

## FALCON FLYER WEEK OF JANUARY 20th, 2020

MONDAY, JANUARY  $20^{TH}$  – NO SCHOOL – DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR DAY – The Firelands Schools will be closed in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Day next Monday. We will return on Tuesday, January  $21^{st}$ , with a normal weekly schedule next week.

**VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE** – Students who will be 18-years old by the General Election, on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> are eligible to register to vote. Through Mr. Kirsch, Mrs. Notarberardino, Mrs. Costello, and Ms. Kolarik, students will be able to obtain and submit voter registration forms through these teachers. You must be submit your registration to these teachers by February 12<sup>th</sup> to be eligible to vote in the March Primary election on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. 17-year olds who will be 18 by the General Election are eligible to vote in the March Primary, but not for any issues, just primary candidates. Your forms will be delivered to the appropriate county Board of Election by February 13<sup>th</sup> (Erie, Huron or Lorain County). Exercise your right as an American Citizen to vote, get registered and be heard.

**BUCKLE UP BOWL** - What is the Buckle Up Bowl? The Buckle Up Bowl is a seat belt competition among Lorain County high schools to generate peer engagement and social change around seat belts and focused driving in Lorain County.

Firelands High School has signed up for the Buckle-Up Bowl and will receive the following:

Receive a customized paper material for your school district with a buckle up message - created and printed - as a thank you from the Lorain County Safe Communities Coalition!

Examples of past free paper materials: Prom tickets, graduation commencement programs, report card inserts, basketball game tickets, etc.

Compete for bragging rights and a CASH PRIZE for classroom enhancements - awarded to the high school with the best overall seat belt usage - generously donated by the Dominic Zunis Memorial Foundation. Big thank you the Zunis family and the Foundation! Check them out at www.domzunisfoundation.org.

How does the Buckle Up Bowl work?

Coalition members will conduct two unannounced seat belt surveys at all participating high schools: preand post-intervention. The post seat belt survey results will determine the winners.

March 30-April 3: unannounced visual seat belt surveys

May 4-8: unannounced visual seat belt surveys Week of May 11: Winners announcement

Week of May 18 (TENTATIVE): Buckle Up Bowl student showcase

Why register?

In 2018, 33% of fatal crashes in Lorain County involved a driver under age 24. Five of those young people who died were not wearing a seat belt.

Winning high schools in the following categories will receive an award plaque and bragging rights in Lorain County for:

- Most creative campaign
- Most improved seat belt usage
- Best overall seat belt usage\*
- \*A CASH PRIZE for classroom enhancements will be awarded to the high school with the best overall seat belt usage generously donated by the Dominic Zunis Memorial Foundation. Big thank you the Zunis family and the Foundation! Check them out at <a href="https://www.domzunisfoundation.org">www.domzunisfoundation.org</a>

**FALCON SHOWCASE** - Come join us on Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> for the Falcon Showcase, which is student-focused and is a direct reflection of their hard work and dedication. This is an excellent opportunity for the community to see the quality instruction within our buildings, and what the students have produced.

New this year, any student with an existing business is welcome to display and sell their product. For example: students who produce maple syrup, jewelry etc. The students need to pre-register with Jen Butchko or Lori Roemer by Friday, February 14th.

Tables and designated areas will be set up for students to display/demonstrate their accomplishments, all in the friendly confines of the Firelands High School gymnasium.

**SCHEDULING FOR the 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR** - Upon return from Winter Break, our school counselors will begin meeting with students regarding their course options for the 2020-2021 school year. The counselors will first meet with students in their English classes to review course offerings, graduation requirements, and special programs for each grade level. The 2020-2021 Course Selection Guide will be available for all to view on the Firelands High School website. Students will bring home a schedule request form to review and get signed by their families. Each grade level will have time to review and discuss decisions, then the counselors will return to their classes to assist students in selecting their requests online.

11th graders – Scheduled

10th graders - January 21st and 24th

9th graders - January 24th and 28th

8th graders - February 3rd and 6th with parent meeting on February 4th at 5:30 in the FHS Cafeteria We are excited to be working with students to develop the best plan for each of their futures! Contact our Counselors if you have any questions - Miss Cozza (8th and 9th graders) & Dr. Zimmer (10th & 11th graders).

**NEW FHS BUILDING PLANNING UPDATE** - Over the next month, we will conclude a process called Educational Visioning. Through conversations with our staff, students, parents and community, we will discuss our vision for education in Firelands and how our new high school will support that vision. As part of our campaign commitment to our community in the design of our new building, please join us on for our second meeting on Wednesday, January 29th in the FHS Band Room at 6:30 p.m. During the visioning process, the district will also create surveys to gather input from those that are not able to attend the meetings.

Notices of surveys will be:

- Emailed to parents/guardians
- Available on our website at <u>www.firelandsschools.org</u>
- Posted on the district Facebook page at The Firelands Falcons

ATHLETIC UPDATES - If you would like to follow the Lorain County League, please go to their website at <a href="http://www.loraincounty8.org/">http://www.loraincounty8.org/</a>. Follow Mr. Stillman on the web at the FHS Athletic website (<a href="http://www.firelandsathletics.org">http://www.firelandsathletics.org</a>) or on Twitter (@FirelandsFalcon). Also, follow the Firelands Athletic Boosters on Twitter (@FirelandsSports).

## **UPCOMING FHS EVENTS IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY**

Monday, January 20, 2020 - NO SCHOOL - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day

Wednesday, January 29, 2020- Community Building Update Meeting – 6:30 pm – FHS Band Room **Tuesday, February 4, 2020** – Junior College Planning Meeting (5:30 pm), Incoming Freshman Scheduling Meeting (5:30 pm), and CCP Parent Meeting (6:30 pm) – FHS venues

Thursday, February 13 – 7pm – Winter Band Concert

Monday, February 17 – NO SCHOOL – President's Day

Thursday, February 20 - 3:30 - 7 pm - Parent-Teacher Conferences

Thursday, February 20 - 4 pm – FHS Career Fair

Monday, February 24 – 7pm – Winter Choir Concert

**Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 am – Junior SAT Day** – No school for other three grades – Juniors from both FHS and the LCJVS will take the SAT – provided by the State of Ohio at no cost to students. This is a mandatory day for all juniors from both FHS and the LCJVS. More information will be coming in the next few weeks

**Tuesday, March 10**<sup>th</sup> – Falcon Showcase – 6:30 pm – FHS Gymnasium

## **FHS Google Calendar of Events**

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