

FRANKLIN COUNTY R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

November 2019

VETERAN'S DAY BREAKFAST

Franklin County R-II Student Council has invited area veterans and their spouses to a breakfast on Thursday, November 14, from 8:00 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. Our students will perform a few musical numbers after breakfast. Please let everyone in the community know that we want to honor our veterans on November 14 and hope to have a large turnout.

MANDATORY BASKETBALL MEETING

We will have a basketball meeting on Thursday, November 7, at 6:30 P.M. in the cafeteria to sign up workers for the concession stand and scoreboard. All players must have a physical and proof of insurance before they can practice. No exceptions.

FALL BACK

Daylight Savings Time ends November 3. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour (fall back).

PICTURE RETAKES AND GROUP PICTURES

Picture retake day is Wednesday, November 13. All group pictures, including sports and clubs, will also be taken on that day.

EMERGENCY PLAN

The Franklin County R-II School District has a plan in place for emergencies such as fire, tornado, earthquake, and intruders. Students practiced evacuating the building in October with three fire drills. In the event of an actual evacuation, students will be bused off site to the Memorial Baptist Church parking lot. Classroom teachers will be in charge of their students and will require a parent signature before students will be allowed to leave. Every effort will be made to communicate this information in the event of an actual emergency, but we cannot guarantee we will have the capability to do so.

FAMILY READING NIGHT

Reading is SNOW much fun! Join us on Tuesday, December 3, at 6:00 p.m. as we read stories and enjoy making snacks and doing activities that revolve around snow. This night is sure to make everyone happy to welcome winter! As always, every child who attends will receive a free book courtesy of the Franklin County R-II PTO.

BOOK FAIR

The annual Book Fair begins Monday, December 2, and ends on Friday, December 6. Please stop by the library on Family Reading Night to do some Christmas shopping! The Book Fair benefits our library because we receive free books.

Happy Thanksgiving!

THANKSGIVING BREAK

School will not be in session on November 27, 28, and 29 (Wednesday through Friday) for the Thanksgiving holiday. This is a full three-day break for Thanksgiving.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC PROGRAMS

The K-4 Christmas Music program will be Monday, December 16, at 6:30 P.M. The 5 – 8 Christmas Music program will be Tuesday, December 17, at 6:30 p.m. Rehearsals for the programs will be the day of the program at 1:00 P.M. Parents and grandparents who are unable to attend the evening performance are welcome to attend the rehearsal. PTO invites you to stay for refreshments in the cafeteria following the K-4 program.

INCLEMENT WEATHER AND SCHOOL CLOSINGS

We have set up the phone system to call and text the cell number and call the land line on file for every parent and employee in the district. You will be contacted by phone with a recorded message in the event we have a school closing and you should also receive a text message. You may also watch the following TV stations:

TV Channels: 2, 4, 5, 11 and 30

MATH TUTORING/INTERVENTIONS

We have started a new after school program on Mondays and Tuesdays from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. for math tutoring in all grades beginning Monday, November 4. Math facts fluency will be a major focus for all grades. Math facts fluency is the ability to recall the basic facts in all four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division) accurately, quickly, and effortlessly. Students are selected for tutoring based on several factors including attendance, iReady diagnostic scores, and teacher recommendation. We will assess student progress at the beginning of third quarter and possibly release students who have mastered math facts fluency. At that point, additional students may be selected for math tutoring. Math tutors are: Kathy Otterer, Sydnee Pate, Julie Strubberg, Kathy Vandegriffe, and Carol Laboube.

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