

# Finn Hill Middle School Matters

January 15th, 2021  
Nineteenth Edition



Dr. Joseph Smith  
Principal, FHMS

**Dear Falcon Families,**

**As we begin to celebrate MLK Jr. Holiday, very little is known about Martin Luther King Jr. For example, Did you know that MLK Jr. 's birth name was Michael?**

**Did you know that King was such a gifted student that he skipped grades nine and 12 before enrolling in 1944 at Morehouse College, the alma mater of his father and maternal grandfather. Although he was the son, grandson and great-grandson of Baptist ministers, King did not intend to follow the family vocation until Morehouse president Benjamin E. Mays, a noted theologian, convinced him otherwise. King was ordained before graduating college with a degree in sociology.**

**Happy MLK Jr.**

## Where we're heading next

We now have the go-ahead from central office administration, to bring back students to in-person learning. While this is exciting, it is daunting. Nonetheless, FHMS will carefully begin this process by a transparent conversation with staff this Tuesday morning. We will continue to keep you aware of the process and seek your input along the way!

## Attendance Reminder:

Don't forget to contact the school office if your student is absent for any number of periods. You can report absences by calling the attendance line: 425-936-2341, or by emailing: [FinnHillMSAttend@lwsd.org](mailto:FinnHillMSAttend@lwsd.org).

During Falcon Time important school information is provided to students, including any schedule changes, or class registration information and students are still required to attend.

Please note that students are required to be on time and to stay till the end of class. Parents can check your student's attendance on skyward.

You can direct all attendance questions to the Attendance Specialist, Heidi Davidson at: [heid davidson@lwsd.org](mailto:heid davidson@lwsd.org).

## Finn Hill Middle School Weekly Schedule Link

### Upcoming Event:

IPCP Cultural Identity and Diversity Takeaway:  
<https://www.lwsd.org/fs/resource-manager/view/c6fb15e7-a3b2-4bc5-9813-2910bd33cdef>

Winter Donation Drive:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0545A9A92DAAFE3-gift>

## Content Library Links

You can visit each of these OneNote content libraries for grade level information and weekly overviews for core classes.

[6<sup>th</sup> Grade OneNote](#)

[7<sup>th</sup> Grade OneNote](#)

[8<sup>th</sup> Grade OneNote](#)

### Library News

"No-contact book check out is now available. Please follow the instructions Mr. Strong has posted on the library Teams page. All holds must be placed by Friday, pick-up can only occur on Mondays from 2 to 4 per district safety guidelines."

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## MESSAGE FROM FHMS PTSA

January 19- 7pm via TEAMS- FHMS PTSA General Membership Meeting with special guest, LWSd School Board Member, Cassandra Sage. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have questions to ask Ms. Sage, please email them by Monday 1/18 to [fhmsptsapresident@gmail.com](mailto:fhmsptsapresident@gmail.com)

Congratulations to two of the FHMS PTSA Reflections Art competition for advancing their entries to the state level. FHMS Student- Charlotte Thompson- Award of Excellence-Dance Choreography and Kamiakin Student- Abbie Hinnebusch- Outstanding Interpretation- Photography

If you have questions for either Ms. Sage or Dr. Smith please email [fhmsptsapresident@gmail.com](mailto:fhmsptsapresident@gmail.com) Meeting information: <https://tinyurl.com/yxhgsl5>

## IMPORTANT DATES

### January

18<sup>th</sup> – MLK Jr. Day Observance –No School

19<sup>th</sup> – FHMS YEARBOOK SALE

20<sup>th</sup> - Juice With Joseph

21<sup>st</sup> - Java With Joseph

- “Shout-Out” to Sandi Hill, Dan Decker, Daniela Morosan, and all staff and community members who helped a lost duck find its way home.
- “Shout-Out” to Katelyn, Luke, Siri, for supporting the in-person students and class
- “Shout-Out” to the FHMS Faculty and staff for supporting each other during the siege of the U.S. Capital
- “Shout-Out” to the FHMS Department leaders for revising the school’s Improvement Plan!
- “Shout-Out” to FHMS-PTSA for their tremendous support!

## Helpful Links

### FHMS - Counselor’s Link

[FHMS  
Counseling  
Corner  
01.15.2021.pdf](#)

### TSA (Technology Student Association):

<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1602257238/lwsd.org/siwehl29wqllefo2tcsq/TSAAnnouncement.pdf>

### G.L.O.W. Club Flyer (Gay, Lesbian, or

<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1602005563/lwsd.org/pvqlza7m2zuo zz8gohs0/GLOWP oster.pdf>

*Once again, we thank each of you for helping to make remote learning successful. Have a great weekend!*



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