

FALCON FLYER- WEEK OF SEFTEMBER 16, 2019

SOPHOMORE RING PRESENTATION – Representatives from Jostens were here this past Friday to meet with the Class of 2022 about the Class rings. Ordering information packets were supplied to each student, and ordering is also possible through the Jostens website, which is linked to the FHS website, and can also be accessed by <u>clicking here</u>. Paper orders will be taken in school on Tuesday, September 17th during lunch periods. Students who are Juniors and Seniors, and have not ordered class rings, may also order at this time. JVS Students will have their ring meeting at the LCJVS on Monday, November 4th.

VAPING HEALTH CRISIS – I will be sending articles home dealing with the dangers of vaping. We want our children to be safe and healthy. If you suspect any vaping from anyone in your home, please talk about the dangers. Here is an article that will back up your concerns from the USA Today. https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/health/2019/09/11/vaping-lung-illness-what-we-know-spate-cases-and-deaths/2264610001/

REQUIRED VACCINES FOR SCHOOL – Linda Matus, our School Nurse, has contacted parents whose children are not yet in compliance for all of their required vaccines. If you have not been contacted, your student is in compliance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC). Under ORC 3313.671, and Firelands Board of Education Policy JHCB, any student who has not yet complied with these policies shall be excluded from school. If your student is not in compliance with ORC 3313.671, they will be asked to not attend school until they are in compliance with the law. They will be responsible for any missed school work during that time, and it will be due on the day of return to school.

PICTURE RETAKES – Students who have not yet had their pictures taken through Ripcho Studios will have a final chance of this on Monday, October 21st. Also, any students who want retakes can take them at this time. All students must have a picture taken, even if they are not purchasing pictures. Also, all Seniors must have a picture for publication in the yearbook and on the Senior Composite picture. All group pictures will also be taken at this time. The link to Ripcho's website is <u>located here</u>.

FHS TRIP TO SPAIN ENROLLMENT ENDS OF OCTOBER 31 - The spring break 2020 study trip to Spain is now enrolling through the end of October. Current FHS juniors and seniors who have studied Spanish language or upper-level Art and their parents are invited to join the group. Take a look at the tour at http://www.eftours.com Search for "Madrid and Andalusia". We plan on departing April 10 and returning April 19, 2020. Students can join the Google Classroom page to access more information about this EF Tours trip at class code - jfub2i.

A price increase is coming October 1. You can lock in the September price by enrolling before the annual Oct. 1 increase. An in-depth meeting for interested students is being held Wed. Oct. 2 from 8:15-9:00am in FHS room 104 (art). Mrs. Tawil will hold an informational meeting for parents on Wed. Oct. 2 during parent-teacher conferences at 6:30pm in room 104. A second parent-teacher conference night is Thur.

Oct. 10 for follow-up. Contact Group Leader Laura Tawil, FHS art teacher for more information at ltawil@firelandsschools.org.

TEEN DRIVING PROGRAM - Here is a great program for teens learning to drive. It teaches much more than an ordinary driving school would. It is a free course and is an extremely worthwhile one. The website is listed below. Classes are 9/28 or 9/29 at Lorain Community College. If it can save one accident or life, it is well worth the time for this free class. https://putonthebrakes.org/about

FHS YEARBOOK SALE FOR 2019-20 – Students can order their 2019-2020 yearbook for the lowest price it will be for the year, \$50, now through September 27th. You should have received an order form in FAST, or you can order online at <u>Jostens Yearbooks</u>.

GOOGLE CLASS CODES FOR FHS STUDENTS – Each Class (Freshman, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors) will have their own Class Codes for class informational purposes, and to have the ability to vote for Class Officers, Homecoming Court, and other items that will be beneficial to our students. They will also receive information from their Class Advisor and from their Counselors through these Google Classrooms. Here are the Codes, which the students have to access through their Google Accounts:

Seniors (Class of 2020): x5h69r Juniors (Class of 2021): tqyzke

Sophomores (Class of 2022): x9yq5m Freshman (Class of 2023): jlq0awd

PSAT TESTING AT FHS – Firelands High School will be hosting the PSAT test for all 9th and 10th grade students on Wednesday, October 16th, beginning at 7:30 am. Also, Juniors who want to take the PSAT again, and is an excellent practice test for the SAT in March. Juniors must sign-up with Dr. Zimmer in Student Services prior to September 16th. As a reminder, the testing ends at approximately noon, and students will be dismissed from school at that time. Any student who must ride the bus, will have a quiet study hall available to them after the conclusion of lunch, which will be served to all students who would like to have lunch following the conclusion of the PSAT. All Freshman and Sophomores who attend the LCJVS need to be at FHS that morning for testing, and will be dismissed from school when the PSAT concludes, at approximately noon.

INFORMATION FOR LCJVS STUDENTS and FULL-TIME CCP STUDENTS - Students who attend either the JVS or LCCC or BG-Firelands full-time will still receive these weekly updates about the activities at FHS. Students and their parents can do the following to further get information and updates from FHS: Click on your choice of informational deliveries:

- 1. FHS Website
- 2. Daily Announcements
- 3. Email Mrs Dziat at kdziat@firelandsschools.org for a daily submission to your inbox
- 4. Weekly Falcon Flyer, which is the same email which you are currently reading

HOMECOMING FESTIVITIES – Homecoming Weekend starts on Thursday, September 26th with the annual Football Jersey auction, which coincides with a SAMS doubleheader in Falcon Stadium. The Athletic Booster Club will be hosting that event. Friday evening, the Homecoming Game against Black River will begin at 7pm, with the crowning ceremony of the King and Queen beginning around 6 pm.

The Homecoming Dance, with the theme of It's a Beach Homecoming, will be held from 7-10 pm in the Falcon Gymnasium on Saturday evening, September 28th. Tickets will go on sale in the next few weeks, with dance tickets \$10 pre-sale and \$15 at the door. Students bringing an out-of- school guest must have the out-of-school guest form approved by FHS Administration prior to the purchase of the guest's ticket. The form is available on the FHS website. All guests must be in at least 9th grade, and under the age of 21. Any students not in high school must be a graduate of Firelands High School to attend the Homecoming Dance.

In each class' Google Classroom, students will be able to nominate up to four boys and four girls for their specific class. Seniors will be able to nominate for the Senior Court, while underclass students nominate to vote for Underclass Prince and Princess of each Class. There will be five boys and five girls on Senior Court, while there will be three girls and three boys per class where voting will take place for Prince and Princess of each underclass grade. Nominations will take place through Thursday, September 19th, while voting for each takes place from September 22-26th for Class Prince and Princess, and September 22-27th for King and Queen. The entire school will vote for King and Queen. All voting takes place through Google Classroom.

JOIN THE FIRELANDS ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB – The Firelands Athletic Boosters are another way to support our student-athletes at FHS. People can sign up by completing the FABC form, which are available in Student Services and at the football concession stand. Membership of two years gives your student- athlete an opportunity to earn FABC scholarships, pending a completed application.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM - The Firelands School District is excited to inform our parents/guardians about our communication tool (Google Classroom). The purpose of Google Classroom is to provide communication from the classroom teacher to home. The staff has been trained and will use this tool to communicate classroom activities, upcoming classroom events, and other important information happening within the classroom.

These invites went out from the teachers on Friday. Parents will be able to get weekly updates, or daily updates, based on your preference. This is why an accurate email address from input into OneView is imperative so we can invite you to Google Classroom.

If more than one parent email is requested for Google Classroom access, just email the specific teacher and they can add an email address for parent access.

COLLEGE NOW AT FHS – A college counselor from College Now will be at FHS every other Tuesday to further assist our students in the college search process. They can answer questions about the search, application, and financial aid process.

POWER SCHOOL ACCOUNT FOR PARENTS – If a parent would like their own Power School account, and do not yet have one, please email Mr. Maver at maver@firelandsschools.org. This will allow parents to link their students throughout the district, provided they have the access codes for each student, into one account. Power School is where official class grades are stored and viewed.

ONEVIEW – STUDENT PAPERWORK – Firelands Local School District will continue to use OneView to update our back- to-school forms. From your web browser, go to our homepage at: http://www.firelandsschools.org and click on Student Registration. Then follow the link for the Firelands OneView Portal at https://firelands.esvportal.com/. If you can access OneView with your username and

password, follow the directions below to update the information for the 2019-20 school year. Each child's parents/guardians have received a one-page mailer with OneView Username and Password information, which will be necessary if you cannot access your OneView account. That will help you log onto the system.

After you have logged into OneView, select the "Submit & View Online Forms" tab. Under the 2019-2020 Back To School Forms banner, please complete and submit the "Student Demographic and EMA" form. As a reminder, if you have multiple children enrolled in Firelands, you must complete this form separately for each child.

In order to ensure we have your child's most accurate health history and emergency contact information, we ask that all forms be completed no later than Friday, September 20th. Students without updated information may be excluded from attending school. You can, at any time throughout the year, update new phone numbers, email addresses, etc. If you need assistance with your account, please contact the FHS Main Office for assistance. This is also how we communicate through email, as it is vital to have accurate email addresses. One more item, if you have changed your any information, please update it in OneView and also email Mrs. Dziat to let her know of the changes. Her email address is kdziat@firelandsschools.org

Firelands FFA at 2019 Lorain County Junior Fair - By Taylor Kenska

Wellington, Oh - The Firelands FFA chapter dedicates a huge amount of time preparing for a successful week at the Lorain County Fair. Many students show their animals that they have raised for market and spent hours budgeting and recording data in preparation for fair week. They can enter a wide variety of projects such as animals, crops, and still-life shop projects and more. The chapter works very hard and dedicates a lot of their time to have a successful fair and proudly represent Firelands FFA Chapter as they compete in their project classes!

- Ag. Shop and Crop Awards Chris Fath: Grand Champion FFA Field Crop
- Aiden Harker: Grand Champion FFA Engineering Restoration
- Bianca Inman: Reserve Champion FFA Engineering
- Tad Miller: Grand Champion FFA Fruit
- Taylor Ostander: FFA Poster Award
- Beef and Dairy Awards- Logan Galloway: Reserve Champion Type Dairy Feeder, 5th in Beef Showmanship Taylor Kenska: Grand Champion Bred, Born and Raised, Reserve Grand Champion Modern Beef Steer, Senior Showmanship Champion and Supreme Market Beef Showman Champion
- Fowl Awards- Gavin Gede: Second Place in Showmanship Market Chicken
- Kelsey Hardwick: Second Place in Showmanship Market Chicken
- Goat Awards- Aiden Harker: 1st Place Boer Showmanship
- Horse Awards-Maddy Chenoweth: Grand Champion Trail Saddle Horse (4H)

Firelands FFA Members on Lorain County Junior Fair Board:

2019 Junior Fair Board Vice President: Bianca Inman

Members: Hailie Bates, Keith Cornwell, Breanna Dechant, Genalda Finley, Steven Jessel,

Katelyn Konicek, Morgan Nance, Bridget Rutkowski, Krystal Scheeres

The Firelands FFA has not only had success at the Lorain County Fair but at Erie County Fair and Ohio State Fair. Congratulations to Gabby Zadorozny for Third in Berkshire Breeding Class. Also, congratulations to Krystal Scheeres First, Second, Second and Third in her Dairy Goat Breeding Projects and 5th in Showmanship. Another, congratulations goes to Josh Scheeres on Forth in Showmanship and Fifth in Pack Goat. Both of the Scheeres siblings showed through 4H. Way to go everyone on an amazing year with all your projects.

A Special Thank You to the Buyers of Firelands FFA Members' Animals at Fair:

- Bob's Truck Tire Sales Service
- Born Implement
- C & L Shoes
- Sunrise Cooperative Inc., Russ Culler & Keith Deering
- Paul Saylor
- Bounce House of Grafton
- Schlechter Bros. & Schlechter Bros Country
- Mike Gede and Family
- Chris Schiefer Insurance & Financial Svc
- Shagovac Heating & Cooling Inc
- Denes Concrete Inc
- Pat Gede in Memory of Don Gede
- Laura Pall DDS
- Got It Lookin Farm
- Cutting Edge Excavating
- L & K Construction
- Schlather Insurance- Elyria/Wellington
- Bon Appeit at Oberlin College
- KMU Trucking & Excavating
- Fehlan Insurance
- Dostall Farms
- Vermilion Veterinary Clinic
- Liberty Ag Feed & Supply
- Laborers Union Local #758

We would like to thank all of our parents and supporters of the Firelands FFA Chapter, all award sponsors and buyers for a successful year at the Lorain County Fair!

FIRELANDS EVENT CALENDAR – You can access the FHS Events Calendar by <u>clicking here</u> for away events and accessing home events by <u>clicking here</u>. You can then customize to a weekly, monthly, or agenda view. If you would like to have access to both home and away events at the same time, click on the plus sign in Google Calendar page in the bottom right of the FHS Home page, and it will allow you to add both home and away event calendars at the same time so you can access both on the same calendar.

ATHLETIC UPDATES –The Volleyball team won their ninth match in a row Saturday afternoon against Lorain and North Ridgeville, as Senior Joselyn Moquete recorded her 1,000th career assist. The Boys Soccer team defeated Keystone on Saturday afternoon 1-0 to run their LC8 record to 3-0-1 and atop the Lorain County League. And finally, the Football team defeated Vermilion 21-0, for their sixth straight victory over the Sailors. The Falcons return home this Friday night to host Columbia. 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 (@FirelandsSports).

Have a great week. We are hosting our new student luncheon for all FHS students new to the district on Monday, thanks to our TLC students who do a great job of welcoming our new Falcons to FHS.

Bob Maver Principal Firelands High School