

Freeman Middle Scoop – 4-24-26

FMS Office Hours are 7:45 am to 3:45 pm. Doors are open to students at 8 am.

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FMS Yearbook Success!

We are proud to share that Mr. Neely recently represented our school at the Hagan Foundation Opportunities Reception. Thanks to his successful grant application, our FMS Yearbook program has received exciting new equipment and resources!

Through this class, Mr. Neely is guiding students as they develop hands-on skills in photography, storytelling, and graphic design. We are thrilled to see our students' hard work come to life and look forward to the upcoming publication of our student-created TK-8 Yearbook!



This week our 7th-grade students had the privilege of listening to **David Funk, CEO of Zero Emissions Northwest**, the company currently leading the solar panel installation for the Freeman School District. Mr. Funk provided an engaging, hands-on look at the science of solar energy, explaining the mechanics of how we harvest sunlight and the long-term environmental benefits of renewable power. His presentation perfectly illustrated his company's vision of a world where **practical energy solutions are accessible, equitable, and affordable for all**, helping our students see how the very infrastructure being built on their campus contributes to a more sustainable, zero-emissions future. It was a fantastic opportunity for our young scientists to connect their classroom lessons to real-world innovation happening right in their own backyard!



Freeman Students Share the Love with Shriners Children's

At Freeman, our commitment to kindness goes beyond the classroom! This past Valentine's Day, students across our TK-8 campus participated in the annual "Heartgrams" fundraiser, raising a total of \$450.95 for Shriners Children's Spokane.

Our students had the honor of presenting these funds directly to a representative from Shriners Children's. During the visit, they learned about the incredible work Shriners does to provide specialized orthopedic care for children.

Shriners Children's Spokane is a vital resource serving patients across Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Alaska, as well as the USA and Canada. Their impact is substantial, including:

- Over 19,000 total patient visits annually.
- More than 1,000 surgeries performed each year.
- Thousands of essential rehabilitation and prosthetic visits.
- Hundreds of telehealth visits to ensure families receive expert care.

Thank you to everyone who purchased a Heartgram, and a special thank you to our hardworking ASB team for representing Freeman so well!



Get ready for our Superheroes for Kids Spirit Week and a Fundraiser supporting Sacred Heart Children's Hospital next week! Each grade has a \$2-per-student goal, and if your grade reaches its target, you'll earn a special reward. Bring your coins or cash to the office to donate to your grade's designated jar and show your school pride by dressing up for our themed days:

Mon: No School

Tues: Batman/Blackout

Wed: Neon/The Flash

Thur: Invisible/Camo

Fri: Captain America/USA



Daily Announcements Recap

Math Is Cool State Bound: A massive "Good Luck" to our 6th Grade Math Is Cool Team! They are heading to Moses Lake tomorrow (Saturday) for the Masters Competition. Show them what Scottie brains can do!

8th Grade To-Do List: *

- Promotion Party Survey: Today is the final deadline! Check your email for Mr. Straw's survey and get your input in.
- FHS Cheer: Tryouts are May 7th at 6:00 PM. Grab your info packets and check the walls for pre-clinic dates.

Campus Housekeeping:

- TA Badges: If you were a TA in either semester, check your lockers and bags! Please return your badges to the office ASAP.
- Field Status: Still a "swampy mess." The middle and lower fields remain off-limits while we wait for the weather to cooperate.

FMS Class Picture Day – will be on April 29th. Starting at 8:15 am. We will be not be taking Individual Grade photo. This year it will be a an all FMS School photo.

**CLASS GROUP PICTURE DAY IS ALMOST HERE!
WED, APR 29, 2026**

LEO'S Photography will be taking class group pictures! Order envelopes will be sent home with your student before picture day, or you can order online using the school code below.



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SPORTS

REMINDERS:

- Click [2026 Baseball Parent Finalized Schedule](#) and [2026 Track & Field Finalized schedule](#)
 - Picture Day will be April 22nd at 3 pm

FINAL FORMS ATHLETE REGISTRATION: <https://freeman-wa.finalforms.com/>

REMINDER: If your student is planning to stay and watch any of the MS home games/meets, they will be meeting in the MS Commons at 2:55 for a study hall. They will be released at 3:35 pm to go directly to the game. *If they stay for after school activities, the closed campus policy is still in effect. They will have school discipline if they go to the Freeman Store.*



Body Positivity

Middle school can be a time of physical change and self-consciousness. It's important to teach your child to be kind to their body and to remember that their worth is not tied to how they look. **Try This:** Talk about media literacy. Ask your child to look at an ad or social media post and identify how it might be edited or filtered to look perfect.

Contact School Counselor Kayleen Archibald karchibald@freemansd.org

CALENDAR/SAVE THE DATES:

April 27 – No School for Students; Professional Development Day for Teachers

April 27 – Freeman SD Board Meeting @ 6 pm in PRTC

April 29 – FMS Group Picture Day

May 8 – FMS Moonlight Gala Dance – 6pm – 7:30 pm in the FMS Gym

May 13 – State Testing- SBA ELA Computer Adaptive

May 14 – State Testing- SBA ELA Performance Task

May 15 – Pastries with Parents

May 16 – Run the Palouse (Cross Country Fundraiser)

May 19 – State Testing- SBA Math Computer Adaptive

May 21 – State Testing- SBA Math Performance

May 28 – 8th Grade State Testing- WCAS (Science)

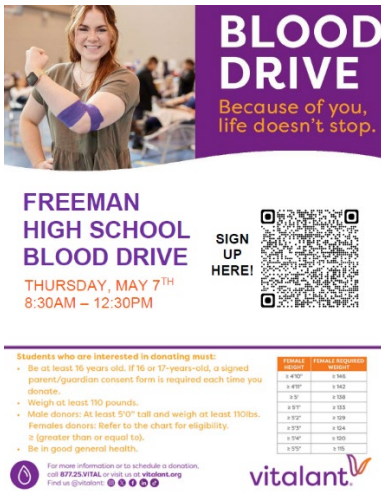
Important Fliers/Upcoming Events

Join Freeman School District at Avista Stadium! Our reduced rate tickets dates are June 24, July 24, and Aug 20. Click [HERE](#) to buy tickets.

Freeman High School Blood Drive:

Click if the QR code on the below poster doesn't work:

<https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa/appointment/guest/ph/timeSlotsExtr?token=azLxqBXYpN%2FNezWZ6K%2BOA5RDG8hbswtllGImXUFIAjk%3D>



BLOOD DRIVE
Because of you, life doesn't stop.

FREEMAN HIGH SCHOOL BLOOD DRIVE
THURSDAY, MAY 7TH
8:30AM – 12:30PM

SIGN UP HERE!

Students who are interested in donating must:

- Be at least 16 years old. If 16 or 17-years-old, a signed parent/guardian consent form is required each time you donate.
- Weigh at least 110 pounds.
- Male donors: At least 5'0" tall and weigh at least 110lbs.
- Female donors: Refer to the chart for eligibility. (greater than or equal to).
- Be in good general health.

Height (feet)	Minimum weight (pounds)
5'0"	115
5'1"	120
5'2"	125
5'3"	130
5'4"	135
5'5"	140

For more information or to schedule a donation, call 877.23.VITAL or visit www.vitalant.org. Find us @vitalant.



SOLAR PROJECT PROGRESS UPDATE

Current Status
Construction is going smoothly this first week. They will be working all this week and likely start to install panels towards the end of next week.

Coordination & Safety
The crew has been working closely with Freeman maintenance and transportation crew to ensure safety and minimal interruption to Freeman day-to-day operations.

Highlights of the Project:

1. The ground mount solar panels will produce 100 kW of power and are located east of the transportation building
2. The project is 100% grant funded and comes at NO cost to district or tax payers.
3. This alternative energy source will allow us to reinvest utility costs back into student programs.

