



Franklin Academy Medical Sciences & Wellness Magnet School

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Message from the Principal

Can you believe that we are already starting our second month of school? We are proud that you chose Franklin Academy for your child's school this year. We are already working hard to make sure your child has a successful school year. We have spent time this month reviewing pretest, reviewing MCT2 test data, and learning more about the new programs we have implemented. This year all students have taken the Children's Progress academic screener to determine their strengths and weaknesses. Teachers are using this information to guide instruction to make this the best school year for your child!! If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Magnet Highlights

The first six-weeks of school our students will be learning about the functions of nervous system. They will also explore the different medical careers that specialize in ways to keep it healthy. Dr. Shanna Sullivan from Saumn Chiropractics will present lessons throughout the month to our students.

We are also beginning our nutrition and 4H classes this month. The presenter will once again be Sharon Patrick from the MSU Extension Center. Please make sure you are helping support our mission to create healthy students by only sending approved SNACKS. Fresh fruit is a great idea.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO PROTECT YOUR CHILD FROM THE FLU AND SEASONAL COLDS

Practice good hand hygiene by washing your hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing and sneezing. Alcohol-based cleaners are also effective.

1. **Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.** If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your elbow or shoulder; not into your hands.
2. **Stay home if you and your child is sick for at least 24 hours** after there is no longer a fever or signs of a fever (without the use fever-reducing medicine.) Keeping sick students at home means that they keep the viruses to themselves rather than sharing them with others.
3. Get your family vaccinated for seasonal flu and 2009 H1N1 flu when vaccines are available.
4. If a household member is sick, **keep all school aged children at home for a minimum of 5 days** from the time the member became sick. Monitor everyone for signs and symptoms.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| | 9/1 | 9/2 | 9/3 | 9/4 |
| 9/7 Labor Day Holiday No School | 9/8 | 9/9 Progress Reports | 9/10 Parent Workshop 9:30 AM | 9/11 |
| 9/14 | 9/15 | 9/16 | 9/17 PTA All Star Picnic 5:30 PM | 9/18 |
| 9/21 | 9/22 | 9/23 | 9/24 School Board Visit | 9/25 Skate Zone Celebration |
| 9/28 Parent Teacher Conference Day | 9/29 | 9/30 | | |



Our Vision is that all children will grow positively in their social, emotional, physical, and academic development and achieve 100 % mastery on the proficient level of academic and physical assessments.

Students of Month

Congratulations

Character Trait:
Responsibility

Kindergarten
Janiya Brewer
Jeremiah Davis
Teresa Hughes
Theodis Jakeous
Rhone

First Grade
Mercedes Williams
Keevon Macon
Danyjhia Williams
Deonte' Saffore

Second Grade
Shelly Perkins
Shaliyah Perkins
Darrell Edmonds
Mercedes Woods

Third Grade
Jasmine Stevenson
Jerquinton Ratcliff
Quinton Rogers
Kerrigan Clark

Fourth Grade
Toree Blevins
Brianna O'Neal
Sheridan Nelson
Amber Leech

HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS ARE BEING RECOGNIZED

PTA Corner

PTA is pleased with the success of our first Luau. We hope to see everyone at our annual Hot Dog Dinner. If you are interested in joining PTA or becoming a parent volunteer, please send a note to your child's teacher.

Welcome to our new PTA Officers for the 2009 - 2010 School Year.

President – Claudia McDavis
 1st Vice President & Promotional Programs – Rachel Huwe
 2nd Vice President – Sandra Johnson
 Secretary – Holly O'Callaghan
 Treasurer – Angela Verdell
 Teacher Representatives - Coach Gooch, Mrs. Purtell,
 and Mrs. Rush
 Grounds Coordinator – Jay Coleman

Special Reminders

- Please drop student off after 7:15. There is no supervision prior to this time. Classes begin at 7:45. If your child is tardy, please accompany them to the office. Students eating breakfast need to be at school by 7:30.
- Please make sure your child knows how he/she is getting home every day. Please send a note if there are changes.
- Please sign your child's home-school folder every day.
- Please be on the lookout for signed papers every TUESDAY.
- Please don't forget to pay your child's workbook fees ASAP. \$15
- Please make sure your child is in uniform everyday. This includes a belt. Uniform coats are navy, khaki, or white.