

Fruita Monument High School



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Important Dates:

Fri. 3/4—Thrift Shop Dance

Tue. 3/8—Choir Concert

Thur. 3/10—NO SCHOOL:
Teacher Work Day/End of
3rd quarter

Fri. 3/11—NO SCHOOL:
Teacher Inservice

Wed. 3/16—Band Chili
Dinner Fundraiser

Mon. 3/21 - Fri. 3/25—NO
SCHOOL: Spring Break

Wed. 4/13—Thur 4/14—
Testing for Sophomores/
Juniors (see pg 3)

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Greetings, Wildcat Fans, Parents, and Supporters!

It is hard to believe, but when we come back from spring break, we will be down to 27 days of instruction for our graduating seniors! As we head down the final stretch and look forward to the Class of 2022 donning their gowns, celebrating their accomplishments, and looking to the next phase of their lives, there are many important events leading up to commencement for the class of 2022 on May 10.

SAT/PSAT and CMAS Testing: SAT testing for all juniors will take place on April 13 from 8am - 12:30pm. PSAT testing for all sophomores and CMAS Science for all juniors will take place on April 14 from 8am - 12:30pm. No classes will be held on April 13 and April 14 and only students who are testing should report. See additional information on the following pages.

Registration and class selection for 2022-23: This year, students will be able to take more ownership of their class schedule. 2022-23 Seniors will choose their class schedule during the week of March 14 and 2022-23 Juniors will choose their class schedule during the week of March 28th. Check out this [video](#) for an overview of the process. More information will be shared as we get closer to the scheduling weeks.

2022-23 Calendar: Be sure to check next year's calendar to plan for family events this summer and vacations next year. You can see the 2022-23 District 51 calendar on the following pages. We will share a customized FMHS calendar as soon as a few more dates and times are finalized. [D51 2022-23 Calendar](#)

2022-23 Dates:

Classes Begin	August 10
Fall Break	Nov. 21 - 25
Winter Break	Dec. 22 - Jan. 6
MLK Day	Jan. 16
Presidents' Day	Feb. 20
Spring Break	March 20 - 24
Graduation 2023	TBD
Senior Checkout	TBD
Soph/Junior Last Day	May 23

Respectfully,

Todd McClaskey, Principal
GO WILDCATS!

Upcoming Dates to Remember

Parent/Teacher Conferences

April 14, 3:30pm - 7:30pm

Prom

April 9, 8pm - 11pm
CMU Ballroom

Senior Class Honors and Excellence Ceremony

Monday, May 2, 7pm
FMHS South Gym
Invitations Will be Sent Out

Seniors Check Out Cap and Gown Pick-up

Friday, May 6, 8am
FMHS Auditorium

Graduation Practice and Senior Picnic

Monday, May 9, 1pm
Stocker Stadium

Graduation

Tuesday, May 10, 6pm
Stocker Stadium

2021-22 State Mandated Testing Schedule (Week of April 11)

Day	Date	Who	Test	Time
Wednesday	April 13	11th Grade	SAT Exam	8am - 12:30pm
Thursday	April 14	11th Grade	CMAS Science Exam	8am - 12:30pm
Thursday	April 14	10th Grade	PSAT Exam	8am - 12:30pm

There will be no testing on Monday (4/11), Tuesday (4/12), and Friday (4/15). We will have our regular eight-period schedule on these days.

Frequently Asked Questions and Assessment Information

[State Assessment Fact Sheet](#)

[State Assessments at a Glance](#)

[PSAT/SAT Fact Sheet](#)

On the days when my student will be testing, what time should they be at school?

*Your student should arrive at school no later than 7:50am as testing will begin promptly at 8am in assigned classrooms on campus. It will be critical for your student to be at their testing station on time to receive the group instructions required for each test. **(PLEASE carefully note the calendar dates above).***

Do buses run on the testing days?

Buses will run on a regular schedule arriving to and from FMHS. When students have completed their tests, they are free to leave campus. Buses will leave FMHS at 3:26pm.

Will the Career Center and WCCC still be having classes during the test period?

The Career Center will NOT be holding classes on April 13 and 14. WCCC will be having classes on both days and students can attend those classes on any day they are not testing. The buses will also run for all these students at regular times.

Will all high schools be testing on the same dates?

All four high schools will be testing on Wednesday and Thursday, April 13 and 14.

If I don't want my student to take a test, what do I do?

*Parents who wish to refuse state testing will be required to fill out the Parent Request for Exemption form which is located on the Assessment Information website and bring it into their student's school. Click here for the link to the [Assessment Information for Parents](#) form. One form per student must be completed and re-turned by the **parent** to the student's school.*

If my student is not scheduled to take a test, should they come to school?

No. In order to properly administer each exam, we will be utilizing all staff to proctor exams and must maintain a testing environment. Teachers will not be available and the library and computer labs will be in use.

If you have additional questions, please contact the administration office at 254-6600.

Spring Sports Season has officially begun! Good luck to our spring sports—

Baseball

Girls Tennis

Girls and boys lacrosse

Boys swim and dive

Girls and boys track

Girls Golf

Girls soccer

Girls Golf



For schedules or other information please visit the athletics page at <https://fruitamonument.rschooleams.com>, or call our Office

Class of 2022 FMHS Hall of Fame Inductees:

Fruita Monument High School and the Fruita Monument Hall of Fame Committee are proud to announce the inductees for our Hall of Fame Class of 2022. Inductees were honored at a presentation during halftime of the Fruita Monument vs Central Boys basketball game on February 4, 2022.



Phil Wertman – Phil Wertman dedicated his entire life to sports, from his childhood in Villisca, Iowa to his retirement here in the Grand Valley.

Wertman played football, basketball, and baseball at Villisca Community High School as well as participating in track and band, and he graduated with a long list of medals to show for it.

Wertman's resume includes ten state titles, five regional championships and one two time Collegiate All American during his time at FMHS all while impacting the lives of countless students for life beyond Fruita from 1978-2005.



John Kohls From 1980 to 1983, Kohls dominated on the football field and wrestling mat. As a senior, Kohls was named All-Southwestern League offensive lineman and was a mainstay on a football team that went 9-3 winning the Southwest League before advancing to the 3A Semi-finals.

During the wrestling season, the team went on to capture the SWL title and finish second in Class 3A. Kohls went undefeated and took the individual state title in the 155lbs weight class. He was also selected to the All-State team, and the All-State Duel, which he won. Kohls was also chosen as the Southwestern League Outstanding Wrestler. He went on to compete in wrestling at BYU competing all 4 years in NCAA Nationals.



Bart Bortles - From 1961 - 64, Bart proved to be one of the most versatile athletes in Fruita's long history. Bortels lettered in five sports including baseball, football, wrestling, basketball and track.

After graduating, Bart went on to play football at the University of Colorado as an offensive guard where he lettered and was a starter on the Big 8 powerhouse.

Class of 2022 FMHS Hall of Fame Inductees (cont.):



Lanny Paulson - As a stellar student/athlete from 1977-1979, Lanny Paulson represented FMHS with the traits we value as a community.

Paulson excelled in the classroom, on the wrestling mat and baseball field. As a senior wrestler, Paulson was named the Southwestern League Most Valuable Wrestler and went undefeated giving up only five points to his opponents the entire season. During that season, Paulson captured the Class 3A title with an overtime victory at 155lbs and helped his team claim the Southwestern League title and a second place finish in Class 3A. Paulson went on to wrestle at the collegiate level for the University of Utah for a year and finishing up at the University of Northern Colorado.



Dan Miller - Dan Miller's career has been marked by a true and undying passion for athletics. Miller graduated from high school in 1965, earning 14 varsity letters (four in football, track, and baseball, and two in basketball).

After high school, Dan went on to become a Junior College All-American in 1966. Following college, he coached wrestling at Michigan high school and, after winning two state runner-up titles, he was named coach of the year for his class in 1975. Miller earned his masters degree and completed multiple exams to become one of the first Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialists (CSCS) in the country. This qualification, similar to a PhD at the time, immersed him in the leading weight training techniques, including Olympic-style weightlifting.

At FMHS, he pioneered the weight and conditioning program, working with student-athletes across multiple sports. He served as an assistant football coach from 1976 to 2002, seeing four semi-final and two state runner-up teams during his career. Additionally, he helped train two state champion women's basketball teams, as well as baseball, softball, wrestling, and men's basketball state champion teams.



Don Paris - Don Paris, a 1965 graduate, was regarded by his classmates as a, "Power Packed Bundle of Brawn," in the Fruita High School Yearbook.

Paris not only dominated on the football field, basketball court and baseball field, he was a tremendous student and was loved by his peers.

Paris not only lettered all four years in football, basketball, and baseball - he earned All-Conference honors in football three times and basketball twice. He also received honorable mention as an All American in Football. As captain of the football team in his senior season, Donny helped lead the Wildcats to a 12-1 record, the Gunnison Valley League title and a playoff run that ended with a loss in the Class 2A State Finals in his senior year. At the close of the season Paris earned the "FHS Outstanding Player Award". He was also a member of the 1965 baseball team that captured the Gunnison Valley League title and finished as class 2A State Runner-ups.

Paris's talents earned him a four-year football scholarship to the University of Colorado. However, due to injuries, he was only able to play for one season. However, his skill and determination in sports and life were an inspiration to many.

THE TAMING OF THE SHREW

TWO NIGHTS ONLY: APRIL 15 AND 16, 2022



FRUITA MONUMENT HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
SHOW STARTS AT 7:00, DOORS OPEN AT 6:30
ALL TICKETS ARE \$9 AND CAN BE PURCHASED
IN ADVANCE AT [FMHS.LUDUS.COM](https://fmhs.ludus.com)
DIRECTED BY GWENY OTT AND CHRISTIAN HERRING



Congratulations Wildcat Cheerleaders!

Kylie Seeley, Shannon Kyle, Aubrianna Gallegos were each selected as All-American Cheerleaders by the United Cheerleader Association for their outstanding performance.

Go Wildcats!



Congratulations State Wrestling Qualifiers!



118 - Regan Dare

127 - Apple Middleton

100 - Adelaide Martinsen

**They will compete in the 2022
5A Colorado State Wrestling
Championships Thursday -
Saturday.**

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Congratulations State Swim and Dive Qualifiers!



Each swimmer qualified at regionals and will compete at the 5A Swim and Dive Championships on Tuesday, February 15 at the Veterans Memorial Aquatic Center in Thornton

Kendyll Wilkinson (100 free, 100 backstroke, 200 medley relay, 400 free relay), **Molly Atwood** (200 free relay), **Anastacia Shaw** (200 medley relay, 200 free relay, 400 free relay), **Taylor Wall** (200 free relay, 400 free relay), **Elisa Elsberry** (200 medley relay, 200 free relay), **Emma Kimbrough** (200 medley relay, 100 breaststroke, 200 medley relay, 400 free relay)

Way to go Wildcats!

Congratulations State Wrestling Qualifiers!

106 - Geno Gallegos
113 - Michael Leon
126 - Will Stewart
132 - Tyler Archuleta
138 - Bryce Nixon
145 - Dylan Chelewski
160 - Sullivan Sample
170 - True Tobiasson
182 - Armony Trujillo
195 - Tatum Williams
285 Joseph Shepardson

They will compete
in the 2022 5A
Colorado State
Wrestling
Championships
Thursday - Satur-
day.



If you have any of these wrestlers in class can you congratulate them for a job well done at this year's CHSAA 5A State Tournament as they finished 6th as a team, and 3 placed as individuals!

145 - Dylan Chelewski 5th Place

160 - Sullivan Sample 5th Place

170 - True Tobiasson 5th Place

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Congratulations State FBLA Qualifiers!

Fruita Monument High School's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) had all 35 of its members qualify for State Competition by placing in the top 4 in their events. These students will compete at FBLA State in Denver April 18-20.

Alyssa Abeyta, Publication Design, 2nd

Rayia Adams, Sarah Hill and Nate Blehm, Marketing, 3rd

Cody Bailey, Accounting II, 1st

Paula Bostelman, Abby Hanna and Camryn Sommerville, Business Plan, 1st

Clara Clifford, Maeve Gilbride, Hannah Williams, Hospitality & Event Management, 3rd

Calista Cripe, Kiah Petree, Publication Design, 1st

Miranda Deeths, Introduction to Financial Math, 1st

Zane Ebel, Economics, 1st

Lauren Geer, Saddie Hubbard, Meilyn Recker, PSA, 3rd

Ana Hull, Graphic Design, 2nd

Kyley King, Kylynn Tanner, Business Management, 2nd

Maren Lynch, Insurance & Risk Management, 1st

Rachel Park, Introduction to Public Speaking, 1st

Lauren Patrick, Emily Portice, Social Media Strategies, 1st

Allie Robinson, Serena Sullivan, Intro to Social Media Strategies, 2nd

Jordan Smith and Kaden Strain, Social Media Strategies, 4th

Tori Smith, Digital Video Production, 1st

Emily Staton, Human Resource Management, 1st

Austin Strain, Intro to Business Communication, 1st

Ross Winters, Future Business Leader, 1st

Lilyana Zambrano-Trevino, Job Interview 2nd



Congratulations Oliver Balestrieri!

Daniels Fund Scholarship Finalist

The Daniels Scholarship Program offers a four-year college scholarship that can be used at any accredited non-profit college or university in the United States. Last year nearly 2,000 students applied and 250 were selected from our region (Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming). Good luck Oliver!

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Congratulations!

2022 Speech and Debate State Qualifiers!

Teagan Meens qualified in Informative Speaking and Rachel Park qualified in Original Oratory. Both will compete in the State Speech and Debate Championships in Cherry Creek on March 18-19.



Congratulations! Mines Medal of Achievement Recipient

Monique Streetman!



Monique, a junior, was chosen by the Colorado School of Mines for the Math and Science Medal of Achievement based on her outstanding performance in the classroom. This achievement comes with a \$1,000 scholarship.

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Congratulations Shelby Fredrickson!

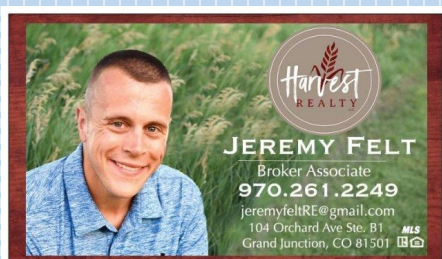
Wildcat Teacher of Month - March



Ms. Fredrickson, a 2015 FM graduate, strives to meet the needs of each of her students and goes above and beyond to help the students with after school tutoring and school activities.

This recognition comes with a gift card to Sud's Brothers, a gift package from Harvest Realty and a designated parking space for the month of March

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Congratulations Culinary Arts Team!

1st Place - Colorado ProStart Invitational



Team includes: Taylor

Schimek, Elizabeth Potter, Kyley King, and Avelyn Benefield. This win results in over \$500,000 in educational scholarships to continue on in the Hospitality/Culinary field for each of the students. They will represent Colorado at the National ProStart competition in Washington DC, May 6-8



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COLLEGE VISITS



Financial Aid Help Night

March 3rd at CMU
Dominguez Hall 203 and 204
6pm-8pm



One student present will be selected for a \$500 book scholarship to CMU or WCCC!



March 1st- Commons
1pm-2pm

Durango, CO



March 2nd- Commons
9:30am-1030am

Greeley, CO



March 8th- Commons
9:00am-1030am

Pueblo, CO



April 5th Commons
11:00am-12:00pm

Lakewood, CO



YOU ARE PROUD OF THEIR DECISION TO SERVE... AND SO ARE WE!



Military-bound Grad Picnic and Celebration

Saturday April 30, 2022

11:00am – 1:00pm

2542 G Rd - Grand Junction

Picnic area @ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
(not a church sponsored event)

RSVP to president.co8@bluestarmothers.org by 4/24/2022

- ♦ Meet other military families ♦
- ♦ Visit with local recruiters ♦
- ♦ Parents/guardians welcome with or without your recruit! ♦

SAT PREP COURSE

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Suzanne
Bergen, M.Ed.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16
6:00 – 8:00 PM
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