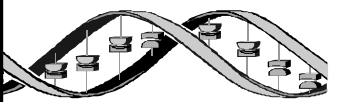


FHS Parent Connection



Franklin High School Information...

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE TEACHERS & STAFF

Spring Open House was held on February 9 and PTO would like to express thanks to teachers, staff and administration personnel who participated. This is the only chance for parents to meet all their child's teachers in one brief visit to the school, and with everyone's busy, hectic schedules, the time was greatly appreciated. The PTO was pleased to be able to provide snacks and a drink to the staff. Drinks were brought in by FHS parents and the snacks were donated by Welch Automotive.

INGLES TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS AND BI-LO BOOSTERS

In an effort to increase the funds PTO has available for financing the projects we undertake each year, we will be participating in the Ingles Tools for Schools and Bi-Lo Boosters programs. Both of these programs benefit FHS and the PTO without costing you, the participant, ANYTHING! All you have to do at Ingles is fill out the form attached to this newsletter and turn it in at Ingles next time you shop. Then, every time you shop and swipe your Ingles card, a portion of what you spend goes to the FHS account and we can shop in the catalog they provide. Bi-Lo actually will send us a check at the end of the year, which is even better. The form for Bi-Lo is also attached. The PTO hopes you will take the time to complete these forms and register at these stores.

SPANISH CLUB FUNDRAISER

Contact any of the members of the Spanish Club for a red Franklin Panthers tote bag - only \$10.00. The Club is raising money so they will be able to participate in Spanish Heritage Week with a special project, and also to cover their costs for attending the language competition being held at Western Carolina University on March 24.

NHS INDUCTION MARCH 22, 3:00 PM

New members of the National Honor Society will be inducted into the club in a ceremony to be held in the Fine Arts Center. Students must be in grades 10 through 12, must have a 3.5 GPA or better, and must have a letter of recommendation outlining why they should be a part of NHS. Each student must complete 15 hours of volunteer community service each year, and NHS sponsors 2 highway clean-ups, adopts at least 2 families from the Holiday Angels program (they donated over 100 gifts and helped pay a family's heating bill this past Christmas), and they will be collecting food for a local food bank in the next week or two.

Important Dates...

- Mar 15 FAFSA Forms Due
- Mar 18 ½ day – Staff Development
- Mar 22 NHS Induction 3PM FAC
- Mar 24 Language Comp @ WCU
- Mar 24 YRBS Survey 2nd period
- Mar 25 09 Underclassmen Pictures
- Mar 28 2009-10 Cheerleading Tryouts 8AM-5PM Gym
- Apr 6 Begin Spring Break
- Apr 13 Return from Spring Brk
- Apr 18 Prom
- Apr 24 Workday
- May 6 Last PTO mtg for the yr
- May 21 Athletic Banquet
- May 25 Memorial Day Holiday
- May 28 Scholarship Night
- May 29 Sr. Class Day
- Jun 2 Sr. Night/ Projects
- Jun 10 Last Day of School
- Jun 12 Graduation
- Jul 7-18 Summer School
- Jul 15-17 Senior Pictures

KEEP INFORMED!

For daily announcements,
Guidance Department news, and
Links to FHS Athletics Page
(sports schedules)

Visit the official FHS Web Site:
www.franklinhigh.org

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Apple, Cherry, Cinnamon,
Cheese, Blueberry
Cream Cheese or Bavarian Crème
flavors.
Email lisa.welch@mcsk-12.org by
3/13 to order



STUDENT APPRECIATION

One of the projects undertaken by the PTO that not many parents are aware of is Student Appreciation. Sure, we know the scholars are recognized in National Honor Society; the athletes are recognized at the Athletic Banquet and by receiving insignias for their letter jackets. But not all of our students fall into those categories, yet so many of them deserve an "ataboy" for being exceptional in other ways. The PTO's Student Appreciation Program allows faculty and staff members to recognize young people for doing or being out of the ordinary in ways that benefit those around them. Teachers notify the PTO of a deserving student and the PTO sends a card of appreciation to the student, with a surprise gift enclosed, to acknowledge the thoughtfulness shown. (Of course, this takes time and effort and if you think you might be able to help, please contact Terri Stenger 369-5343 or Christina Sapp 369-6364.)

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JUNIORS

Guidance reminds you to be sure you are registered for the proper classes next year!

Watch for summer programs being posted, and for open houses at colleges you may be interested in so you can visit campuses.

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SENIORS

Continue to check for local scholarships which are now being posted. Watch the deadlines.

Those who are college bound should have applied to the school(s) of their choice by now. Check with Guidance if you have any questions.

What is YRBS Survey being conducted on March 24? It is the annual Youth Risky Behavior Survey conducted by Healthy Carolinians and the Health Department to help determine what direction our kids are headed in.

PARENT WORKSHOP ON SELF-ESTEEM AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Sponsored by Gear Up and Southwestern CC

For: Parents of children in 6th – 10th grade

Where: Macon Co. Public Library Meeting Room

When: April 4, 2009 from 10 AM to 11:30 AM

To sign up call Sherry Tilson at 524-3766 x 306 or email at stilson@southwesterncc.edu. Indicate on your email if you will need childcare and for which ages and how many adults are in your party. There will be activities at the library for your children.

PLEASE RESPOND BY MARCH 13, 2009



FHS INTERACT CLUB AND ART DEPARTMENT PRESENT EMPTY BOWLS

Art students are making bowls during pottery that are dinnerware quality and dishwasher safe. Several parents are making big batches of soup. The public is invited to select a handmade bowl and fill it with soup. The bowl is a reminder of the many empty bowls still in our world. Donations will be accepted for the soup and the empty bowls, to go towards feeding the hungry locally through Care Net and internationally in Haiti.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MARCH 27
AT TARTAN HALL 5-7 PM
TO ATTEND THIS REWARDING EVENT**

Contact Mrs. Lansford, Mrs. Haley or Taylor Boss at FHS for more information.

CREATIVE OPPORTUNITY still open

You too can be involved in the PTO using your creative talent to design and distribute this very PTO NEWSLETTER! One of our most important projects is this communication with parents. Now is your chance! I can show you how. Contact Terri



GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS



