The Firebird Screams

Ask not for whom the Firebid screams, he screams for you!" -Fred the Firebird

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<u>November Dates</u> <u>to Remember:</u>



Nov. 1 - Fall Make-Up Pictures (K-11) & Senior Portrait Nov. 1 - 3rd Grade Field Trip (Carey/Newcomb) Nov. 2 - 3rd Grade Field Trip (Easter/Fowler) Nov. 4 – Fall Festival Nov. 7 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm Nov. 8 - CCRAA 10th Grade Nov. 9 – Progress Reports go home Nov. 9 - MS Dance, 6:00pm-8:00pm Nov. 10 - Holiday - Veteran's Day (observed) Nov. 13- PTA Board Meeting, 6:00pm Nov. 13 - PTA Committee Meeting, 7:00pm Nov. 15 - Athletics Booster Club Meeting, 6:00pm, HS Lobby Nov. 15 - preACT Nov. 17 - 1st Grade Field Trip -Marbles Nov. 21 - Board Meeting (if called), 6:30pm Nov. 22-24 - Holiday -Thanksgiving Break Nov. 28 - PAC Meeting, 6:00pm Nov. 29 - Blood Drive, 11:00am-4:00pm, HS Gym Nov. 30 - Fall Art/Music Expo, 4:30pm-5:30pm, HS Gym

Message from Mr. Johnson

Today is a great day to be a Firebird!

This month I would like to share that we are taking steps to renew our commitment to being a stronger Project Based Learning school. Since our inception, Falls Lake Academy has been designated as a Project Based Learning Charter School. This was written as part of our charter by our founding members and was also a large part of why we were approved to open in 2013. Our commitment to grow even stronger in this area shows that we remain true to our roots. This year we are making intentional efforts to have a daily dedication to this learning style and being committed to using it to learn the most we can. PBL is a learning style that sets us apart by allowing students to collaborate, problem solve, think for themselves, while having to take responsibility for their own learning. We believe in this learning style because our students will learn academics while developing soft skills that will carry them far at their next level. This year we have hired more staff and have invested in distinct training for more of our staff to lead us to the next level in project based learning. This learning style is most successful with parent participation and community involvement. We are looking for ways to engage with you and with our community partners. We are grateful for the support so far and looking forward to taking project based learning even higher.

Today is definitely a great day to be a Firebird!

Scheduled Board Meetings



Tuesday, November 7th @ 6:30pm Tuesday, November 21st (if called) @ 6:30pm

Reminders:



Friday, November 10th - Veteran's Day (observed)

Wednesday - Friday - November 22-24 -Thanksgiving Break

November 15th - preACT

Early Release Day for High School Students in 9th, 11th & 12th Grade Only! Dismissal at 11:15am

Senior Project: American Cross Blood Drive

Hi, my name is Caleb Hawkins, and I am a senior this year, meaning I have to complete my senior capstone project. I have chosen to do a blood drive for my project, and this will take place November 29 from 11am-4pm in the high school gym at Falls Lake Academy. Anybody that is willing to donate is welcome. Students 16-17 years old are eligible to donate, but there must be signed permission from a parent.

Thank you, Caleb Hawkins.

HOMECOMING DANCE

Tickets on sale October 16th *–* November 17th





Well that's all for this addition of the Screamer, until next time... -Fred the Firebird

