

# Fruita Monument High School



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## Important Dates

### Parent/Teacher Conferences

April 12, 3:30-7:30pm  
Teacher Rooms

### School Accountability

April 12, 6:30pm  
Room 126

### No School—Non-Contact Day

May 3-4

### Honors and Excellence

May 7, 7pm  
FMHS Auditorium

### Seniors Last Day

Cap and Gown Pick-up  
May 11  
FMHS Auditorium

### Baccalaureate

Sunday, May 13, 7pm  
South Gym

### Graduation

Tuesday, May 15, 7pm  
Stocker Stadium

## Letter from Principal Todd McClaskey

Greetings Wildcat fans, parents and supporters!

This has been a tremendous school year thanks to our fabulous student body, amazing community of supportive parents and a dedicated faculty. I am so proud to be serving all three classes at FMHS. Graduation for the class of 2018 is just around the corner and spring in school means many things: completing a course of study at each grade level, planning for next year's journey, state testing, SAT for juniors, PSAT for sophomores, AP exams, many outdoor extracurricular activities, and finally, honoring our Class of 2018 through various graduation activities.

The community of Fruita Monument is an amazing collection of people, all dedicated to the growth and learning of our high school students. Almost 30% of our seniors have attained academic achievement that qualifies them for Honors in Excellence recognition on May 7<sup>th</sup>. The expectation of excellence is pervasive in the culture of FMHS. Students learn to make positive choices and are held accountable for demonstrating Respect and Responsibility in all they do. We know that these qualities will continue to be ingrained in their thinking and actions in their future. Life on a high school campus is never dull! We appreciate the support we get from parents and community in so many ways.

We hope to see you out supporting Fruita Monument students in action at our spring activities.

Respectfully,

Todd McClaskey, Principal

**IT'S GREAT TO BE A FRUITA MONUMENT WILDCAT!**

## Scholarship Letters

Please bring a copy of scholarship letters that you have received to the Counseling Office and give to Mrs. Whitehead. If you are not planning to attend the school where the scholarship is from, still bring in a copy of that letter. We will have a list of students that have received scholarships in the graduation program. Also, will be having an Academic Signing on April 26, at 10:20 a.m. in the gym where we will honor those students who have received scholarships. Please be sure and have these to Mrs. Whitehead before April 24<sup>th</sup>.

## Bowling Team Success!

Congratulations to the FMHS bowling team, seniors--Taylor Fitzpatrick, Mark McGarry and Collin Hinton, sophomore Trevor Miller, and freshman Jaxon Smith. Taylor Fitzpatrick, Garrett Kruback, and Trevor Miller all qualified to go to the state tournament in Denver in February. Taylor Fitzpatrick, Garrett Kruback, and Trevor Miller also qualified to bowl in the Individuals round for state. Taylor placed 7<sup>th</sup> out of 150 bowlers and bowled a perfect score of 300 this spring in a local tournament.

## From the Health Office

We still have nearly two months of school left, but I just want to remind you that all medications will need to be picked up by Wednesday, May 23, 2018 no later than 3:15 pm. Students are not allowed to pick these up. We DO NOT keep medications of any kind over the summer months and these will be destroyed on Thursday, May 24. This includes inhalers, cough drops, liquid medications, lotions, eye drops etc.

If you have any questions, please call 970-254-6600 and press "5" to get to the health office.

## Catalyst

The Catalyst is accepting applications for reporters for next year's newspaper staff. Interested students can see Mr. Wuster in room 307 for an application or email him at [Trent.Wuster@d51schools.org](mailto:Trent.Wuster@d51schools.org). Check out our website at [www.fruitanews.org](http://www.fruitanews.org) for a sampling of recent stories.

## Community Volunteer Service Cord

The deadline for seniors to turn in community service hours to the Counseling Office is April 24<sup>th</sup>. Students who document 150 hours receive a service volunteer letter. Students who document an additional 100 hours also earn a service cord to wear at graduation. Volunteer hours are not required for graduation. This is an optional program. Please speak to your counselor if you have questions.

## Graduation Updates

Graduation is quickly approaching, please mark your calendars for the following dates:

May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> - Senior Finals

May 11<sup>th</sup> - 8 am to 2 pm Senior Checkout.

May 13<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm Baccalaureate

May 14<sup>th</sup> - 12:00 pm at Stocker Stadium, Graduation Practice, followed by Senior Picnic

May 15<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm at Stocker Stadium, Class of 2018 Graduation

Please turn in scholarships received to the counseling office by April 24. We will need the name of the school that the scholarship is from, and the name of the scholarship, (a copy of the letter would be great). Please include the dollar amount, we do not publish the amount, however, we keep track for records.

Service hours for seniors - If your senior has 250 or more service volunteer hours and wants to receive an Abbey Cord to wear at graduation, please have your senior turn in their service hours to the Counseling Office no later than April 27<sup>th</sup>.

## Band News

Congratulations to The Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble for their performance at the CBA State Qualifying Regional event. The Wind Ensemble was one of 32 bands (out of 112) that qualified for the CBA State Festival and will perform at the Griffin Concert Hall at CSU on Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> year in a row the band has qualified. Congratulations Wildcats!!

During spring break, junior tuba player Parker Burkey traveled to West Texas A&M in Canyon, Texas to compete in the South Central Tuba/Euphonium Conference Student Tuba Solo Competition. There were 6 competitors in Parker's Division from all over the south central United States. Parker had to prepare 3 solos for a total of 30 minutes of music. We are so proud that Parker placed 3rd in Finals. Way to go Parker!

Thank you to everyone who helped with the annual chili dinner/silent auction. The evening was a huge success and was a tremendous help to the FMHS music department.

It is not too late to talk to your counselor and sign up for one of the fantastic ensembles here at FMHS! Anyone, 9-12th grade can sign up for the Wildcat Marching Band, and anyone 10-12th grade can sign up for Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Percussion Ensemble or audition for the Wind Ensemble. If you have any questions about your schedule please do not hesitate to contact me or your counselor! We want to see you here at the FMHS Band program!

**Marching Band:** Please check the FMHS Band page for the dates for the 2018 season!

**Placement for all concert and jazz bands:** Will be held the end of April. Please check the FMHS Band homepage for dates and materials under the Resources tab.

More questions?

[www.fmhsbands.com](http://www.fmhsbands.com)

## Prostart

ProStart is the college credited hospitality program with a major focus on Culinary offered to 31 high schools state wide. It has been part of FMHS for a number of years under the direction of more than 5 different teachers or chefs. It was canceled this year due to lack of enrollment. There has been a push by the teacher and students to recruit for next year.

Mrs. Tennant had the privilege of taking 5 potential ProStart Students to the state competition on March 1-2, 2018. Aaron Roth, Taylor Young, Jack Seriani, Jayleen Griffis, and Taylor Barnhill were the lucky 5. They learned a lot about the competition we will participate in next year and already have started on their ideas to create their own restaurant and unique and high quality recipes they want to try for the competitions. The trip provided an opportunity to taste a new cuisine for most of them, Vietnamese, and a chance to stay in a big town 5 star hotel.

If your student is interested in the hospitality industry, would like to earn up to 6 university credits through Metro State University, would enjoy culinary or management competition, is a team player, knows how to cook, and loves to travel, this class is for them!! It is a yearlong block class and upon completion ProStart certification is available when specific criteria is met that is accepted at more than 75 colleges and universities across the nation for credit within the industry program. For more information contact Mrs. Tennant at [Cheryl.tennant@d51schools.org](mailto:Cheryl.tennant@d51schools.org)

## FCCLA

FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) has had an eventful year. For the past three months, Fruita Monument's FCCLA group has been working on STAR Events. (Students Taking Action with Recognition) for competition at state conference coming up April 5-7. We have 2 students, Jayleen Griffis and Madison Docter, working on an event to increase membership in our chapter called Promote and Publicize. Announcements, posters, Facebook, Twitter, and Snap Chat Accounts, and a new member meeting have been set up to make FCCLA more visible in the school community. FMHS FCCLA is combined with Fruita 8/9 and one student from that school, Lilly Morris, created her own dessert, Rose Flavored Turkish Delights, to compete with at State Conference. We have adopted a student, Isabelle Basham, from another middle school in the valley to be a member of our FCCLA group. She has made a dress out of story book pages!! She will compete in a STAR event titled Recycle and Redesign. Good luck to all our competitors.

Three of our students, Bouiey Hin, Jack Seriani, and Daniella Boto have qualified to take their STAR event to National Conference to be held June 28-July 2 in Atlanta, GA!! Congratulations to these three amazing FCCLA leaders!!

One of FCCLA's focus is community service. We held a children's book drive just before Christmas to collect books for homeless and underprivileged children in the valley. We also participated in the Halloween trunk or treat at Fruita Monument High School on October 31.

Bake sales, popcorn sales, working the concession stand have all been part of our fundraising events. This will continue to be the main focus of our group the rest of the year to earn enough money to send our members on to National conference this summer.

Every FCCLA member does their fair share of work on each project that is given to us. We all help each other with participation in the school, community. Fruita FCCLA is small, but so far has made a decent impact in the lives of the students it has touched. We'd love more members so please encourage your student to come check us out Wednesdays after school in room 505 or contact Mrs. Tennant at FMHS or Mrs. Basham at the 8/9.

## Athletics and Activities

**Congratulations to all the Winter Sports for an exciting season:** Boys and Girls Basketball had outstanding seasons winning the SWL and doing well in the playoffs, Swimming won the District for the first time in awhile. Wrestling also had so many individuals do well, it was fun to watch. Thank you fans for supporting all these teams.

Individuals that made First Team All Conference:

Boys Basketball: Trey Morrill, Daren Davidson

Girls Basketball: Riley Snyder, Angelique Gall,

Wrestling: Jacob Kiefer 126#, Joseph Barnes 138#, Keegan Bailey 195#, Casey Hudson 285#

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR ATHLETES!!!

Spring Sports are going strong and we look forward to a successful season. Come out and support the kids.

We apologize for any website issues that have occurred during this year. Right now we ask for your patience as we are in the process of finding a website provider that can handle the issues we are experiencing with our current website. Watch in the near future for a new website that will meet our needs. We will keep you informed. Thank you for your Patience.

Denny Squibb Athletic Director

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WAY TO GO, WILDCATS!

## THE GERMANS ARE COMING!!

The 28<sup>th</sup> annual FMHS-F8/9 German – American Exchange is happening now!

On March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 23 German students will be visiting our schools. Host students from both schools will be introducing them to our classrooms and our community.

While here, they will attend classes, visit some of our tourist sites, and learn how American teenagers live.

On the flip side, some of our students (Michael Ash, Jeremiah Brink, and Gaither Bynum) will be going to Germany at the end of the school year to do the same there.

We are changing the world one student at a time!

So if you see them, welcome them to Fruita!