

Fruita Monument High School



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Important Dates

No School
Teacher Work Day
October 16

No School
Teacher In-Service
October 26-27

Letter from Principal Todd McClaskey

As fall in Western Colorado emerges, Fruita Monument students and staff are busily involved in a wide variety of activities. School Spirit is high as our students pour out to support our teams and show Fruita Pride. Our goal is that every student will find a group where he or she can participate in positive experiences and give back to their school and community. It is important to note that there is a high correlation with high achieving students and involvement in extracurricular activities such as; Fine Arts (Band, Art, Orchestra or Choir), Athletics, FFA, service clubs and many other organizations. Encourage your child to find a club to get involved with or to be part of a team. There is something purposeful for every student at Fruita Monument. Check the FMHS website to see the more than thirty clubs available to students.

The first week of October brings the much anticipated homecoming week and all the festivities that come with it. This year's theme is "Journey". Students Counsel has scheduled many fun activities all week (see the following pages for a full schedule).

I am excited to welcome the community to our first drama production this school year. The FMHS Drama Club will be performing "Don Quixote: The Reboot You Didn't Ask For." The story follows the adventures of a nobleman who reads so many chivalric romances that he loses his sanity and decides to set out to re-vive chivalry, undo wrongs, and bring justice to the world, under the name *Don Quixote de la Mancha*. Show times are set for 7pm on October 12, 13, 14.

At this time, students are also fully engaged in their academic endeavors and working hard on writing essays, completing projects and demonstrating their learning through a variety of assessments. We encourage both parents and students to utilize ParentVue to stay connected to their teachers and classes. For more information on ParentVue contact the administration office at 254-6600.

If your student is struggling academically and in need of additional support, please contact your student's counselor or administrator at 254-6600. We have many intervention programs to support students and meet their needs.

Thanks for your continued interest and support!

GO WILDCATS!

Todd McClaskey, Principal

IT'S GREAT TO BE A FRUITA MONUMENT WILDCAT!

Athletics and Activities

Hoping to play sports in the NCAA? If you think that your son/daughter will compete at the NCAA level, then they must complete their application for the NCAA Clearinghouse. If you have questions please call the Athletic Office or Counseling Office.

Winter Sport Registration opens October 2, 2017. All registration for Winter Sports must be completed on-line. Registration and instructions can be found at fmhsathletics.com under the "Parents" tab.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

- Register with Family ID
- Complete the Winter Sports Registration for 2017-18
- You will get a confirmation from Family ID (if you do not receive confirmation you are not registered)
- Current Physical on File (physicals are good for one calendar year)
- Pay \$140 Athletic Fee

**ALL PAPERWORK MUST BE TURNED IN BETWEEN OCTOBER 2, 2017
AND NOVEMBER 9, 2017.**

All three (3) steps need to be completed during that time.

ONLY THOSE ATHLETES THAT HAVE PAPERWORK COMPLETED AND TURNED IN BEFORE NOVEMBER 9TH WILL PRACTICE ON NOVEMBER 10, 2017. PAPERWORK TAKES 24 HOURS TO PROCESS. IF YOU TURN IT IN ON NOVEMBER 10TH, YOU WILL NOT PRACTICE UNTIL NOVEMBER 11, 2017.

We are asking all parents and athletes to sign up for VNN Alerts. We are pushing this as one of our best means to inform parents and athletes of any changes that we encounter. Instructions are on the Website. Valuable life lessons can be learned through athletics. We thank you for your support and for allowing us the privilege of working with your sons and daughters.

OUR PURPOSE IS: DO THE RIGHT THING,
DO YOUR BEST,
TREAT OTHERS THE WAY YOU WOULD WANT TO BE TREATED!

Drama Department Update

FMHS Drama presents an original comedy - ***DON QUIXOTE: the Reboot you didn't Ask for*** on October 12, 13, and 14 at 7 p.m. in the High School auditorium. Tickets will \$6 for students, \$8 for adults and \$6 for Senior Citizens. Advance Tickets will be available in the High School's Fee / Finance office.



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Homecoming News



Journey ^{Oct 2-7} FMHS Homecoming

Monday 10/2	Tuesday 10/3	Wednesday 10/4	Thursday 10/5	Friday 10/6	Saturday 10/7
'Merica Mon-day Wear anything American Pride	Trail Tuesday •Hiking gear •Outdoor •Hunter camo • Colorado wear!	Tropical Travel Day •Hawaiian • Jungle Islander Jamaican	COLOR Wars 10 th = white 11 th = blue 12 th = black PowderPuff Food Trucks 5-8:30 Bring \$ for Food Trucks	Air-port Day •Pilot wear • Flight attendant • Anything you would travel in! •aviators	Surprise Destination Theme (Semi Formal) FMHS Homecoming Dance 9 th -12 th grade only * 7:30-10:30 \$13 w/SBA; \$16 w/o \$20/22 @ door
Strobelight Volleyball 7PM Royalty Competition Begins Teacher comp begins!	Talent Show 7 PM (auditorium)		Homecoming Assembly		
Varsity Golf @ State JV Football @ GJHS 4PM	Softball v. CHS JV @ Kronkright @ 4PM Varsity @ CMU @ 7PM Volleyball v. CHS JV @ 4:30 Varsity @ 5:30	Soccer v. GJHS JV @ Canyonview @4PM Varsity @ CMU v. GJHS	Softball v. GJHS JV @ Kronkright @4PM Varsity @ CMU @ 7PM Orchestra Concert @ FMS @ 6:30PM Tennis @ CMU Time TBA	Cross Country v. PHS @3PM Varsity Football v. Denver South 7PM Tennis @ CMU Time TBA	JV Football v. Denver South @ FMHS @ 10 AM

Speech and Debate

Do you love to argue? Are you super competitive? Do you love to perform? Do your friends tell you that you are overly dramatic? The Speech and Debate Team is for you! An interest meeting for anyone considering joining the Speech & Debate Team will be held Tuesday 9/5 at 3pm in the Library. Regular practices start Wednesday 9/6 and will be held from 3:15-5:30 in the Library every Tuesday and Wednesday thereafter.

Yearbook News

SENIOR PICTURES DUE BY: Friday, October 20, 2017



Requirements:

- Must be vertical orientation
- Submit in person to room 201
- Photo must be on a flashdrive or cd (only 1 photo)
- Content & dress must be school appropriate
 - No alcohol, drug, violence or hate related symbols
 - No profanity or provocative dress

Optional:

- Seniors may submit a 20 word senior quote to be printed under their senior photo. Quotes must be school appropriate and the YB staff reserves the right to not print any quotes

FCCLA Notes

FCCLA is off to a great start this year. We have 16 members grades 8-12. With 2 advisors, Mrs. Kimberly Basham from Fruita 8/9 and Mrs. Cheryl Tennant from FMHS, we expect that FCCLA will be planning activities, service projects to serve our community, and taking several students to District, State, and National conferences this year. Officers will be in place by September 20.

FCCLA is an acronym for Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America. It is the only student lead Career and Technical Student Organization that focuses on the Family. Our purposes are:

1. To provide opportunities for personal development and preparation for adult life
2. To strengthen the function of the family as a basic unit of society
3. To encourage democracy through cooperative action in the home and community
4. To encourage individual and group involvement in helping achieve global cooperation and harmony
5. To promote greater understanding between youth and adults
6. To provide opportunities for making decisions and for assuming responsibilities.
7. To prepare for the multiple roles of men and women in today's society.
8. To promote Family and Consumer Sciences and related occupations

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Counseling Department

October Happenings

Oct 1: Aspen College Fair, Aspen Colorado (A shared bus from FMHS/GJHS will travel there. Students/parents can also drive themselves.)

October 2 – 6th: Free application week for many Colorado Schools (full list of schools TBA)

October 3: University of Northern Colorado college rep visit at 10:45 a.m.

October 5: Reps from CMU and CMC here at FMHS in the library to help with Free App Week applications.

October 16: ASVAB test at GJHS 9:00 a.m.

October 18: Unified Financial Aid Night at CMU - 6 pm (great sessions on navigating the college experience)

October 24: FAFSA night (help finishing/filling out FAFSA by financial aid reps)

More information on these events will be sent via email, Naviance and school announcements closer to the dates. Please contact the FMHS counseling department if you have questions.

FMHS Band News

Welcome to another year of great music at Fruita Monument! The Wildcat Marching Band is in full swing and has a busy month of performances in September including the Fruita Fall Festival Parade, football games, the District 51 Valley Marching Band Extravaganza and the Colorado West Invitational. The Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble are both off to fantastic starts, they are going to be great this year!

Please check the FMHS Band Webpage for any updates. We would also like to thank all our parents who are involved with the music program here at FMHS, this is shaping up to be a fabulous year. Thanks and see you at the next performance!! More questions? Checkout: www.fmhsbands.com

Special shout out to Pace Construction for allowing us to use their space to build the props for marching band this year. Thank you Pace Construction for your generosity and support of the FMHS Music Program. Also, special thanks to Junction West RV Park for their generous donations and support this year.

Upcoming Performances:

10/26-28—CBA State Marching Band, Falcon Stadium, Air Force Academy, Co. Springs.

11/1— FMHS/Fruita 8/9 Concert Bands, 7:00 p.m., Avalon Theatre

Key Club

Key Club is an international organization dedicated to serving the community and the world. Key Club of Fruita meets Thursdays during SAT and Lunch in Mr. Wuster's room starting in September. We do many of our service projects during this time, so it is a great way for students to get involved and earn service hours during the school day. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Wuster at Trent.Wuster@d51schools.org



Study Help

The following teachers will be available in the library for after school for help

- English
 - Monday - Miss Johnson 3-5pm
 - Tuesday - Mr. Morales 3-5pm
 - Wednesday - Mrs. Miller 3-5pm
 - Thursday - Mr. Wuster 3-5pm
- Math
 - Monday - Mr. Carlson and Ms. Tubbs - 3-4pm
 - Tuesday - Mr Carlson 3-5, Ms. Tubbs 3-5pm
 - Wednesday - Mr. Carlson and Ms. Tubbs - 3-4pm
 - Thursday - Mr Carlson 3-5, Ms. Tubbs 3-5pm
- SLC
 - Beginning in December with Mr. Casebier



WHEN: Saturday, October 14th 7:30AM

WHERE: FMHS

REGISTER: \$17 in the fees office (sign-up deadline October 6th)

WHO: Juniors and Sophomores!

WHY?

- The PSAT can qualify you for impossibly great **scholarship competitions**. Money, money, money to fuel a college education.
- The PSAT is excellent **practice for the SAT**. It's better to find out now if you happened to forget some mathematical formula or grammar rule that could cost you hundreds of points on the SAT.
- The PSAT will help you **work on pacing**. Even if you know the content cold, you could have trouble on the SAT if you're not a fast test-taker.
- The PSAT can get **colleges to send you fan mail**. You decide if you want colleges to have access to your information. This can be a great way to start your hunt for the perfect college.

What's in the PSAT?

In about two hours and ten minutes, the PSAT tests your critical reading, math, and writing skills. It includes:

- **Two** twenty-five minute **critical reading** sections
- **Two** twenty-five minute **math** sections
- **One** thirty-minute **writing** section