



NEWSLETTER

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SADD Activity Night

On November 16, SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) of Franklin School sponsored Activity Night. We had a bouncy house, a Velcro wall and a competitive obstacle course. There was also a dodge ball tournament for students 7-12. The Spanish Club, Ski Club and junior class all supported this fun activity by selling snacks to raise money for their clubs. Admission was three non-perishable food items or \$3.

SADD is proud to announce that 147 food items and \$200 were donated to our local food bank in Treadwell. A big thank you to members of SADD who volunteered, students, staff, administration and the community for participating and supporting this annual event.



Thank You for Your Support!



SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Franklin Central School Community,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying the winter season. I wanted to make you aware of two of our focus areas for the current school year. We recognize the positive impact engaged family members have on the academic success of our students. Family Engagement at FCS is defined as family members, administration, teachers, and support staff working together to foster and improve the learning, development, and well-being of all students. We have taken some time to define essential roles and responsibilities for our major stakeholders around family engagement. Please review the related document at your convenience located on the left side of our website homepage at www.franklincsd.org. We ask that all stakeholders take on the outlined responsibilities as a team, working together for the greater good.

Secondly, we are engaging in a strategic planning process to position our district for excellence in the years to come. Please review the related document at your convenience located on the left side of our website homepage at www.franklincsd.org. It is the intent of the district to gather feedback and suggestions from our stakeholders as part of this process. The sharing of ideas among a variety of stakeholders within a district is at the core of innovation. We are interested in any feedback or thoughts you might have regarding either family engagement or strategic planning.

As always, thank you for your support of our students, programs, and district. Feel free to contact me directly at 607-829-3551 or bzilliox@franklincsd.org.

Respectfully,
Brad Zilliox, Superintendent

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Franklin Central School is continuously accepting applications for the following Substitute positions:

- Certified Teacher (2 yr. degree required)
- Building Aide
- Custodial
- Cafeteria
- Nurse
- Bus Drivers

Applications are available online at www.franklincsd.org or call (607) 829-3551.

BUILDING ACCESS

Parents and Visitors to Franklin Central School must now enter through the main entrance. Effective January 1, the door located near Stone Hall will only be accessible to faculty and staff. We ask that parents and visitors please use the main entrance of the building.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Welcome back and Happy 2018!

I am very fortunate to work in a school with such a family-like atmosphere. I continue to be amazed by the support shown all students by teachers, staff, families and community members in both academic and extracurricular endeavors.

We had very successful parent/teacher conference days in November. While these were designated opportunities for you to contact your child's teacher(s), I encourage you to seek feedback often. Do not hesitate to ask questions or seek clarification regarding our curriculum or your child's academic progress.

Our music programs provided accompaniment to the Senior Citizen's Community Thanksgiving Dinner. The winter concert in December was a wonderful composite of choir and band selections. We have an incredibly talented group of young musicians.

Several clubs have been active as well. Honor Society members assisted with the community Thanksgiving feast and conducted our first Blood Drive of the school year, Student Council coordinated a food drive and AVP held an Advanced Workshop in December. We offer many opportunities for students to get involved and hope your children will take advantage of as many as possible.

Basketball season is in full swing! Come support the Purple Devils as they compete in the Tri-Valley League. We are passionate, proud, positive fans both home and away. I am often complimented by our competitors regarding our spectator behavior. *Thank you!*

Best wishes for a healthy and *Happy New Year!*

Sincerely,
Mrs. Julie Bergman,
PreK-12 Principal and CSE/CPSE Chairperson

ANGEL TREE PROGRAM

This year the Angel Tree program provided holiday meals and gifts to 20 families (and 49 children). Thank you to the Franklin-Treadwell Food Bank for packing food baskets, the Franklin Good Old Boys Club for donating Aldi's gift cards, the FCS student council for sponsoring a food drive, and to the FCS employees who coordinated the program and made deliveries.

Also, a *huge* thank you to the Franklin Community who make this program possible year after year by donating food and gifts!

QUARTER 1 HONOR ROLL FRANKLIN CSD 2017-2018

GREAT JOB!

7th GRADE

Principal's List
Madeline McLaughlin
High Honor Roll
Isabella Hotchkin
Honor Roll
Robert Menyhart
Max Meo
Aidan Morrell
Desiree Rosenbusch
Bernard Scherer
Sophia Whitaker

8th GRADE

Principal's List
Tori Decker
Brandon Gregory
Matthew Serrao
High Honor Roll
Kayla Campbell
Marissa Campbell
Thomas Rodriguez
Jacob Sanford
Angel Shaw
Zoe Warren
Honor Roll
Michael Cox
Alan DuMond
Leah Hyzer
Adriahna Ransom
Victor Rodriguez-Matias
Meredith Shivers
Nicketa Utter

9th GRADE

Principal's List
Jeffrey Bullis
Matthew Cox
Nathaniel Dennis
Paige Dutcher
Abby-Noelle Potter
High Honor Roll
Dhalia Van Kingsley
Megan Yager
Honor Roll
Gretchyn Ackley
Bryce Davis
Alyssa Nolan
Cole Ruff

10th GRADE

Principal's List
Madelynn Ackley
Molly McLaughlin
Gabriel Smith
High Honor Roll
Kristin Cronk
Nicholas McWeeney
Mohammad Daniel Zahid

Honor Roll

Rileigh Brown
Morgan Carpenter
Jonathan Davis
Dylan Dewey
Sumer Golinski
George Machala
Alyssa Nowhitney

11th GRADE

Principal's List
Alexis Bellino
Collin Campbell
Rachel Cobane
Daniel Coughlin
Tyler Gregory
Peter Niebanck
Cora Van Kingsley

High Honor Roll

Juliana Archibald
Siera Coloney
Carson Dutcher
Matthew Dyke
Ethan Hotchkin
Olivia Hyzer
Demetri Jaromack
Amber Jordan
Molli Opramolla
Alexandra Rodriguez
Lauren Rodriguez
Mohammad Raheel Zahid

Honor Roll

Janet Ibrahimovic
Sebastian Swift
Adam Thies

12th GRADE

Principal's List
Kirsten Brownell
Lacey Cox
High Honor Roll
Lilliana Bevilacqua
Jarrett Bryan
Nicholas Chase
Jordan Hull
Megan Northrop
Timothy Peterson
Jeffrey Sarno
Joseph Serrao
Honor Roll
Cheyenn Aubry
Cassidy Gardner
Jennifer Meo
Jillian Parascandola

SOCCKER TEAMS QUALIFY FOR SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARDS

Both Franklin Varsity Soccer Teams qualified for the NYSPHSAA Scholar Athlete Team award. To do so a Varsity team must have at least 75% of its roster achieve a cumulative GPA of 90% or better.

The boys' team achieved an average of 93.662, while the girls' team achieved an average of 94.878. Great job!



THE KINDERGARTEN CLASS ENJOYED THE HOLIDAYS



THE KINDERGARTENERS HAD FUN SINGING TWO SONGS TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS AT THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON. THEY ENJOYED MAKING THEIR TURKEY HATS!



THE KINDERGARTEN CLASS WROTE SPECIAL LETTERS TO SANTA. THEY WERE VERY EXCITED TO MAIL THEM USING THE NORTH POLE AIR MAIL.

FOURTH GRADE NEWS

The fourth grade has been very busy since the start of school. In science, we used Cheese Doodles, apple juice and paper bag “flowers” to model pollination; grew our own plants from seeds and cuttings; and learned about the importance of each part of a flower. Most recently, we have begun our unit on the animal kingdom. The class has also spent time reading texts related to the traditions of the Haudenosaunee. If you are not sure whom these people are, make sure you ask a fourth grader and they will tell you!

Lastly, it is that time of the year for one of my favorite fourth grade traditions. The class made dog treats to donate to our friends at the Delaware Valley Humane Society. Who knew that math and reading could be so much fun? A special thanks to Mrs. and Mr. Rogers, Mrs. Lamb and Mrs. Jess Taggart who volunteered their time and patience to help with our project. While we looked forward to the winter break, we can’t wait to see what the new year brings!

PREK LOVES ICE CREAM DAY!



LIBERANNI 2017-2018

This year’s yearbook, the *Liberanni*, promises to be one of the biggest yearbooks yet with 128 pages all in color! Our staff does an excellent job including club and activity photos, candid, sports teams photos, and special pages for Halloween, the Christmas concert, Veterans Day, dances, morning program, and other special activities.

This precious book of memories is only \$20. The *Liberanni* staff would love to see a yearbook in the hands of every student. Please see Mrs. Patrick and buy one today. Thank you!

ORDER YOUR 2017-2018 FRANKLIN CENTRAL SCHOOL YEARBOOK TODAY. STILL A DEAL AT \$20.

LIBERANNI

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number of books: _____

Please enclose \$20 for each book and return to:

*Liberanni Franklin Central School
c/o Suzanne Patrick
P.O. Box 888
Franklin, NY 13775*

Cash _____ Check # _____

MUSIC NOTES

Congratulations to **Cora Van Kingsley** (trumpet) who recently was selected for and performed in the Zone 8 Area All-State Band in November. The concert was held at SUNY Oneonta after two days of rehearsals with a guest conductor.

Also, congratulations to **Cora Van Kingsley** and **Collin Campbell** (trumpet) who were selected for the 2018 Senior All-County Band.

The following Elementary band students were also selected for the 2018 Elementary All-County Band:

- **Jason Boren** (flute)
- **Haylee Taggart** (flute)
- **Alexis Hilton** (oboe)
- **Seamus deMauro** (alto saxophone)
- **Tamara Wright** (trumpet)
- **Sara Rosenbusch** (trumpet)
- **Griffin Leddy** (trombone)
- **Cailyn Williams** (mallets)
- **Lindsey VanDyke** (percussion)

The 2018 All-County Festival will be held on March 16-17 at Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi, with the public concert on March 17 at 3:00 p.m.

The Senior Band, Jazz Band, and Elementary Bands all performed extremely well in the recent Holiday Concert on December 6. We loved seeing all of you there and thank you for all the support that you provide our FCS Band students! We look forward to seeing you at our Senior Band Dinner Concert on March 6. Tickets will be going on sale in February! Ask a band member, email jgoldman@franklincsd.org, or call the school for your ticket!



SENIOR CITIZEN THANKSGIVING DINNER



On Wednesday, November 15 the Franklin Central School held the 28th Annual Senior Citizen Thanksgiving Luncheon. The students and staff served approximately 110 senior citizens from the community. Mrs. Karen Terry and her staff out did themselves again with an amazing meal. A great performance was put on by the kindergarteners, senior chorus and senior band. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves. We would like to send a special thank you to the FCS cafeteria staff, custodial staff, office staff, band/chorus departments, and students for making this event a great success!



HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

The National Honor Society and the National Junior Honor Society members have been busy this fall. Each member has chosen an ISP (Individual Service Project), which requires spending at least four hours a month for community service. The students have volunteered at church dinners, decorated the Rotary trees with lights, hosted the American Red Cross blood drive, helped out in elementary classrooms and kept the school Sign Board up to date. Other members helped coach elementary soccer teams and helped with the 4-H program in Delaware County.

Our next American Red Cross blood drive is scheduled for February 16, 2018. It will run from 1:30-6:30 p.m. This will be the only other drive hosted by National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society this year. At our blood drive on December 20, 2017 we collected 15 units of blood. Thank you! If we can collect 35 units of blood between the two drives, one of our Seniors is eligible for a scholarship.

During the 2016-2017 school year, the Faculty Councils updated the scholarship requirement for consideration into the Honor Societies. Students will be considered if they have a 90% GPA. Other requirements are based on Character, Service, Citizenship, and Leadership.

FORENSICS CLUB



The Franklin Forensics Club is off to a great start this school year. Students have attended two tournaments, one at Delhi Central School and one at SUNY Oneonta. The team has brought home two trophies, one from each tournament.

George Machala took first place at the Delhi tournament in the category of Lincoln-Douglas Debate.

At the SUNY Oneonta tournament, the Public Forum debate team of **George Machala** and **Abby-Noelle Potter** took third place after a lot of hard work. The team is doing an excellent job and looking forward to their next tournament in February.

Great job Abby and George! Franklin is very proud of you.

CONGRATS!

ATHLETIC RECOGNITION NIGHT

On December 22, Franklin Central School unveiled six banners recognizing the achievements of former Franklin Athletes. The ceremony took place in the Franklin school gymnasium where the banners will hang.

The banners recognized the following athletes: 1,000 point scorers in basketball; 100 point scorers in soccer; Section IV track and field champions; and Section IV Hall of Fame members. Two banners were also unveiled celebrating our boys' basketball sectional winning teams from 1965-66 and 1967-68.

A special banner was also presented from 1917-18 that was won by the Franklin Central school boys basketball team.

Many of the former athletes were in attendance to help celebrate this special occasion. A special thank you to Darryl Beers, JJ Laing, Allecia Laing, Keith Burgin, Mike Hyzer, and Mike Dutcher who organized the banners and ceremony.



HOF (L TO R): DENISE McNEILLY, MIKE HYZER (WENDELL COOK'S GRANDSON), JULIE VEEN (DeCARLO)



BBALL1000 (L TO R): DENISE McNEILLY, STASIA HALAQUIST (FRANK ROBINSON'S SISTER), KYLE BUEL, JORDAN BEERS, DEREK BEERS, JULIE VEEN (DeCARLO)



SOCCER100 (L TO R): DENISE McNEILLY, LILY STALTER, JORDAN BEERS, JESS DOWNIN, DEREK BEERS

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB



The Ski/Snowboard Club would like to thank *everyone* for our outstanding breakfast fundraiser. As always, the students did a great job! A special thank you to the Jordan family for the delicious maple syrup. We will ski/snowboard on the slopes at Elk Mountain this January. We are very excited! Thanks again.

—Mrs.Cox and Mrs.Peterson



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Franklin and Treadwell Fire Departments and Emergency Squads are in need of volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering please stop by the Franklin Fire Department on any Monday night around 7:00 p.m. High School students interested in the Explorer Program are also encouraged to join.

BACKPACK PROGRAM

This fall, Franklin Central School started participating in the Backpack Nutrition program. This program is handled in conjunction with the Northeastern Regional Food Bank of New York and provides children with backpacks full of food for the weekend.

THE BACKPACK PROGRAM

- Is designed to tackle the weekend meal gap, when school-based meal programs do not operate;
- Provides students with child-friendly, shelf-stable, and easy to prepare foods;
- Provides students with the equivalent of six meals over the weekend;
- Operates for 30 weeks during the academic year (October-mid June);
- Has school staff refer the children who would benefit the most from the program;
- Is flexible in design based on each school's capacities and limitations; and
- Is locally supported by schools, their partners, and generous community members.

Mrs. Patrick, with assistance from the Rho Chapter of DKG International, first introduced the program idea in the spring of 2017. During the summer, grants were written and donations were sought. We implemented the program in October and currently serve 30 children each week.

Many people and groups help make the program a success. Our custodial staff set-up a storage area as a pantry and packing area. Volunteers from the Rho Chapter and FCS faculty and staff, pack and distribute backpacks each week. Our transportation staff also make the monthly trip to meet the Regional Food Bank Truck to pick up food and bring it back to the school. We couldn't possibly name everyone who has volunteered, but would like to thank everyone for their selfless acts of service.

A special thank you to the those that contributed monetary donations to get the program started this year: The O'Connor Foundation, The Community Foundation of Unadilla, The Franklin Educational Foundation, the Franklin Rotary, Wayne Bank, Taggart Electric, the Community Bible Church, the Franklin Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma, Mr. and Mrs. John Girton, Ms. Chelsea Beckemeyer and Mrs. Kellie Renwick.

Although the program is fully funded for this year, we are seeking donations to continue this program for the next several years. You may support a student for any amount: \$4 a week, \$16 a month or \$183 a year. Donations can be sent directly to Franklin Central School. If you would like more information about the program please contact Mrs. Patrick or Mrs. Renwick at (607) 829-3551.

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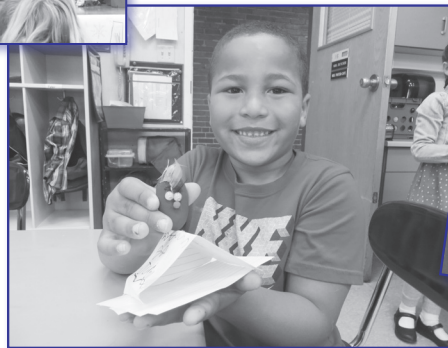
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FIRST GRADE NEWS

First grade has had a great first half of the year! The students are working hard to become awesome readers, mathematicians, and scientists. They are reading every day and enjoying the 100 Book Challenge. We read a story called *Bear Stays Up for Christmas*, and then we performed a play based on the book. It was wonderful! Thanks to all the families for their support and help.

The Franklin Community Education Foundation has provided us with funding for the purchase of supplies to use in our STEM projects. We have experimented and learned a lot while solving problems and constructing solutions to challenges. You can see some of our work at franklincsd.org just go to Mrs. Dutcher's First Grade photo gallery.



UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

22-25 NYS Regents Exams

29 Staff Development Day—No School for Students

FEBRUARY

8 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Cafeteria)

16 National Honor Society Blood Drive, 1:00-6:30 p.m.

19 No School—President's Day (Offices Closed)

20-21 No School—Winter Recess

MARCH

6 Senior Band Dinner/MIOSM Concert, 5:00 p.m.

8 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Cafeteria)

13 Elementary Music & Senior Chorus MIOSM Concert,
7:00 p.m.

26-29 No School—Spring Break

30 No School—Good Friday (Offices Closed)

APRIL

4 NHS Inductions, 1:00 p.m.

6 NJHS Inductions, 2:00 p.m.

10-13 NYS ELA Testing, Grades 3-8

16-17 NYS ELA Testing, Grades 3-8

17 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Cafeteria)

18-30 Book Fair