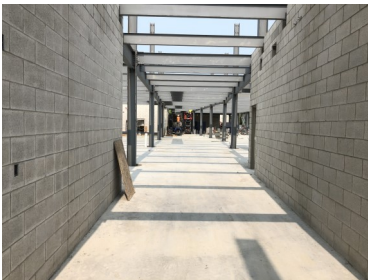
Playground Construction



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Building a Bright Future!



If you are interested in seeing the building project progress on the high school, a live stream and a virtual tour of the new high school building can be found on the District website. If you have questions about the building project that you would like addressed, please email them to fcsconstruction@fremontschools.net.



SUBSTITUTES NEEDED

Fremont City Schools is in need of Substitute Teachers, all levels (elementary, middle, high) and in all subject areas. If you have a Bachelor's Degree and are interested in teaching, you may be able to obtain an Ohio Substitute Teaching License. For more information, visit the Ohio Department of Education's website at <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Teaching/Educator-Licensure/Audiences/Substitute-Licensure>.

We are also in need of support staff substitutes. These positions include bus drivers, cooks, custodians, student monitors, paraprofessionals and secretaries.

Interested applicants can apply online at www.fremontschools.net. Questions regarding the online application can be directed to Human Resources at (419) 332-6454.

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