

FM NEWS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

October 7th

- ✓ Academic Team 2:30

October 8th

- ✓ IU East Visit 9:10
- ✓ Junior Class Officer mtg. 7 AM—Mrs. Stebbins's room
- ✓ Yearbook Club mtg. HS HR—Mrs. Stebbins's room

October 9th

- ✓ Hawaiian Day
- ✓ 2 Hour Early Dis.

October 12th

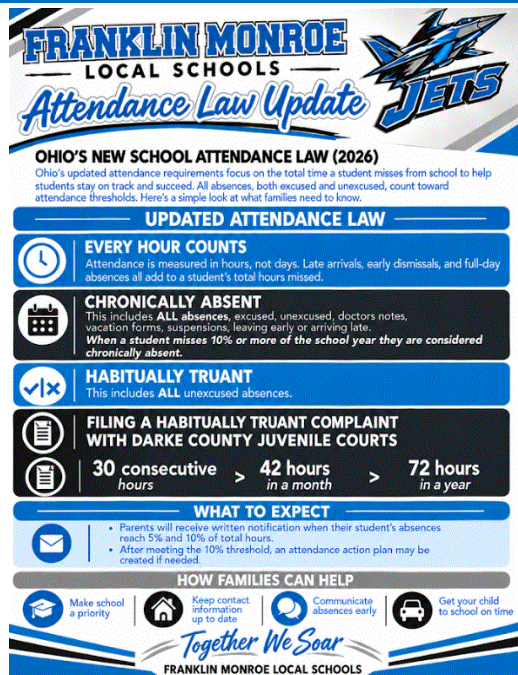
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October 13th

- ✓ Jostens Required mtg. Seniors 7:00 AM
- ✓ Jostens mtg. 7:40 AM—Freshmen
- ✓ LifeWise 11:22-12:15
- ✓ Chess Club HS HR
- ✓ 8th Grade CTC F.T.
- ✓ Academic Team Meet @ FM 4 PM

October 14th

- ✓ CORE Club HS & JH HR
- ✓ SADD Ice Cream Sale—LUNCH
- ✓ Academic Team 2:30



FRANKLIN MONROE LOCAL SCHOOLS
Attendance Law Update
JETS

OHIO'S NEW SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LAW (2026)
Ohio's updated attendance requirements focus on the total time a student misses from school to help students stay on track and succeed. All absences, both excused and unexcused, count toward attendance thresholds. Here's a simple look at what families need to know.

UPDATED ATTENDANCE LAW

EVERY HOUR COUNTS
Attendance is measured in hours, not days. Late arrivals, early dismissals, and full-day absences all add to a student's total hours missed.

CHRONICALLY ABSENT
This includes ALL absences, excused, unexcused, doctors notes, vacation forms, suspensions, leaving early or arriving late.
When a student misses 10% or more of the school year they are considered chronically absent.

HABITUALLY TRUANT
This includes ALL unexcused absences.

FILING A HABITUALLY TRUANT COMPLAINT WITH DARKE COUNTY JUVENILE COURTS

30 consecutive hours	>	42 hours in a month	>	72 hours in a year
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WHAT TO EXPECT

- Parents will receive written notification when their student's absences reach 5% and 10% of total hours.
- After meeting the 10% threshold, an attendance action plan may be created if needed.

HOW FAMILIES CAN HELP

- Make school a priority
- Keep contact information up to date
- Communicate absences early
- Get your child to school on time

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FRANKLIN MONROE LOCAL SCHOOLS

Guest Homecoming Forms (other schools)

If you need Mrs. Voress to sign a homecoming/prom guest form to attend at a different school you will need to have the form completely filled out before bringing it to the office. Also make sure you turn it into the office in a timely manner. It may take a day or two for it to be signed if Mrs. Voress is not here or in a meeting. If you have questions, please contact the office.



FRANKLIN MONROE Lady Jets Basketball
IS HOSTING A
YARD BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

WHEN: OCTOBER 30TH FROM 6-9 PM

WHERE: FLIGHTLINE CENTER

COST: \$20/PARTICIPANT (2 PER TEAM)

DOUBLE ELIMINATION

GRAB A PARTNER, DRESS IN YOUR BEST HALLOWEEN COSTUME AND SEE IF YOU CAN TAKE HOME THE PRIZE!

FM



Thanks to Klockner Pentaplast for sharing their time and knowledge with our sophomores for National Manufacturing Day!

Monday, October 5th

Spanish Club mtg. HS HR
Academic Team 2:30
FFA mtg. 7 PM
Swim Team Required mtg. 7 PM—Arcanum Community Room

LUNCH: Hot Dog (toppings), Green Beans, Carrots, Fruit, and Milk

Tuesday, October 6th

Chess Club HS HR
LifeWise 11:22
Academic Team Meet @ Arcanum 4 PM
Soccer Senior Night

LUNCH: Cheeseburger, Curly Fries, Carrots, Fruit, and Milk

BIRTHDAYS

Detentions:

Oct. 6 - Mrs. Rowland
Oct. 8 - Mr. Thayer
Oct. 13 - Mr. Thieman
Oct. 15 - Mrs. Thomas

