



Franklin Public Schools

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Superintendent's Report to School Committee

February 8, 2022

High School Highlights

Second semester has started at Franklin High School. It is a new term and, for some, some new courses they may now be taking.

Seniors are submitting their official names for their diplomas.

Juniors are planning for the prom and sophomores and freshmen are planning for their banquets.

The Diversity Awareness Club recently posted an educational piece in the student newsletter to educate about Stereotypes.

Course selection is underway for underclassmen. They are meeting with their counselors over the next few weeks to discuss course selection.

Winter athletic teams are having excellent success with their games and matches.

Music events

Concert Hour recital – 2/8 at 6 PM and 2/10 at 7 PM FHS Auditorium

Musical Theatre Showcase – 2/16 at 7 PM

February 11, 2022 Professional Development Day Preview

Building-based professional development, but theme oriented, consistent with District Improvement and School Improvement goals.

ECDC – analysis of DECCA data on students' SEL growth and adjustment to practice

K-8 – analysis of mid-year NWEA MAP data and plans to adjust practice/interventions

9-12 – Continued professional development as course partners in developing a guaranteed and viable curriculum

School Counselors' Week

This week is National School Counselors' Week and we want to acknowledge the incredible hard work of our adjustment counselors, school psychologists, and guidance counselors.

School counselors are vital members of the education team and maximize student success. They help all students apply academic achievement strategies, manage emotions, and apply interpersonal skills; they also assist with planning for postsecondary options. They provide individual student academic planning and goal setting; school counseling lessons in the classroom, in small groups, and individually; provide short term and long term SEL interventions; and they collaborate with team members towards student success,

We know that counselors are critical for students' access to their education, which is why we have adjustment counselors, school psychologists, and guidance counselors on our staff. We are so appreciative of all that they do today and every day.

Special Author Visit to FPS Middle Schools

Ruta Sepetys selected Horace Mann Middle School for a special virtual visit to explore the hidden history of Romania highlighted in her new book "I Must Betray You", which is a historical thriller. This is her second virtual visit, she came 5 years ago for the All In reading program. Ms. Sepetys declined an honorarium and instead asked the community to buy books for Franklin students at a specific, small local book shop.

Students from ASMS and RMS were welcome to join and attended through assemblies from their schools.

Congratulations to Jeff Ambrosini

Congrats FHS Asst Coach Jeff Ambrosini on being named the Massachusetts Baseball Coaches' Association Asst Coach of the Year!

FHS Orientation

Planning is under way for the class of 2026 entering Franklin High School. The guidance department, HS administration, and department heads and directors hosted a webinar for students and families last week. The meeting was recorded and a presentation was sent out to families, as well. The webinar provided a wealth of information about scheduling courses for grade 9, planning high school academic trajectory, and provided suggestions on a successful transition.

Presentation:

https://us06web.zoom.us/rec/share/hs2en4AFoGvUJGkDI7QvKaD-oTb1-txcJnoFmfy76YVJI38fzICth768bofmMLwq.X1_15mDpd7U9crB (Passcode: !Eu&5m5f)

Powerpoint:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ysFSZguljUlcMOXGv7xd73fQ-ks5DOiVQ0xSojSPFeo/edit?usp=sharing>

Elementary Math Night



**VIRTUAL FAMILY
MATH NIGHT**

FEBRUARY 10TH, 2022 6-7 PM

**JOIN US TO LEARN MORE ABOUT
OUR NEW ELEMENTARY MATH
RESOURCE, ILLUSTRATIVE
MATHEMATICS.**

VIA ZOOM

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