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SCOTTIE SCOOP

FEBRUARY
6, 2026

UPCOMING DATES

- FEB 9 2:45-4:15pm = FES/FMS Musical Rehear. (K8 MPR)
- FEB 10 2:45-4:00pm = 4th Math is Cool (Comm. Clsrm.)
- FEB 11 2:45-4:00pm = 5th Math is Cool (FES Lrg. Conf.)
2:45-4:00pm = Girl Scouts (Comm. Clsrm.)
2:45-4:15pm = FES/FMS Musical Rehear. (K8 MPR)
5:30-6:30pm = PTSG Meeting (Comm. Clsrm.)
- FEB 12 2:45-4:00pm = Chess Club (Comm. Clsrm.)
- FEB 13 2nd Grade President's Wax Museum (FES Gym)
- FEB 16 Happy President's Day (NO SCHOOL)
- FEB 17 2:45-4:00pm = 4th Math is Cool (Comm. Clsrm.)
- FEB 18 2:45-4:00pm = 5th Math is Cool (FES Lrg. Conf.)
2:45-4:00pm = Girl Scouts (Comm. Clsrm.)
4:15-5:30pm = FES/FMS Musical Rehear. (K8 MPR)
- FEB 19 2:45-4:00pm = Chess Club (Comm. Clsrm.)
6:00-8:00pm = FSD Board Meeting (PRTC)
- FEB 20 5:30-7:30pm = PTSG Family Glow Dance (FES Gym)

2026-2027 NEW ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year will open for Transition to Kindergarten (TTK), Kindergarten and New Students on March 1st. Please note, Transition to Kindergarten students must be 4 on August 31, 2026 or earlier and Kindergarten students must be 5 on August 31, 2026 or earlier. Please see flyer for TTK and Kindergarten Roundup details.

FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
TTK & KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP!
APRIL 23
1:00 - 6:00PM
Call to Schedule Your Appointment!
509-291-4791

FAMILY GLOW Dance
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 20TH
5:30-7:30
SUGGESTED
\$10 PER FAMILY
FOOD FOR SALE
FREEMAN ELEMENTARY GYM

2ND GRADE PRESIDENT'S WAX MUSEUM!
Please join us for this fun annual event!
Friday, February 13th in the FES Gym
9:00-9:20am = Mrs. Cochrane's class
9:30-9:50am = Ms. Nelson's Class
10:00-10:20am = Mr. Reed's class

- Allow time before your student's class presentation to get checked in with your Driver's License.
- At the end of each classes' presentation (whether you are staying for the next class or not) please exit the gym.
- We ask that parents are only in the gym during the above listed times, otherwise, please wait in the foyer outside the gym. This allows space for the classes to transition in and out.
- Please refer to the letter from your 2nd grade teacher for more information.

FEBRUARY 4TH LATE START PD DAY

This week, during our late start, the Freeman Elementary staff took time to explore the updated Washington State Math Standards. As we look ahead to an upcoming math curriculum adoption, building a shared understanding of the new skills and learning approaches is an important step. This work helps ensure our teachers are well prepared with the tools, knowledge, and resources needed to support every student in developing a strong and successful math experience.



On Wednesday morning, our paraeducators had training about student diversity and identity so they can better support all students at Freeman. This training helps adults create a school-wide sense of belonging- where every child feels respected, safe, and included. When students feel accepted and understood, they are more comfortable learning and doing their best at school.



LIBRARY UPDATE

The library online circulation software has been having issues and we appreciate your patience while we sort it out. Going forward, no late fees will be charged for students in grades TTK-5th. We are offering fine forgiveness for any late fees you may see on your child's account. If you have any questions or concerns about checkout, fines for damaged or missing books, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Chaddock directly. Thank you for your support!

schaddock@freemansd.org



MAT DAWGS REGISTRATION

It is not too late to sign up for Mat Dawgs. Registration deadline is Feb. 8th. See the attached registration form and sign up! Please send form straight to the e-mail address below as the registration deadline is Sunday. Please contact Coach Crow or Coach Kegley at freemanmatdawgs@gmail.com.

HEART GRAMS ARE HERE!

2 OF 4



Heart Grams Are Here! Valentine's Day is right around the corner, and it's time to show your friends, teachers, or even that cool person you sit next to in class that you appreciate them. Starting this week, we're launching our Heart Grams fundraiser!

When: This Monday through Thursday.

Where: During all TTK - 8th grade lunch periods.

Price: Just \$0.25 per gram (yep, only a quarter!) Each Heart Gram Comes with a Tootsie Roll.

The Cause: 100% of the funds raised will be donated to Shriners Children's Hospital, helping kids get the specialized care they need.

Why: Not only do you get to brighten up a friend's afternoon, but you're also supporting a fantastic organization.

Whether it's an inside joke or a simple "thanks for being awesome," a little goes a long way. So, dig through your backpacks for some spare change and come find our table at lunch. Let's see how much we can raise for Shriners!

SCOTTIE GEAR YEAR AROUND

The PTSG has opened an online store where you can purchase Freeman Gear all year long. The company is called BCI Creative. Check it out! The link is below and a flyer is attached!

[PTSG Online Store](#)

SPOKANE CHIEFS TICKETS

Click on the link below to purchase tickets for the upcoming Spokane Chiefs School Night Hockey Game on Friday, February 20th! First 2000 kids (12 and under) get a free Zipper Pull! A portion of the Freeman ticket sales comes back to the school!

[Spokane Chiefs Tickets LINK](#)



<p>ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST: \$2.20 ADULTS: \$3.20</p>	9	Mini Cinni ----- Cereal & Goldfish Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	10	Dutch Waffle ----- Cereal & Goldfish Juice Variety ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk	11	Cocoa Bread ----- Cereal & Goldfish ----- Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	12	Egg McFreeman ----- Cereal & Goldfish ----- Juice Variety Chocolate Milk White Milk	13	Cinnamon Roll w/Icing ----- Cereal & Goldfish ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk
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<p>ELEMENTARY LUNCH: \$3.60 ADULTS: \$5.00</p>	9	Assorted Pizza ----- Alternate Lunch ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk	10	Macaroni & Cheese Bread Sticks ----- Alternate Lunch ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk	11	Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Dinner Roll WG ----- Alternate Lunch ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk	12	Nachos w/Ground Beef ----- Alternate Lunch ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk	13	Chicken Burger ----- Alternate Lunch ----- Chocolate Milk White Milk
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Please click on this [MENU LINK](#) if you would like to see full menus from our website.



Just a reminder: Please do not pack any caffeinated or energy drinks in your students' lunch.



COUNSELING CORNER

with School Counselor
 Kayleen Archibald
 karchibald@freemansd.org

Being a Good Friend

What makes a good friend? A good friend is kind, listens, and shares. They also stand up for others and make sure everyone feels included. Teach your child that being a good friend is one of the most important things they can do.

Try This: Have a conversation with your child about what a good friend looks like. Ask them to name three qualities they look for in a friend.

FEBRUARY-AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

February is African American History Month. Each week please check out these fun facts! Starting off with these cool people doing cool things!

- The Super Soaker was invented by Lonnie Johnson.
- Madam C.J. Walker was one of the first self-made female millionaires.
- Mae Jemison was the first African American woman in space.
- Garrett Morgan invented the traffic light.

National School Counseling WEEK

FEBRUARY 02 - 06

Kayleen Archibald



K-8 Counselor

Heidi Youseph



HS CTE Counselor

Kaela Holm



HS Counselor

National School Counseling Week is dedicated to recognizing the significant contributions of school counselors in the U.S. education system and their impact on students' academic and personal development. Thank you to all of our amazing counselors including our 2 interns Anna Waddell and Bethany Bowden.



EXTRA ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES!

- See attached flyers for more information!
- *Mat Dawgs Registration
 - *PTSG Family Glow Dance
 - *Spokane Chiefs School Night
 - *VFW Art Competition (K-5th)
 - *Care Solace Flyer



FSD TECHNOLOGY NEWS

October, 2024

Dear Parent / Guardian,

As part of our commitment to your child's online safety, we want to let you know about an important update. Freeman School District has partnered with Qustodio, the world's leading provider of online safety solutions.

As devices play an increasing role in children's education it is crucial that we put safeguards in place. Your child already benefits from internet filtering technology which blocks inappropriate web content on their school-owned Chromebook. This is also mandated by US legislation.

Freeman School District is going one step further. We are granting every parent a free Qustodio Parental App account. Qustodio will give you important insights into your child's online activity on their school Chromebook. You can use it to review and manage activities on other devices in your home too.

With Qustodio, you'll be able to:

- Manage your child's screen time
- Supervise your child's online activity
- Access expert advice via [Freeman School Districts Online Safety Hub](#)

Qustodio is a valuable partner that prioritizes privacy, safety and rights of students and parents worldwide.

Activate Your Free Account

On the following page, you will find simple instructions to register your account. Please be sure to use the same email address we have on file for you when registering to connect to your child's device.

We are excited to work with you and Qustodio to help our students develop healthy and safe online habits. Please visit [Freeman School District's Online Safety Hub](#) for more information about Qustodio, access to expert advice and additional resources.

Freeman does not provide support for Qustodio; instead, Qustodio offers support for their own product. Please email inquiries to: myschool@qustodio.com

Freeman School District
Information Technology

myschool@qustodio.com

<https://freemansd.onlinesafetyhub.io>

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Opt-In from
your mobile
now!



Just send "Y"
or "Yes" to
67587.

Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes: SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers.

If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

*Terms and Conditions: Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See

FMS AND FHS NEWSLETTERS

Want to find out what's going on in the Middle School and/or High school? Check out their weekly newsletters as well!

[Freeman Middle Scoop](#)
[FHS Friday Flyer](#)



FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
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WE ARE LAUNCHING DISTRICT-WIDE SURVEYS
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS (CEE).

Who is participating, and when?

- Staff, October 17-29, 2025
- Students, October 20-29, 2025
- Families, Winter-2026

Why are we doing this?

Your feedback helps us:

- Strengthen our Strategic Plan
- Guide Professional Development for educators
- Shape the supports and resources we provide across the district

How does it work?

Surveys are confidential and take just a few minutes.

Family links will be shared by email and available on the district website.



The Center for Educational Effectiveness

SUCCESS WITHOUT FEEDBACK
IS AN ACCIDENT.

Linewize | Qustodio

TEAMWORK MADE EASY

App for Parents & Families

Technology makes a direct impact on children, their families, and their learning environment. For children to learn and grow as digital citizens in our increasingly connected world, we must first lay out the foundations of online safety, digital literacy, and wellbeing.

Through our school district's partnership with Linewize, our online safety and wellbeing provider, we are able to extend visibility and safeguarding controls on to parents and guardians.

Visibility on student activity and device insights

Security coverage for in and out-of-school hours

Expert advice and guidance on digital threats and trends

Pause button to regulate digital activity

Parents and guardians can also extend protection to personal devices with family-focused digital wellbeing features that adapt to different needs as their child grows:

- Filter and block feature for content and apps
- Location tracking and panic button feature
- Visibility on browsing history, social media, and screen time
- Calls & messages tracking to monitor suspicious activity
- Time limits and screen-free schedules
- Tailored reports and alerts for inappropriate content

Works on the following devices: Windows, Mac, Chromebook, Android, iPhone/iPad, Kindle

Multi-parent access and management available

Qustodio is COPPA compliant and does not share personal data with third parties.



How to get started

1. Scan the QR code or visit qustodio.com/my-school
2. Create your account using the email address your school has on file
3. Get real-time visibility

For any queries, contact us at myschool@qustodio.com

Freeman Mat Dawgs Wrestling Sign Up (Ages 5-14)

Wrestler Name (First & Last): _____

Age (by 1/1/26): _____

Date of Birth:(month, day, year) _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Emergency Contact (Name & Number): _____

Any Allergies/ Medical Conditions:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

T-Shirt Size: Please circle one

Youth small

Youth medium

Youth large

Youth X-large

Adult small

Bring \$50 Cash or Check payable to Freeman Mat Dawgs on 01/27/26 at 6:30 in K8 MPR

\$20 USA Wrestling card also required

Donation for scholarships and/or singlets: \$ _____

Questions? Contact Coach Crow or Coach Kegley at freemanmatdawgs@gmail.com

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See More Options online / HOW TO ORDER
go to: www.bcicreative.com/Freeman

ORDERS ARE PROCESSED MONTHLY THE 1ST AND 15TH OF EACH MONTH.

If the 1st or 15th falls on a weekend, orders will be processed the following Monday. Orders will be decorated, packaged and ship between the 20th and 30th of each month depending on your order date. USPS postage fees apply to all shipments. *A portion of each sale benefits Freeman PTSG..*

Credit Card payment will appear on your statement from BCi Creative

Questions?? Please email: kim@bcicreative.com or call 465-9775

In order to ensure speed of delivery and avoid delays, BCi Creative reserves the right to substitute equivalent product in the event of supplier shortages. Please see fulfillment details in the Welcome info on the site.



VFW Auxiliary National Art Contest

Illustrating America

2025-2026

VFW Auxiliary National is pleased to present this national art contest to introduce, encourage and recognize young artists with patriotism through art. Entries will be judged on patriotic themes and technique.

VFW Auxiliary National Level Awards

Grades K-2

First place: \$100 gift card
Second place: \$50 gift card
Third place: \$25 gift card

Grades 3-5

First place: \$100 gift card
Second place: \$50 gift card
Third place: \$25 gift card

Grades 6-8

First place: \$100 gift card
Second place: \$50 gift card
Third place: \$25 gift card

Contest Eligibility

- Students do not have to be related to a VFW or VFW Auxiliary member to participate
- Students in grades K-8 by March 31 deadline who are enrolled in a public, private, parochial or home school program in the United States, its territories and possessions, or dependents of U.S. military or civilian personnel in overseas schools.
- Although U.S. citizenship is not required, students must be lawful U.S. permanent residents or have applied for permanent resident (the application for which has not been denied) and intends to become a U.S. citizen.
- Foreign exchange students, students aged 15 or older are **not** eligible.
- Previous winners of VFW Auxiliary National Illustrating America Art Contests are **not** eligible for the same grade division of which they are a previous national winner. However, the students may enter the subsequent grade division.

Contest Rules

- Entry must be completed during the current school year.
- Entry must be two dimensional.
- Entry must be on canvas or paper.
- Canvas entries must be submitted on a stretcher frame or canvas board.
- Paper entries must be reinforced with heavy paper.
- Do **not** frame art with wood, metal, plastic or glass.
- Mats may be used, including mounted and floating mats.
- Entries may **not** be smaller than 8"x10" and **not** larger than 18"x24" **including** mat.
- Acrylic, chalk, crayon, ink, marker, pastel, pen, pencil, tempera, watercolor, glitter or other media may be used.
- If the American Flag is used, it does **not** need conform to the Federal Flag Code in relation to colors, numbers of stars and stripes and other pertinent rules of the code.
- Coloring sheets, digital art and photography are **not** accepted.
- Completed typed or printed legible entry form including parent and/or guardian signatures.
- Students' name, age and grade level must be printed on back of art entry.

VFW Auxiliary National reserves the right to modify these rules and eligibility without notice.



VFW Auxiliary National Art Contest

Illustrating America

Contest Entry Form 2025-2026

Please print or type. Incomplete and/or illegible entry forms will disqualify the entrant.

Student Name: _____ Age: _____

School Name: _____ Grade: _____

Title of entry: _____ Date completed: _____

Media used: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

*Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

*I hereby grant permission for the artwork of the student listed above to be published in the VFW Auxiliary National Magazine, website and social media and to be used for any and all promotional purposes by the VFW Auxiliary National organization. VFW Auxiliary is not responsible for entries which are lost, late, illegible, damaged, incomplete, misdirected, stolen, or reproduced. All scores are final as received from the judges. All contestants must agree to abide by the contest rules. Falsifying information on the entry form or any violation of these rules shall cause immediate disqualification and forfeiture of the award.

Participating/Sponsoring VFW Auxiliary contact information

Contact Name: Michelle Madonna Contact Phone: (509) 230-2958

Contact email: michellemadonna@msn.com Auxiliary No. 1435

To avoid entrant disqualification, this section is to be filled out completely by VFW Auxiliary at each judging level. VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters only accepts Department level first-place winning entries.

Participating/Sponsoring VFW Auxiliary Name & No.: _____ Dept. of: _____

March 31: Student entries due to participating/sponsoring VFW Auxiliary for judging.

Authorized VFW Auxiliary verification signature: _____ Date: _____

Artwork is the property of the student and must be returned immediately to the address listed above if not advancing to the next level.

April: (Optional) First place winner from each participating sponsoring VFW Auxiliary VFW Auxiliary due to VFW Auxiliary District for judging.

Authorized VFW Auxiliary District verification signature: _____ Date: _____

Artwork is the property of the student and must be returned immediately to the address listed above if not advancing to the next level.

April 15: First place winner from each participating sponsoring VFW Auxiliary or optional VFW Auxiliary District judging due to the VFW Auxiliary Department for judging.

Authorized VFW Auxiliary Department verification signature: _____ Date: _____

Artwork is the property of the student and must be returned immediately to the address listed above if not advancing to the next level.

May 5: First place winner from each VFW Auxiliary Department must be received at VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters for judging.

July/August: All students will be notified of entry status via email provided on entry form. Selected winning entries in each grade division may be announced on VFW Auxiliary National social media pages and an image may be shown at the VFW Auxiliary National Convention.

August/September: All art entries received at VFW Auxiliary National will be returned to students and awards mailed to the address provided on the entry form.

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To get started, scan the code or visit this link:

caresolace.com/freemansd

If you have a life-threatening emergency, please call 911 or the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline at 988. Care Solace is not an emergency response service or mental health services provider.

