



Franklin Elementary

2212 N. Jarchow St. Appleton

Family Newsletter

January 2025

Dear Franklin Families,

The Franklin State Report Card has been released and we are celebrating and are excited to continue to partner with you in meeting our goals. One of the goals is to improve attendance. Did you know that a student missing a few days here and there can contribute to them falling behind in reading, writing, and math? Since attendance is a contributing factor to student success, after several absences, we may contact you in writing or over the phone to see if we can be of service to you. If we do contact you, please know, we understand that illness and unforeseen circumstances occur and Franklin staff is here to help in any way we can.

The Franklin State Report Card also includes academic growth and achievement goals that help guide us in providing the best possible instruction to students. We have much to be proud of, our action steps have proven to be successful and we look forward to continued growth in all academic areas. Over the past few years, Franklin Elementary has improved from being a two star school to a four star school; which is considered to be exceeding expectations. As always, Franklin staff is committed to the home-school partnership as well as student academic growth and achievement. If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Denise Tetzlaff, Principal

Important Dates

Jan. 2 School Resumes

Jan. 8 Gr. 3 Field Trip- Barlow Planetarium

Jan. 9 PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30 PM

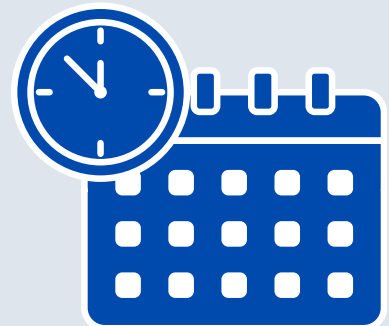
Jan. 11 AASD Charter School Fair 10:00-12:00 PM

Jan. 17 NO SCHOOL

Jan. 20 NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Jan. 23 Family Bingo Night 6:00-7:30 PM

Jan. 24 Gr. 2 Field Trip- History Museum at the Castle



How to Contact Franklin

Franklin Elementary School: (920) 852.5475

Denise Tetzlaff, Principal / Matt Schauer, Dean of Students / Misty Dorton, Secretary



Y-CARE Update

Due to an all-staff meeting,
there will be NO **AFTER** care on
January 9, 2025
We apologize for any inconvenience.

Thank you,
Y-Care Staff

Please direct questions to Venessa Siebers
vsiebers@ymcafoxcities.org
siebersvenessa@aasd.k12.wi.us

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Please check
the YMCA lost
and found.



Dean's Desk

Mr. Schauer

schauermatthew@aasd.k12.wi.us

920.852.5475 ext. 28021



Embrace the Every Day



Attendance

Please continue to encourage your child to come to school each day.

As a school, we have been averaging a little over **94%** of our students here each day.

We want to continue to have that percentage increase!

Expectations

Please continue to reiterate our **FIVE** Universal Expectations at home!

These include:

- Appropriate Voice Volume in ALL Settings
- Keep Hands and Feet to Self
- Keep Our School Community Safe and Clean
- Appropriate Language
- Be Your Best Self



Franklin Foxes

Faces in the Crowd



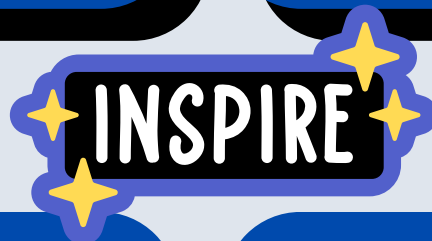
In an effort to recognize students who are going above and beyond, "Faces in the Crowd" has been established. Students are nominated by their classroom teacher, specialist teacher, or other staff members.



Mohammad has been doing a great job in the classroom! He has been following expectations each day!



Olivia has been a major help on safety patrol so far this year! Keep up the great work!



Oliver has done an excellent job of following school wide expectations here at Franklin! Keep up the great work Oliver.



Layken is a student who shows great manners and will always ask how you are doing!



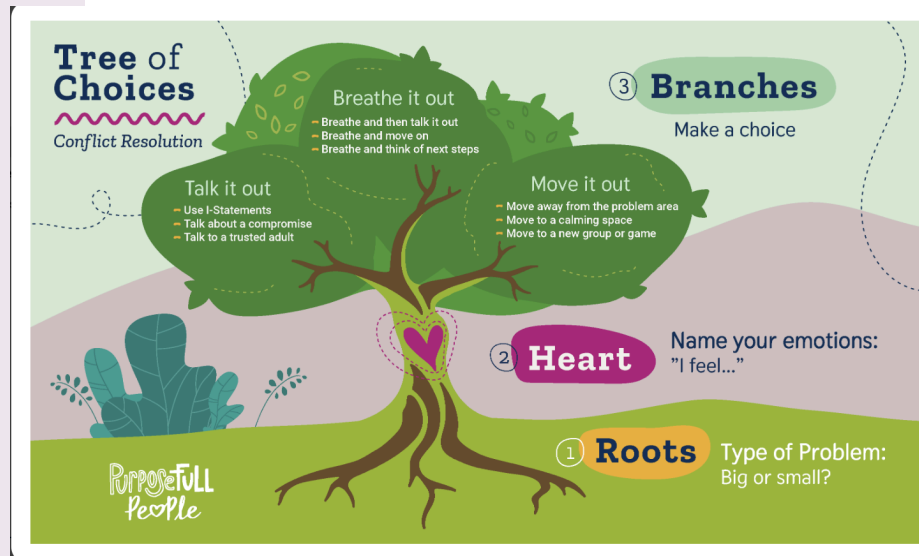
Counselor

CORNER

Empathy Overview

This month's focus is Empathy. One way to think about Empathy is "understanding and connecting with other people's feelings." Empathy is a practice that can help us grow strong relationships.

Empathy is 1 of 3 traits we will focus on throughout the year that helps students **Be Kind**. Across grade levels, students will be developing skills like perspective-taking, conflict resolution, and leadership.



Though conflict can be difficult, the good news is that we have choices to help guide us toward a solution.

Conversation Starters

Lessons in December focused on Empathy. January lessons will focus on perseverance and problem solving.



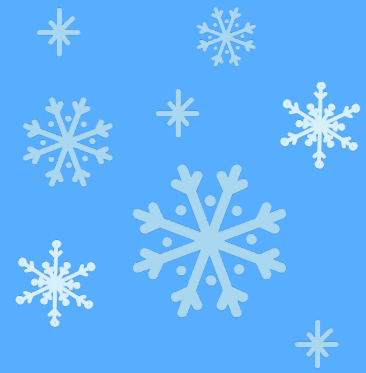
- What does Empathy look like to you?
- Is it hard for you to share how you feel with others? Why or why not?



PARENT TEACHER
ORGANIZATION

COMING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN

JANUARY 2025 PTO NEWSLETTER



UPDATES

- ✓ Thank you for your support in 2024! We wish you all a joyful Holiday Season and look forward to a wonderful 2025 at Franklin!!
- ✓ Please make it a resolution to set aside some time to join us at a meeting, we really do need your help. Your time is your most valuable contribution.



A PTO is only as good as those that support it.

COME TO A MEETING!!

Everyone is welcome!!

REMINDERS



Follow us on Facebook:
facebook.com/FranklinFoxesPTO

Download the Box Tops For Education app to earn cash for Franklin!!

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 9th

-PTO Meeting 6:30

January 14th

-Chipotle Fundraiser Night

January 23rd

-Family Bingo Night

February 6th

-Scholastic Book Fair

February 11th

-Scholastic Book Fair

If you have any questions contact us at: FranklinFoxesPTO@gmail.com



Winter

CLOTHING DRIVE



DECEMBER 11 2024 - FEBRUARY 28 2025

Appleton Area School District Winter Clothing Drive

We are collecting new winter items for AASD families in need

Collection Dates

December 11, 2024- February 28, 2025
between the hours of 9:00 am - 2:30 pm
**Donations are only accepted on days
when school is in session.*

Drop-Off Location

Welcome Center
Family and Community Engagement Office
2701 N Oneida Street,
Appleton WI

Items Needed

- Gloves
- Boots and Shoes
- Warm Hats and Headbands
- Coats and Jackets
- Snow Pants
- Warm/Heavy Duty Socks

**Please consider donating waterproof and warm items to ensure our students stay comfortable during the winter months*

Questions? Please contact: Julie Bargholtz at bargholtzjulie@aasd.k12.wi.us



INFINITE CAMPUS Instructions & Tips

Do you need help?

Do you need an activation key for your Infinite Campus account?

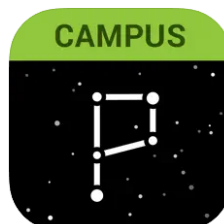
Please get in touch with your school or AASD Help Desk at

helpdesk@aad.k12.wi.us or (920) 852-5555.

Instructions

- [Submitting an Absence Request in Campus Parent](#)
- [Accessing Student Report Cards in Campus Parent](#)
- [Adding a Payment Method in Campus Parent](#)
- [Viewing and Paying Fees in Campus Parent](#)
- [Accessing Student Schedules Cards in Campus Parent/Campus Student](#)
- [Manage Your Contact Preferences](#)
- [Overview of the Campus Parent Portal](#)
- [Viewing and Adding Funds to Food Service Account](#)
- [Updating Personal Information in Campus Parent](#)
- [Food Service Tool: Adding Money to Meal Accounts](#)

Campus Parent Mobile App





WELCOME TO MEET MY MILESTONES

The Appleton Area School District is excited to offer Meet My Milestones, a free parent/child preschool intervention group designed for 3–4 year-old children in the year prior to 4K.

Recognizing that parents are their child's first and most important teachers, this program empowers families to engage in teacher-led activities that promote learning, build friendships, and develop essential school readiness skills.

Parents will gain valuable resources and work alongside their child to support developmental milestones in areas such as speaking, listening, thinking, social skills, and movement.

Parents must stay with their children and are encouraged to participate in the activities.

If you sign up, please plan to attend all 8 sessions, as spots are limited.

Session 1: January 7 – February 27

Session 2: March 4 – May 1

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Times: 8:45–10:00 AM or 10:30–11:45 AM

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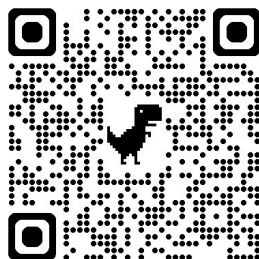
PROGRAM FEATURES :

- ✓ *Parent/Child Class for 3 year olds/8 week sessions*
- ✓ *learn about typical 3 year old milestones*
- ✓ *Help your child meet milestones through play*

ENROLL NOW

☎ *Scan QR Code*

☎ *or call 920-832-6109*





HEALTH SERVICES * P.O. Box 2019, Appleton, WI 54911 * 920-852-5344

HAND WASHING CAN SAVE LIVES!



Hand washing is one of the most important steps we can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs to others. Many diseases and illnesses are spread by not washing hands with soap and water. It is best to wash your hands with soap and clean running water for 20 seconds. Although soap and water are more effective at removing germs, alcohol-based hand rubs significantly reduce the number of germs on skin and are fast acting.

Per the CDC, handwashing:

- Reduces the number of people who get sick with diarrhea by 23-40%
- Reduces diarrhea illness in people with weakened immune systems by 58%
- Reduces respiratory illnesses, like colds, in the general population by 16-21%
- Reduces absenteeism due to gastrointestinal illness in school children by 29-57%

When washing hands with soap and water:

- Wet your hands with clean running water and apply soap. Use warm water if it is available.
- Rub hands together to make a lather and scrub all surfaces, making sure to clean in between fingers, thumbs, the back of your hand and your wrists
- Continue rubbing hands for 20 seconds. Need a timer? Imagine singing "Happy Birthday" twice to a friend!
- Rinse hands well under running water
- Dry your hands using a paper towel or air dryer. If possible, use your paper towel to turn off the faucet

Remember: If soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer to clean hands.

When using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer:

- Apply product to the palm of one hand
- Rub hands together
- Rub the product over all surfaces of hands and fingers until hands are dry.

When should you wash your hands?

- Before preparing or eating food
- After going to the bathroom
- After changing a diaper or cleaning up a child who has gone to the bathroom
- Before and after tending to someone who is sick
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After handling an animal or animal waste
- After handling garbage
- Anytime your hands are visibly dirty
- Before and after treating a cut or wound

Winter Weather and Recess at Franklin

Students have 2 recesses every day.

Snow pants and boots will be required to go on the wood chips and field when snow is on the ground.

Please make sure your child(ren) come to school ready for outside recess:

- Warm jacket
- Hat
- Gloves or mittens
- Snow pants
- Boots



If you need assistance getting any of these supplies, please reach out to your child's teacher.

FRANKLIN MUSIC EVENTS 24-25

Tuesday, February 18th **4TH AND 5TH
GRADE CONCERT**
2 PM AND 6 PM

Tuesday, March 11th **2ND AND 3RD
GRADE CONCERT**
2 PM AND 6 PM

Tuesday, April 29th **KINDERGARTEN AND
1ST GRADE CONCERT**
2 PM AND 6 PM

Monday, May 12th **FINE ARTS NIGHT**
**Featuring Band, Choir, and
Strings Students**
6 PM



All events are held in the
Franklin Gymnasium

Email Ms. Ryder (ryderjane@ascd.k12.wi.us) with any questions