



FALCON FLYER—WEEK OF OCTOBER 21, 2019

END OF THE GRADING PERIOD – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH – The end of the first grading period is this Friday, October 25th. All grades are due from teachers by Tuesday, October 29th, with grades posted on Wednesday, October 30th. Eligibility for the second grading period is also established on Thursday, October 31st. Students must be passing the equivalent of five 1-credit classes, and have a minimum GPA of 1.5 in the first grading period to remain eligible. There is Double-Teacher Tutoring on Wednesday, from 7:30 – 9 am for students who want to get extra-help or make-up missing work.

VOLLEYBALL HEADS TO DISTRICT SEMI-FINALS – The Volleyball team won their second round Sectional matchup against Rocky River on Thursday night, setting up a showdown with #1 seed and defending Division II State Champion Holy Name. The game will begin at 6 pm at Holy Name on Wednesday evening, October 23rd. Come on out and cheer the Volleyball team on as they begin District play.

Firelands FFA Offering Free Address Signs Through Operation G.R.A.S.S -
By: Katelyn Konicek and Taylor Kenska, Firelands FFA Officers

Oberlin, OH- The Firelands FFA chapter is focusing on community safety this year and has created a project to help improve emergency response time. After some research, we found that only around 1 in 10 houses have green reflective signs in their yards. Those signs can improve emergency response time by 20%, which could be the difference between life and death. Firelands Ag. Business class has made it their project to help supply the community with green reflective signs. Through Operation G.R.A.S.S., green reflective address safety signs will be made available for free to members of the Firelands community. The first phase of our project is for community members aged 60 and over as well families with disabilities. The chapter is asking for a \$15 donation if the requester is willing and able to make a donation. Donations will help make the project sustainable. Free installation is provided upon request. Order yours by February 1st. Signs available while supplies and funds last. Please email sfinnegan@firelandsschools.org if you have questions.

Help Firelands FFA Clean Up the Community While Helping Ronald McDonald House Charities
- Get rid of those old, unused vehicles and farm equipment while benefitting Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC). Through April 24, 2020, Ohio FFA chapters are ridding their communities of unneeded vehicles and farm equipment. At no cost to you or your local FFA chapter, RMHC will pick up the vehicle or farm equipment and tow it to the nearest auction location. This program is made possible by Telhio Credit Union.

Through April 24, 2020, at no cost to the FFA chapter or community member contributing the vehicle, RMHC will pick up the donated vehicle or equipment.

Community members interested in donating a vehicle or equipment can do so via phone using the program-specific number: 800-332-8201 (use code #OH0088 for Firelands).

Each donation will be tracked to the chapter using the chapter's unique identification number. Firelands' code is #OH0088! This spring, Telhio Credit Union and the Ohio FFA Foundation will award \$10,000 to the Ohio FFA chapter with the most vehicles donated!

PICTURE RETAKES – Ripcho Studios will return to FHS tomorrow, Monday, October 21st at 8 am for picture retakes. For any students who missed the original date in September, or would like retakes, Ripcho will be here that date for pictures. Also, Student Groups will be having their group pictures taken on that date (Student Council, clubs, etc). Band and Athletics are not included in these group pictures, as they have already had their group photos taken. Students who want picture re-takes need to bring in their old pictures. If a student missed pictures, parents can use the order form provided by the photographer, or by forms in the Main Office. Seniors, this is your last chance to get a head shot for the Senior composite and yearbook if you have not already been photographed by Ripcho Studio.

EMAIL UPDATE GLITCH – Due to problems with Powerschool and OneView, not all parents are receiving this weekly Falcon Flyer update. If you, or anyone you know cannot see this update, please navigate to <http://www.firelandsschools.org/FHSFalconFlyer.aspx>, where all the previous Flyers are on display. The link will also be available on Twitter.

ONE MORE TIME CONCERT – The Marching Band will be holding their annual One More Time Concert in Falcon Stadium on Wednesday, October 30th at 7 pm. Come join us as we celebrate our Marching Band for the last time in Falcon Stadium for the 2019 Fall Season. The concert will be moved into the Falcon Gymnasium for inclement weather.

WINTER ATHLETICS REMINDER – Students who are planning to play a winter sport need to have their current physicals on file with Trainer Joe Menges before the beginning of tryouts. Also, all prospective winter athletes must complete all of their required information in Final Forms before the first day of tryouts/practice. Athletes who already have forms on file in Final Forms will have all of their information rolled over to their winter team, so there is no action required from parents or students, unless you would like to update your athlete's information.

FINAL FORMS TIPS for UPCOMING WINTER ATHLETIC SEASON – For student-athletes that are new, parents need to register their student in Final Forms, and sign-up for the sports their student is trying out for. If a student-athlete already exists in Final Forms, a parent just needs to sign the student up for the sport in which they are trying out.

One last Final Forms item. **Please have your student use an email address that is NOT their Firelands Gmail address.** Due to the educational suite, Google security blocks access to emails from Final Forms, so your students will not be able to complete all of the forms required before participating in tryouts, games or practices. Thank you for your cooperation.

The link to Final Forms can be accessed by [clicking here](#).

ATHLETIC UPDATES – Congratulations to Senior Alessandra Davis on her 14th place finish at the Division II XC District Championships held this past Saturday at LCCC. Alessandra now moves on to compete in the Regional Division II XC meet Saturday at Boardman High School, with running beginning at 11:45. Also, congratulations to our Boys and Girls Soccer teams on their run in the Sectional Tournament. Both teams were eliminated this past week by Bay, as both squads battled the talented Rockets. Finally, the football team finishes on the road with games at Oberlin College on Friday, and closes the season out at Wellington next Saturday. The game at Oberlin College, against Oberlin, starts a ½ hour later at 7:30 pm, with gates not opening until 6:15 pm. If you would like to follow the Lorain County League, please go to their website at <http://www.loraincounty8.org/>. Follow Mr. Stillman on the web at the FHS Athletic website (<http://www.firelandsathletics.org>) or on Twitter (@FirelandsFalcon). Also, follow the Firelands Athletic Boosters on Twitter (@FirelandsSports).

Have a great week!

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