



SEAHAWK NATION

Newsletter



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Book Fair Week

The weekly district newsletter is distributed each Thursday to FCS Pre-K-5th-grade classes, with a digital version available to all.

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Key Dates

Week of Oct. 5th - Oct. 9th, 2026

Athletics

MON. 5th	FTE WEEK continues - Come to school on time - your attendance matters The Scholastic Book Fair is open all week long. eWallet available #ShopCashFree Fall Sports Pictures & Pre-K - 11 th MAKE UP DAY (POC: bcreamer@fcsdfl.org) Parent Meeting to discuss HOCO @6:00 PM in the library	MON. Football Practice @3:00 PM EST XC Practice @3:00 - 4:30 PM 5th
TUES. 6th	Gulf Coast State College Virtual Dual Enrollment session 5:00 - 6:00 PM Call 850.769.1551 ext. 3207 (next session: Oct. 7 th @12:00 - 1:00 PM (both on Zoom)) High School Band Meeting/Rehearsal each Tuesday during lunch, 12:30 - 1:00 PM FCA in RM 1203 @12:00 - 1:00 PM - MS/High School Lunch w/ Bro. Shiver/ McCleod	TUES. Football Practice @ 3:00 PM 6th HOME golf matches (boys and girls) vs. Marianna @3:00 PM Volleyball game@FAMU DRS JV @5:30 PM & Varsity @6:00 PM Tallahassee Champs (Elem./MS ONLY) - XC goes to Holy Comforter Episcopal School (departure @2:00 PM)
WED. 7th	Citizen of the Month Ceremony @12:00 PM in the library w/ light refreshments Senior Beta lunch meeting @12:30 - 1:00 PM in room 1103 (E.Stratton) FAFSA Workshop with Melanie Copeland @5:30 - 7:00 PM in room 1105 Middle School Band Meeting/rehearsal each Wednesday @11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	WED. Football Practice @3:00 PM EST XC Practice @3:00 - 4:30 PM 7th
THURS. 8th	FCS Band - Rehearsals will be held every Mon., Tues., & Thurs. @ 3:00 - 4:30 PM Monthly Perfect Attendance Challenge (all grades) special treat party (H.Justice) Every perfect day, a letter is gained to spell "Navigating to Success"	THUR. Football Practice @3:00 PM EST 8th Away Boys Golf Match vs. North Bay Haven @3:00 PM HOME Volleyball game vs. RF Munroe Varsity ONLY @ 6:00 PM
FRI. 9th	End of 1 st Nine Weeks Report Cards come out on Oct. 15 th Last day of the book fair. eWallet is available View more NEWS on our website Use the camera on your device to scan the QR code (www.franklincountyschools.org (website))	FRI. Away football game @Wewa 9th XC Practice @3:00 - 4:30PM



UPCOMING REMINDERS:

Oct. 15th - Report cards
Oct. 16th - Homecoming (Early Release)
Oct. 22nd - Open House
Oct. 26 - 30th - Red Ribbon Week
Nov. 5th & 6th - Seafood Festival (No School)
Nov 23rd - 27th - Thanksgiving (No School)

FUNDRAISERS:

Varsity Cheer Bed Sheet Fundraiser & Boo Bags (\$3) |(L.Hamm)
Class of 2029 Popcorn Fundraiser (Anna Bull)
c/o '27 Poinsettias | Pre-orders 10-1 through 10-21
Class of 2030 split the pot for the varsity football game Oct.2nd



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SEAHAWK SPOTLIGHT

CONGRATULATIONS, DAKOTA TILLIS!

Making an Impact in the Classroom and on the Field

Dakota Tillis wears many hats at Franklin County School, serving students in the classroom, on the athletic field, and through extracurricular activities.

Tillis first taught at Franklin County School from 2018 to 2020, teaching seventh-grade civics, ninth-grade world history, sociology, pre-law, and unmanned aviation. He returned to FCS last year as an elementary physical education teacher and currently teaches sixth-grade history, sixth-grade STEM, and ninth-grade physical science.

Beyond the classroom, Tillis serves as an assistant varsity football coach, head varsity baseball coach, and FFA sponsor. For Tillis, the most rewarding part of his work is watching students and student-athletes develop, overcome challenges, and achieve their goals.

"My favorite part of my job is seeing the 'light bulb come on' with my students and players," Tillis said. "Seeing my students and players grow, overcome challenges, and ultimately find success professionally and personally is the most rewarding part of my job."

His return to Franklin County School has also given Tillis an opportunity to share the school and community he loves with his family. "I'm so grateful and blessed to be back at FCS and to have the opportunity to have my wife, Leeah, and my son, Asher, with me," Tillis said. "Having them involved with the school and community that I've fallen in love with makes it even more special."



Tillis' sixth-grade STEM students put their designs to the test with an egg-drop parachute challenge.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October 5th - Carla Bankston

October 6th - Mary Rodgers

October 7th - Chase Golden



FREE STUDENT LUNCH MENU

Monday

Bosco Sticks
Chicken Tenders w/Roll
Marinara Sauce
Steamed Corn
Sweet Potato Fries
Fruit Choice

Tuesday

Beef Nachos
Beef Taco Bowl
Taco Stick
Mexican Corn
Salsa / Romaine
Black Beans
Fruit Choice

Wednesday

Popcorn Chicken w/roll
Corn Dog Mini
Peas and Carrots
Mashed Potatoes w/gravy
Fruit Choice

Thursday

Spaghetti w/Garlic Knot
Brd Chicken Sandwich
Steamed Broccoli
Roasted Yellow Squash
Fruit Choice

Friday

Pizza
Brd Chicken Sandwich
Baby Carrots
Green Beans
Fruit Choice