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THE BORO BEAT

The Newsletter of Freehold Borough School District





Dear Families and Staff,

As October comes to a close, I want to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful learning and activity happening across our schools. From dynamic lessons in the classroom to the excitement of fall sports and student clubs, our students continue to shine in every arena. This month was filled with energy, creativity, and community spirit - a true reflection of what makes our district special. As we turn the page to November, we look forward to continued growth, gratitude, and opportunities to come together in learning and celebration.

~Mrs. Michael, Superintendent



Food Assistance Information and Links

New Jersey Basic Needs Information Hub: Get Food This Week





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Important Dates

November 3rd: Board of Education Meeting

November 4th: Election Day

November 6th & 7th: NJEA Convention - Schools Closed

November 11th: Veterans' Day

November 12th - 14th: Conferences (Early Dismissal)

November 17th: Board of Education Meeting

November 26th: Early Dismissal

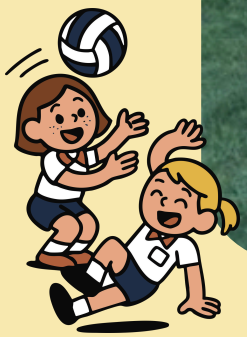
November 27th & 28th: Thanksgiving Break

Fall Sports

Another winter sports season has wrapped up for our Lions. All students on the field hockey, soccer, and cross country teams performed very well. Great job, Lions!







Season Highlights

- **Angel Ramirez won a medal at the Cross Country Meet of Champs**
- **Nora Santonacita and Emma Jae Cammarata were selected to play in the Field Hockey All-Star game**
- **The boys' soccer team advanced to the finals again this year**



Lady LIONS













Students of the Month



FIS Students of the Month





PAE Students of the Month







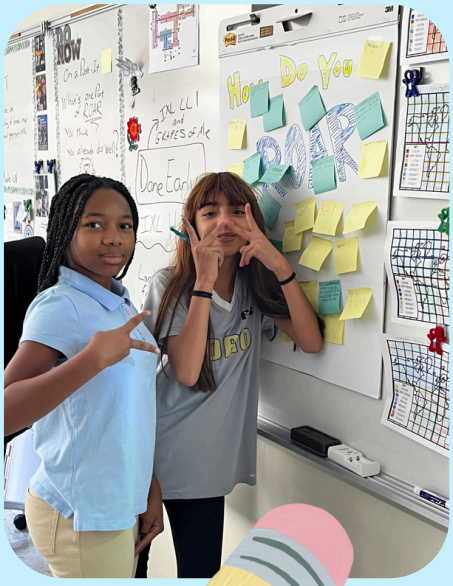


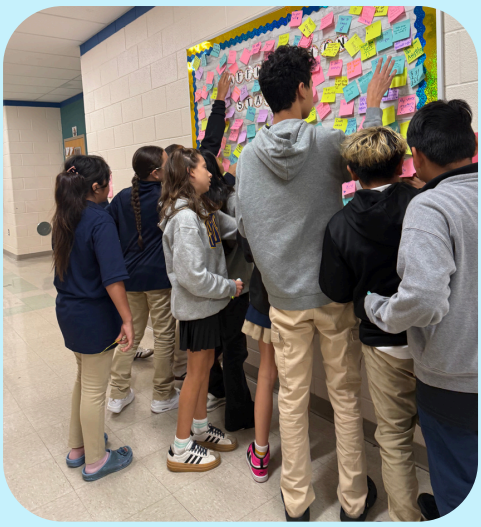
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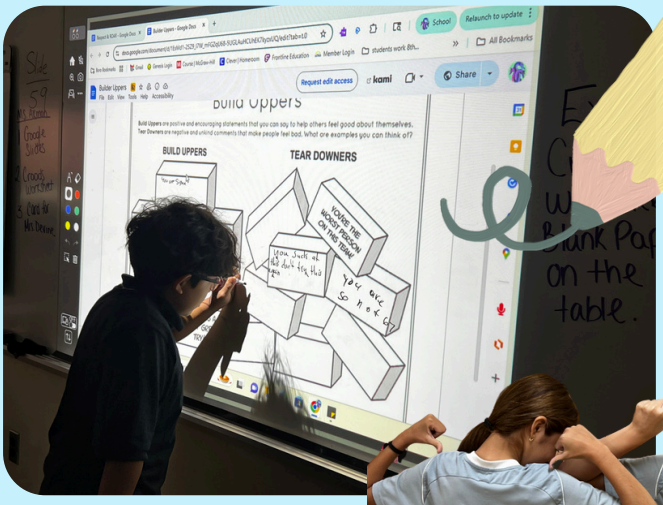


All Around FIS



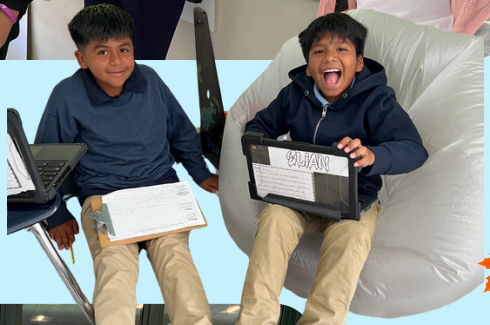










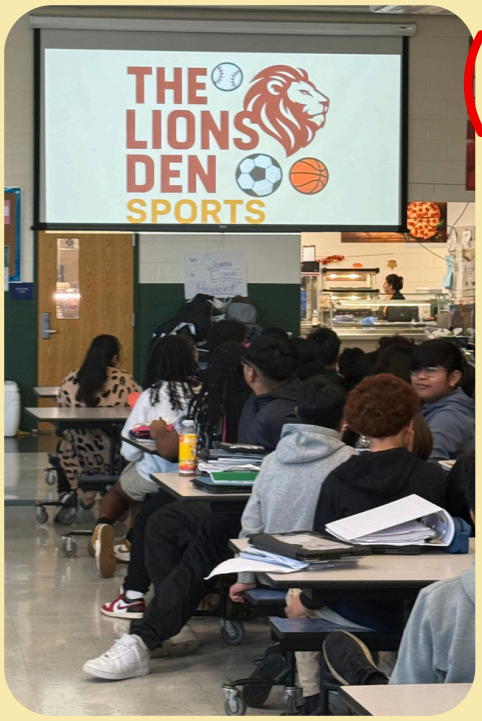




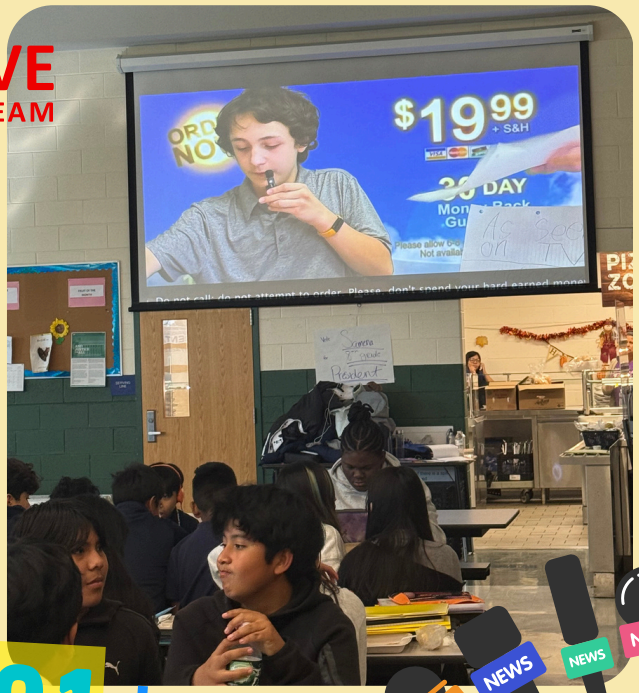


Student Activities

FIS students watch the News Broadcast during lunch

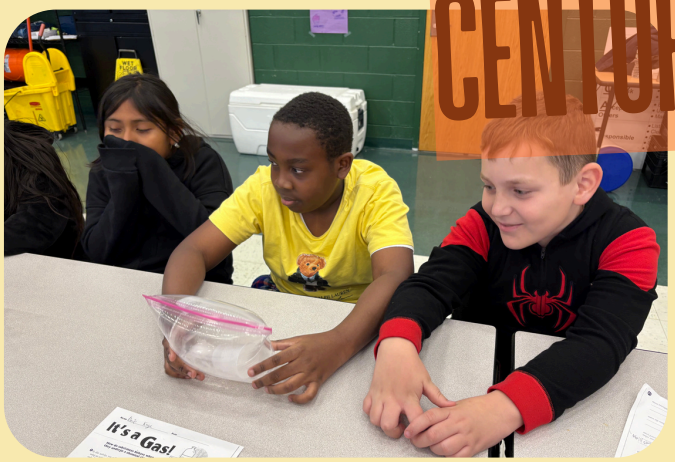


LIVE STREAM





21st CENTURY PROGRAM



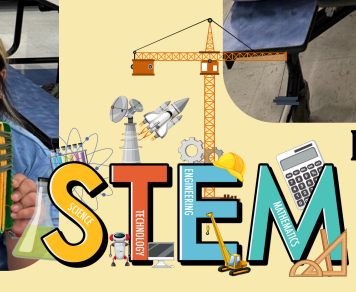
Sandwich Bag Science



Loom Weaving



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October Theme Week







KINDNESS Rocks





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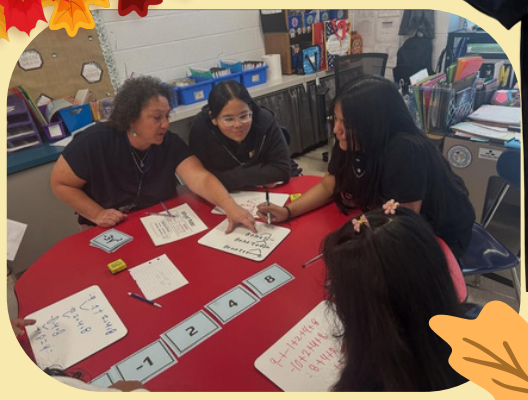




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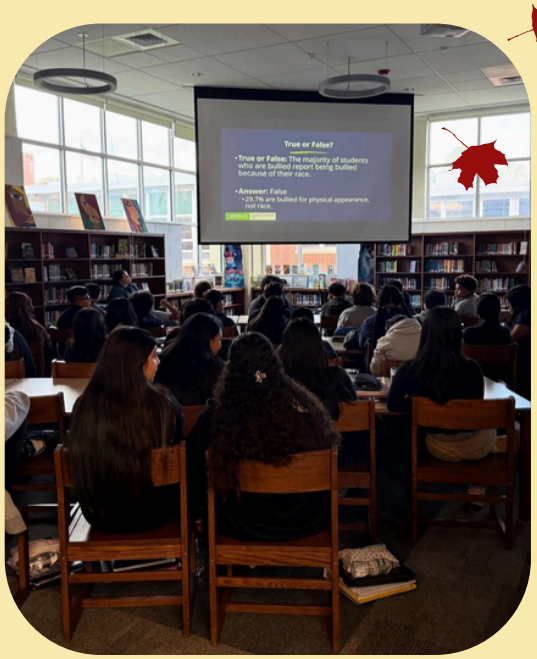


ROAR activity



7th grade math activty





FIS students learn more about bullying



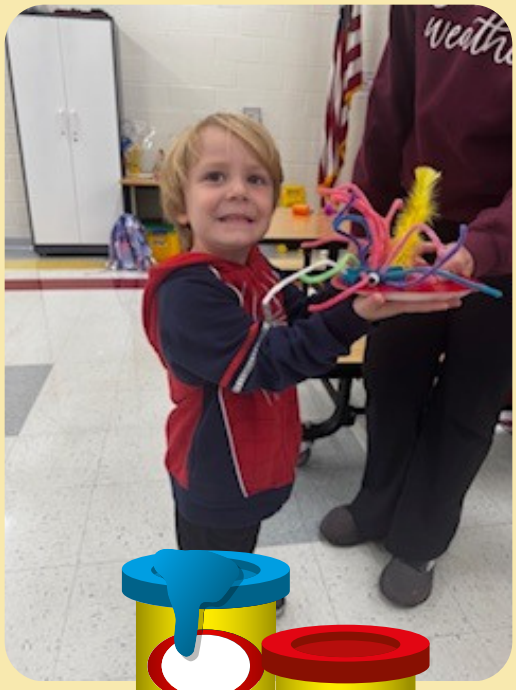
Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month

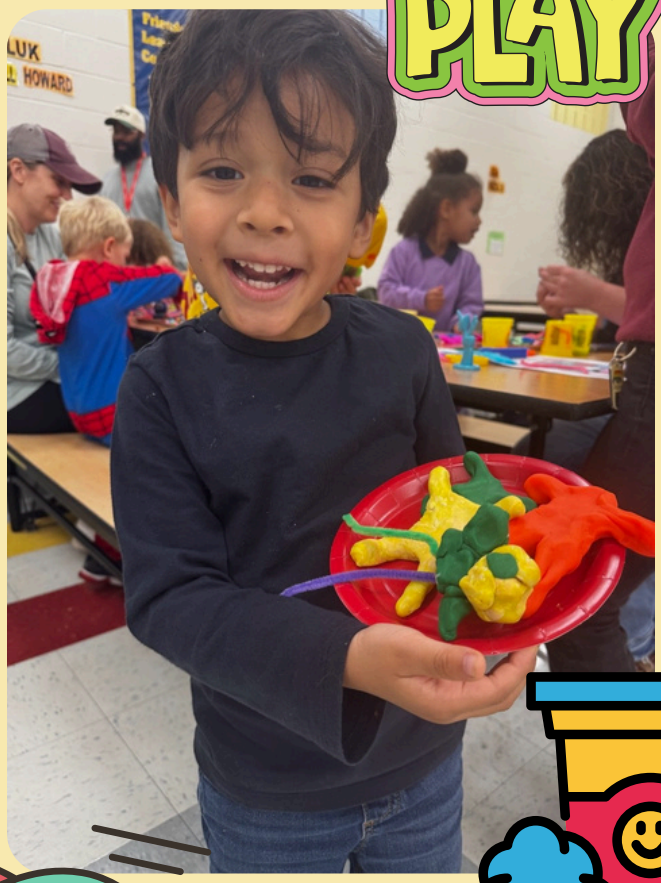




Dr. Mykee Fowlin inspires FIS students

PreK Play-Doh Party







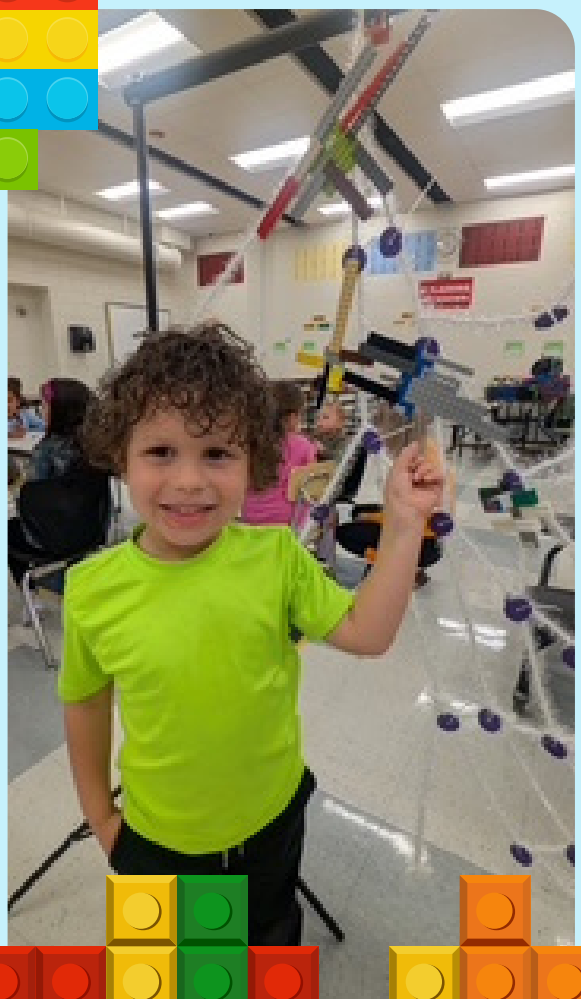


LEGO Club









FLC students enjoyed October's Cape Ceremony!







SUPER









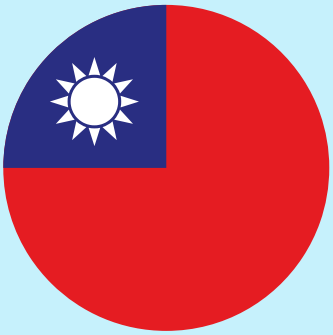


New Taipei Educator Tour

Our district maintains a sister-school partnership with the New Taipei City Education Department, a relationship that fosters international collaboration and cultural exchange. This month, 16 educators came to visit our district. You can read all about it HERE.



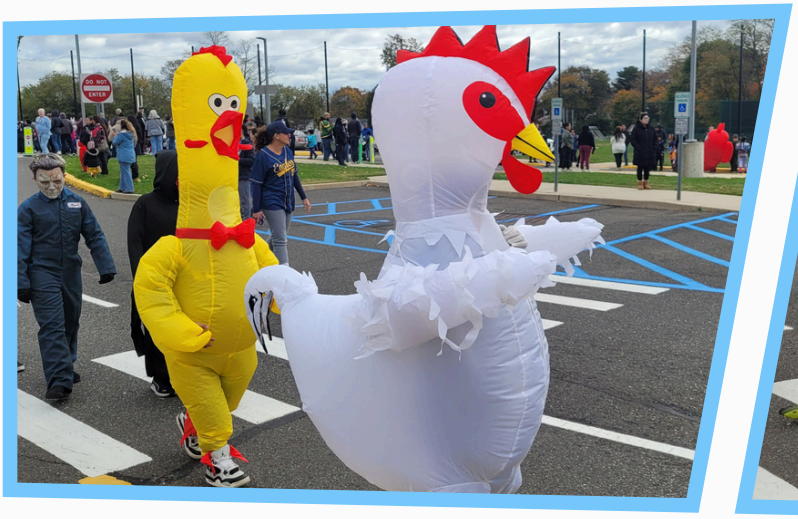








It was a boo-tiful day in the Boro!

















Our students celebrate Halloween with parades at FLC & PAE and a FIS Halloween dance!

MORE HALLOWEEN FUN



















...AND EVEN MORE FUN!













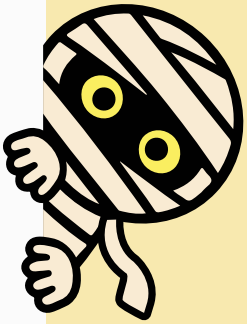




TEAM PHOTOS!















Upcoming Events

Welcome November

ML PARENT ACADEMIES



January 22nd

March 19th

June 4th

PARK AVENUE ELEMENTARY

November 3rd-5th: NJSLA Field Test (4th & 5th grade)

November 21st: PTO Talent Show

FREEHOLD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

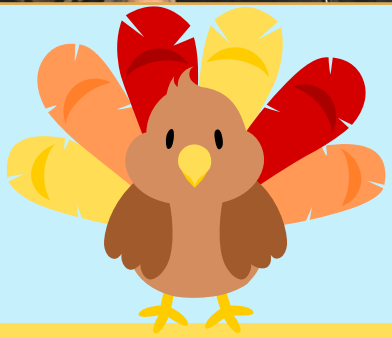
November 3rd - 5th: Spirit Week

November 4th: After-school homework help begins



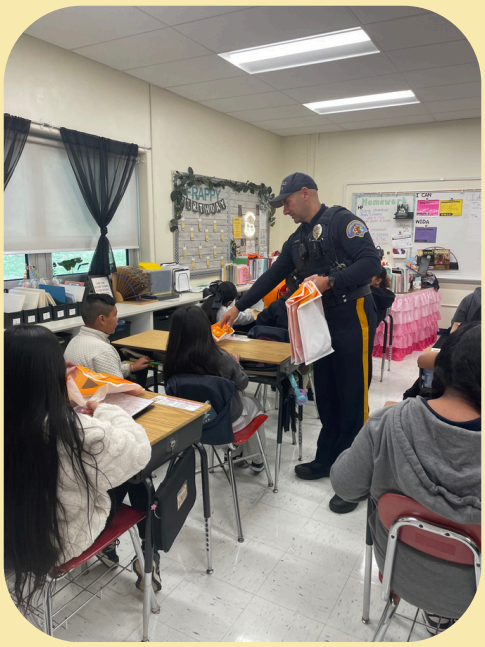










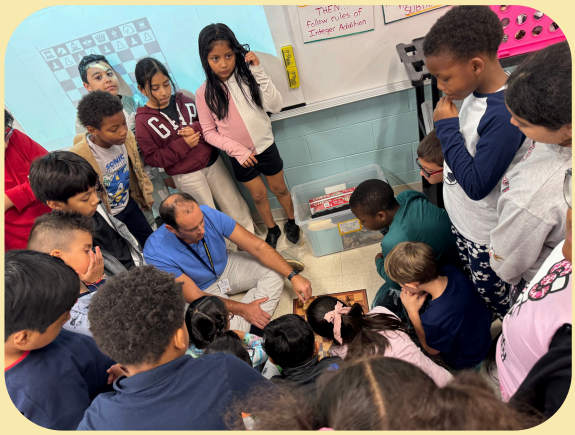




5th graders learn about Halloween safety from Boro Police officers







21st Century students learn how to play chess

Save the Dates

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for:
November 12th & 13th - 6:00-8:00 pm (all schools)
November 14th - 12:50-2:35 pm (FIS),
1:35-3:20 pm (PAE), 1:55-3:35 pm (FLC)

Parents must schedule their conference(s) by November 10th (FIS) & November 7th (FLC & PAE) through the Genesis Parent-Teacher Conference scheduling feature (for instructions, click HERE). To access the Parent Portal, click HERE.



November School Appreciation Days



- November 3rd - 7th - School Psychologist Week
- November 8th - National STEM/STEAM Day
- November 11th - Veterans Day
- November 13th - World Kindness Day
- November 17th - 21st - American Education Week
- November 19th - Education Support Professionals Day
- November 21st - Substitute Professionals Day

DON'T FORGET

Fall Back

TURN YOUR CLOCK BACK 1 HOUR ON SUNDAY, NOV. 1ST @ 2 AM



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Opportunities

Community Events:

Please check out our Community Messages Board on our website to learn about events and resources in our community. This page is updated regularly. Click **HERE** to access it.

IMPORTANT

This newsletter is supplemental to the information sent from your child's school on Friday. Please be sure to continue to look for those emails as well.

PTO HAPPENINGS

2025 FLC Fall Book Fair Schedule					
TIME	Monday 11/10	Tuesday 11/11	Wednesday 11/12	Thursday 11/13	Friday 11/14
9:30-9:50	Flannery-Moore	Vurro	Korber/Ong	Dilworth	Lazaro
10:00-10:20	Habib	Alvarez	Torres	Della Franco	Fiori/Newcomer
10:25-10:45	Simone	Gallinot/Hanenberg	Stewart/Wolff		Siluk
10:50-11:10	Profaca	Digeronimo	Costleigh	Scanniello	Traynor
11:15-11:35	Parseghian	Becerra/Felibrico	Howard	Pena	
11:40-12:00	Sanchez		Ali		Last Call
12:05-12:25		Guarino			
12:30-12:50	McNally	O'Donnell			
1:00-1:20	Boodey	Santomarco			
1:25-1:45	Ortiz	Mazzara			
1:50-2:10	Richardella	Rosas			
2:15 -2:30	Vazzana	Little			

Come to our

SCHOLASTIC

BOOK FAIR

Scan the QR Code to to help for a session!



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Grand Opening
November 5th

NEW!!

FREEHOLD LEARNING CENTER
TIGER STORE

PRICELIST

ITEMS MUST BE KEPT IN BACKPACKS AND OPENED AT HOME.
LOS ARTICULOS DEBEN GUARDARSE EN MOCHILAS Y ABRIRSE EN CASA.

SCENTED NOTEBOOK	$2
FURRY RAINBOW NOTEBOOK	$4
SILLY ERASERS	$1-$2
STACKABLE CRAYON	$1
PENCILS	$1-$2
GEL PEN	$2
INVISIBLE INK PEN	$2
KEYCHAINS	$2-$3
SQUISHIE TOYS	$1-$4
SLAP BRACELETS	$1
GALAXY SLIME/JEWEL PUTTY	$1-$3
SCENTED BOOKMARKS	$1

THE SCHOOL STORE IS OPEN TO GRADES K-2, ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH. STUDENTS SHOP DURING LUNCH. CASH ONLY- NO RETURNS.

LA TIENDA ESCOLAR ESTÁ ABIERTA PARA LOS ALUMNOS DE KINDER A SEGUNDO GRADO, EL PRIMER MIÉRCOLES DE CADA MES. LOS ESTUDIANTES COMPRAN DURANTE EL ALMUERZO. SOLO EFECTIVO. NO SE ACEPTAN DEVOLUCIONES.

Community Connections

Stronger Together: A Community Night on Healthy Relationships



Join the Freehold Area Health Department & 180 Turning Lives Around for a Healthy Relationships workshop in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, recognized in Oct.

- Understand your rights & available resources
- Learn skills to set boundaries and practice healthy communication
- Connect with local resources

Make it a family night! Appropriate for kids 13+

WED, NOV. 19
5:30PM- 7:30PM

FREEHOLD PUBLIC LIBRARY
28½ EAST MAIN STREET
FREEHOLD, NJ 07728

Scan the QR code to save your seat!

180 Turning Lives Around

FREEHOLD AREA HEALTH DEPARTMENT
Working Hard to Keep You Healthy

Walk-ins welcome!
Email emccreesh@twp.freehold.nj.us with any questions

Community Connections

NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS TO HEALTH

fulfill HUNGER WON'T WIN HERE

Mobile Pantry - November 2025

****Please note the schedule change as per upcoming holiday****

2nd Wednesday - November 12th 2:00pm
@ Freehold Family Health Center Parking Lot
597 Park Avenue, Freehold, NJ 07728

****3rd Friday - November 21st 1:30pm****
@ St. Rose of Lima Parking Lot
16 Mc Lean Street, Freehold, NJ 07728

If you are in need of groceries, all items are offered for free! No ID required.
Please bring your own bags.







IMPORTANT GUIDELINES:

This pantry is first come, first serve. Items vary week-to-week, but may include canned/boxed goods, bread, dairy, meat, and produce. **Our goal is to serve everyone who attends the pantry**. Please help us by respecting these guidelines:

1. **If it is difficult for you to access the pantry due to disability or other reason, please contact the NCTH team so that we can support you (contact below).**
2. **We do NOT permit reserving a spot in line for yourself, friends and family.**
3. **COVID-19 Safety Guidelines:** please follow CDC guidelines for masking and if you or someone in your home is sick, please stay home.

If you have any questions, please call Carly Trill at 908-692-7338 (English) or Karen Ubeda at 732-547-7274 (Spanish).





NJ FAMILIES

Ways to Still Get Food Assistance When SNAP Benefits are Stopped on November 1, 2025 by the Federal Government Shutdown:

1 **Have your child make the most of free school meals during the week.**
All children in families receiving benefits from NJ SNAP are automatically eligible to receive free school meals – they do not need to fill out an application. They simply need to go to the school cafeteria for lunch as usual. If your school also serves breakfast, that is another free school meal for your student. Students who do not currently receive free school meals should contact their school district to complete an application. To learn more about the program, visit this link.

2 **Use NJ 2-1-1 to locate food pantries in your area.**
A number of pantries offer fresh produce in addition to stable, non-perishable foods, shopping appointments, and information about additional services that can be beneficial. Scan the code at right to go to the NJ 2-1-1 website, or dial 2-1-1, or text your zip code to 898-211 for help.

Office of the
Food Security Advocate

IMPORTANT UPDATE

IF YOU GET SNAP FOOD ASSISTANCE BENEFITS

NJ SNAP food assistance

NOV 2025

New Jersey was notified by the federal government that if the shutdown continues, November 2025 SNAP benefits will not be available on November 1.

SNAP benefits loaded on your Families First EBT card prior to October 31, 2025 will be available for you to use after November 1, 2025. Before going to the grocery store after November 1, we encourage SNAP food assistance recipients to check their account at **NJFamiliesFirst.com** or by calling **800 997-3333**. If there are SNAP benefits in your NJ FamiliesFirst account, they are available for you to use.

Please note, you may receive eligibility notices and your MyNJHelps case summary may show that you are eligible for November benefits. Even though you may receive an eligibility notice and the benefits show in your case summary, if the federal shutdown continues, November 2025 SNAP benefits will not be posted to your Families First EBT card on time.

Because November SNAP benefits are not available as a result of a federal shutdown, fair hearings will not be scheduled for this issue.

SNAP applications and recertifications will be processed. Continue to submit requested information to ensure you get your benefits when federal SNAP funding becomes available.

Visit NJSNAP.gov

State of New Jersey
Phil Murphy, Governor | Tahesha L. Way, Lt. Governor

Department of Human Services
Sarah Adelman, Commissioner

NJ SNAP food assistance