SEAHAWK NATION Newsletter

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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 Nov. 16th - Nov. 20th, 2026

MON. 16th	Rec Drone Competition in Panama City @8:00 AM - Jerry Lampl
TUES. 17th	Installation & Organizational Meeting, Board Workshop, followed by a regular meeting @5:00 PM (Willie Speed Boardroom) | 85 School Rd., Eastpoint 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
WED. 18th	Cheer Competition HOME @7:00 PM ($5 Entry) Middle School Band Meeting/rehearsal each Wednesday @11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
THURS. 19th	Class of 2030 fall bake auction in person and Facebook from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Students will collect donations for full baked goods in the front office.
FRI. 20th	Thanksgiving with family at FCS |CASH ONLY. Visitor/Adult Meals are $5.25 View lunchtimes and more NEWS on our website Use the camera on your device to scan the QR code (www.franklincountyschools.org (website) →

UPCOMING REMINDERS:

- Nov. 23rd - 27th - Thanksgiving Break (No School)
- Nov. 23rd - Fibonacci Fest (Eastpoint Library) @ 2:00 - 4:30 PM
- Nov. 30th - Teacher PD (No School)
- Dec. 1st - Pop Art Inspired by Nighttime in the Estuary ft. FCS student artwork @4:00-8:00 PM (natural trail, games
- Dec. 18th - Teacher PD (No School)
- Dec. 21 - Jan. 1 - Christmas/New Year (No School)

FUNDRAISERS:

- Success Academy - $5 Mini Santa Snacks (Sewell)
- Class of 2029 Popcorn Fundraiser (Anna Bull)

Athletics

MON. 16th
HOME (MS) Basketball game vs. Hosford @5:00/6:00 PM (no girls)
HOME (V) Girls Basketball Game vs. St. John Paull II
FCS Marching Band Rehearsals on Mon., Tues., & Thurs. @3:00 - 4:30 PM

TUES. 17th
(MS) Basketball game @Tolar @5:00/6:00 PM
HOME Soccer game vs. Munroe @ 5:00 PM (Girls)/7:00 PM (Boys)

WED. 18th
Nothing to note at this time. Please support our athletics, activities, & fundraisers.

THUR. 19th
HOME Basketball games vs. Maclay | JV @5:30 PM, (V) @ 7:00 PM EST
(MS) Basketball game @Hosford @5:00/6:00 PM (no girls)
(V) Girls Basketball Game @Aucilla Christian
HOME Soccer game vs. Marianna @5:00 PM (Girls)/ 7:00 PM (Boys)

FRI. 20th
Nothing to note at this time. We are thankful for our Seahawk Family
Have a wonderful and safe break. Students return to school on Dec. 1st

Abbreviations: MS = Middle School | V= Varsity | JV = Junior Varsity

Stay Connected!

Be sure to check our website and Facebook for news and updates.
Email our PIO, Morgan Martin, at mmartin@fcsdfl.org for district features, positive story submissions & Seahawk Shoutouts.

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SEAHAWK SPOTLIGHT

CONGRATULATIONS, SSG WINSTON MURPHY!

From Army Boots to Seahawk Roots: A New Mission of Mentorship





Pedrick, Murphy, & CTE Coordinator Hughes

Franklin County School (FCS) is proud to welcome retired U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Winston Murphy as its new Cadet Core instructor, bringing military experience, leadership skills, and a passion for mentorship to Seahawk Nation. Murphy succeeds longtime instructor Vance Pedrick, who will transition into a new role as a member of the Franklin County School Board on Nov. 17.

"Although my role is changing, my commitment to the students, staff, and families of Franklin County remains the same," Pedrick said. "I look forward to continuing to serve our district in a different capacity."FCS extends its appreciation to Pedrick for his dedication to the Cadet Core program and the students he has mentored throughout his tenure.

Murphy served 20 years in the U.S. Army from 1991 to 2011. Throughout his career, he held various leadership, instructional, and administrative positions, gaining extensive experience in military training and personnel development. His background includes serving as a military science instructor at Florida State University, where he provided classroom instruction, supervised field training exercises, and mentored cadets in leadership development and military discipline.

Beyond his military service, Murphy has dedicated much of his career to helping others succeed. His experience includes serving as a county veterans service officer, assisting veterans and their families with benefits and support services, and working as a program coordinator to develop leadership and interpersonal skills among participants. With his military expertise, instructional experience, and commitment to service, Murphy is well-positioned to build upon the foundation of the FCS Cadet Core program while helping students develop confidence, discipline, teamwork, and leadership skills beyond the classroom.

Please join us in welcoming Staff Sergeant Winston Murphy to the Seahawk family as we look forward to his positive impact on students and the continued success of the Cadet Core program.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nov.15th - Ashley Cleveland
Nov. 17th - Maria Dively, Joyce Lemieux
Nov. 19th - Teresa Segree
Nov. 19th - Yolanda Collins

FREE STUDENT LUNCH MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bosco Sticks	Beef Nachos	Chicken Chunks w/roll	Spaghetti w/Garlic Knot	Pizza
Chicken Tenders w/Roll	Beef Taco Bowl	Corndog Mini	Brd Chicken Sandwich	Brd Chicken Sandwich
Marinara Sauce	Taco Stick	Peas and Carrots	Steamed Broccoli	Baby Carrots
Steamed Corn	Mexican Corn	Mashed Potatoes w/gravy	Roasted Yellow Squash	Green Beans
Sweet Potato Fries	Salsa / Romaine	Fruit Choice	Fruit Choice	Fruit Choice
Fruit Choice	Black Beans			
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