

# FREEDOM FIREBIRDS

#### **Our Mission:**

Freedom Traditional Academy is committed to providing a well-rounded educational experience in which students develop great citizenship and achieve academic excellence through a rigorous, accelerated, and purposeful curriculum while supported by an engaged and involved family community.

#### **Our Vision:**

Preparing all students to be successful, productive citizens and lifelong learners.

# Message from the Principal

Hello Firebird Families!

Where has the year gone! It's hard to believe that the holidays are right around the corner. With that being said, we have quite a few family events to celebrate the season.

On Wednesday, November 16, families are invited to eat Thanksgiving lunch with their child(ren). The lunch schedule is a little different so make sure you check with your child's teacher or call the front office for the correct time.

Our annual Turkey Trot is scheduled on Friday, November 18. You are more than welcome to come and watch. There will be pies to be won; and as you probably know, this is serious business for kids!:)

We will wrap up the holiday season with Winter Wonderland on December 15 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. There will be a games and crafts for all ages, choir performances from kindergarten, 1st grade and 2nd grade, a Holiday Shop for kids to buy presents, and last but not least, a visit from Santa Claus!

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey that was sent out in October. This information will being used to help us improve. As promised, here are the results:

- 100% of our community respondents stated that they were satisfied/very satisfied with the WAYS in which student academic and behavior performance are communicated.
- 95% of our community respondents stated that they were satisfied/very satisfied with the FREQUENCY in which student academic and behavior performance are communicated.
- 100% of our community respondents stated that they were satisfied/very satisfied with the **WAYS** in which the school's progress and performance are communicated.
- 100% of our community respondents stated that they were satisfied/very satisfied with the FREQUENCY in which the school's progress and performance are

communicated.

Thank you again for taking the time to provide feedback to us! I hope you and your family have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

For the Kids, Connie Wolford

### **Volunteer Corner**



As you know, Freedom Traditional Academy believes that children are more successful when there is a strong partnership between school and home. We know that our families have busy lives, so we offer many family-friendly volunteer opportunities.

Here are some examples:

- ALL PTA events (Fall Festival, Bingo Night, Winter Wonderland, Book Fair, etc)
  - Contact FreedomPTA@gmail.com for more information.
- Direct traffic at arrival and/or dismissal
- Helping the Teachers (copying, bulletin boards, reading groups, etc.) email your teacher to set up a time/day
- Volunteering for Winter Wonderland (in December) email Mrs. Serene
- Art Docent for your child's classroom email your teacher
- Help with Band/Choir/Orchestra Concerts email Ms. McCloud or Mr. Swanson
- ...and many more!!!

#### **News from PTA**



There are upcoming PTA events planned for the months of November and December! Here's what is happening...

- Nov 17 from 6-7:30 pm Bingo Night in the Cafeteria
- Dec 7 from 4-9:00 pm Cane's Night
- Dec 12 to 15 Holiday Shop
- Dec 15 from 5:30-7:00pm Winter Wonderland (including pictures with Santa)

## **Performing Arts**



Please join us for a night filled with holiday music! Our choir and band will be performing in the gym on December 6 at 6:00. They have put in many hours of practice and are excited to perform for you!

If your child is interested in participating in the performing arts, email Ms. McCloud at Katrina.McCloud@dysart.org and/or Mr. Swanson at Allyn.Swanson@dysart.org for more information.

### **Athletics**



Do you have a 2nd-8th grade student who likes running?

Our Cross Country team is forming! If you have a student who would like to participate, a permission slip can be picked up from Ms. Woolridge or Mr. Flies.

# **Upcoming Events**



- Nov 16: Thanksgiving Lunch
- Nov 18: Turkey Trot
- Nov 21-25: Thanksgiving Break
- Dec 6: Band and Choir Concert (6:00 pm)
- Dec 7-8: Math and Reading District Benchmark
- Dec 15: Polar Express Night (5:30 pm)
- Dec 19-Jan 2: Winter Break

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