

# Fruita Monument High School



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## Important Dates:

3/7 - 3/9— Spring  
Musical: Beauty and  
the Beast

Tues. 3/12 — Music  
Chili Dinner

3/14-15— In-service  
work days

3/18– 3/22—Spring  
Break



# THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

WITH NEWT KLUSMIRE

## Hello Wildcat Families and Community,

It's hard to believe, but learners and staff are preparing to enter the 4th and final quarter of the school year. When we return from Spring Break, graduating seniors will only have 31 days of instruction before Senior checkout and graduation week. Needless to say, the spring will fly by...so hold on tight!



## 9th Grade Reconfiguration

As a staff, FMHS continues to prepare to welcome 9th graders back into the building. Our 9th Grade Transition team is focussed on preserving our culture and strengthening our programs in three focus areas: 1) 9th Grade Supports, 2) Programming and Pathways, and 3) Common Behavior Expectations. In the coming weeks, we will be sending a welcome mailer to all new Wildcats and will have a Future Wildcat Night on April 18th, the same night as P/T Conferences, from 6-7:30. We look forward to this new opportunity for our school and community.

## Wildcat Excellence

Per usual, our high achieving athletics and extracurriculars have been on full display this Winter. Whether it's our eight students who were recognized with a Scholastic Art Award, our currently undefeated Boys' Basketball team who is heading to the Great Eight this week, our five wrestlers who placed in the top six at state, our Girls' Basketball Team who won the Southwest League, our Girl Swimmers who represented us at state, or our two Band Students who were nominated to the Colorado All State Band, everyone at FMHS is proud of all the accomplishments of our hard working students, both in and out of the classroom. There are so many more accomplishments that could be listed here, proof that it is always great to be a Fruita Monument Wildcat.

## Spring Musical

This year, our Drama Department is proud to perform *Beauty and the Beast* from March 7-9 at 7pm in the FMHS Auditorium. Under the direction of Christian Herring, this is sure to be a fun, family friendly show. Tickets can be purchased at [fmhs.ludus.com](http://fmhs.ludus.com). We hope to see you all there.

Follow us on Instagram for fun updates on all the great things going on at FMHS, @fruitamonumenthigh. Also, use the QR Code below to check out the We Are Fruita! Video many of our clubs participated in to increase student belonging across FMHS.



# D51 Outstanding School for Academic Growth

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12TH ANNUAL WHITE ICED CELEBRATION

## OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC GROWTH SCHOOLS



Redlands Middle School, Fruita Monument High School, Broadway Elementary School, Palisade High School, Loma Elementary School, Lincoln OM Elementary School

**Way to go Wildcats**

# February Staff Member of the Month

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Congratulations, Brittany Metz! Brittany does a ton for FMHS and the FMHS community as our instructional coach. Her nominations shared how essential of a support she is to our staff and community. Congrats, Brittany!



# Senior Kiwanis Student of the Month

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Congratulations, Kendyll Wilkinson

## Scholastic Art Award

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Maddie Bullock just received a scholarship from UNC for her award winning Scholastic Art Portfolio! If you see her, please congratulate her. She so deserves this honor.

**Way to go Wildcats**

# MESA Club

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MESA Club has been busy! They have extended the stage in the auditorium to increase safety for shows as well as students and staff crossing the stage. Stage additions were done in time for this Year's main attraction in the auditorium, Beauty and the Beast.

Upon completion, MESA members are working on two more projects

1. Making ADA accessible walkways at Moon Farm
2. Working with KEY club to begin creating a hydroponic community garden

For more information about our projects, feel free to reach out to Jonathan Overbye at [joverbye@d51schools.org](mailto:joverbye@d51schools.org)

## Way to go Wildcats

# Project Bike Tech

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Bike Tech has been able to give away a few bikes to date.

This is Rainie helping out a neighborhood friend.

The following is a note from a teacher across the district who helped a CMU student who was in desperate need of transportation to continue their educational journey...

“Good Morning! The bike was delivered last night and the CMU student was so grateful! Apparently she was skipping and jumping around. :) This bike will allow her to continue in the program and also keep her job in order to support herself. Thank you for setting us up!”



This is just the beginning of our awesome Fruita Monument High School Project Bike Tech students doing great thing in and around our community.

To continue this journey we are gearing up to have our first annual bike giveaway (proposed date is 04/24/24). Students have been working diligently to prepare our first wave of bikes. More information to follow.

**Way to go Wildcats**



# Athletic Rundown

## Boys Athletics

Boys Basketball finished their season 25-1 and made the Elite 8

Our Wrestlers finished #8 in the State at 5A with 4 state placers!

## Girls Athletics

Girls Basketball finished a great season at 19-4.

Our Girl's Wrestlers finished #2 in the State 5A with 2 state placers!

Our Swim Team represented us well at State with Kendall Wilkinson making the finals in both the 100 & 200 Freestyle.

## Announcements

Visit us at our Athletic Website for all the information you need to get involved here at Fruita Monument.

Join Esports!

Join a spring sport!

Join one of our over 30 Clubs offered and get involved in your school!

**Good luck to all our Teams!**



## FMHS AP Lunch Study Sessions



December 2023	January 2024	February 2024
12/6 Biology 12/7 US History 12/14 Psychology 12/15 Art & Design*	1/17 Biology 1/24 Calculus AB 1/31 English Language	2/2 Art & Design* 2/7 US History 2/13 English Literature 2/14 Calculus AB 2/21 Art History 2/26 Precalculus (periods 1, 3, 5) 2/27 Precalculus (periods 4, 6) 2/28 English Language
March 2024	April 2024	May 2024
3/6 US Government 3/11 Precalculus (periods 1, 3, 5) 3/12 Precalculus (periods 4, 6) 3/13 US History 3/26 English Literature 3/27 English Language 3/28 Art History 3/28 Calculus AB	4/4 Statistics 4/8 Precalculus (periods 1, 3, 5) 4/9 Precalculus (periods 4, 6) 4/10 Art History 4/10 Biology 4/10 US Government 4/11 Statistics 4/15 Chemistry 4/16 US History 4/18 Psychology 4/22 Chemistry 4/23 English Literature 4/24 English Language 4/24 US Government 4/25 Statistics 4/26 Psychology 4/29 Chemistry 4/30 Calculus AB	5/1 Art History 5/1 Biology 5/1 US Government 5/1 Precalculus (all periods)* 5/2 Psychology 5/2 Statistics 5/3 Art & Design* 5/3 English Literature

\* takes place after school

March 7th, 8th, 9th  
7 pm

### Ticket Prices

Adults - \$12

Students 11 and up - \$9

Children 6 thru 10 - \$6

Tickets available at

[FMHS.ludus.com](http://FMHS.ludus.com)



Cash only available at  
the door; limited seating  
is available



Fruita Monument Highschool presents  
Disney's  
*Beauty  
and the Beast*

# Beauty and the Beast

Produced by Special Arrangement with Music Theater International

### Main cast

Megan Davis and Lauren Scott

As Belle

Jacob Malnar

As The Beast

David Espinoza

As Gaston

Karter Jewell

As LeFou

Chase Iyfton

As Lumiere

Rainie Pearce

As Cogsworth

Maya Hall and Megan Formicola

As Mrs. Potts

Abigail Johnson

As Chip

Makayla McWilliams

As Babete

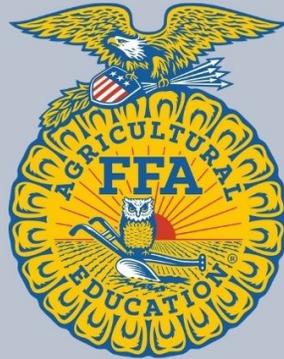
Three teacher cameos



MAKING OUR MARK

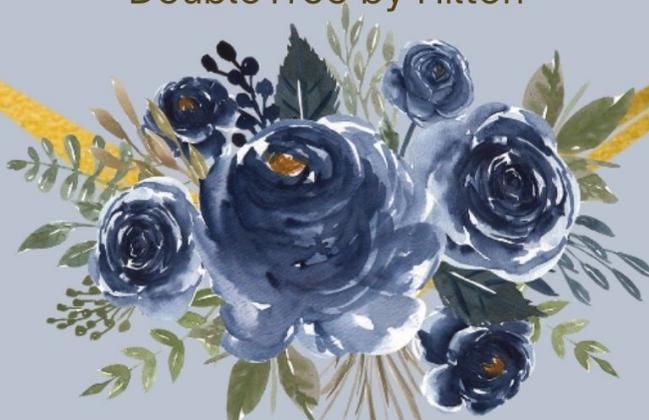
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81ST ANNUAL BANQUET



**April 13th, 2024**

6pm at the Grand Junction  
DoubleTree by Hilton





# PALETTE NIGHT

BY: ART CLUB

THEME - LONGING FOR SUMMERTIME



In Mrs. Sturrock's room

Wed. March 6th

1st time ~ 4:00 - 5:30

2nd time ~ 6:00 - 7:30



Or you can scan this QR code to RSVP

## RSVP

You can email Mrs. Sturrock

[Nicole.Sturrock@d51schools.org](mailto:Nicole.Sturrock@d51schools.org)

## FMHS Tennis Booster Opportunity



**Show your support for Wildcat tennis with a proudly displayed sign, high on the Fruita tennis court fences!  
Signs stay up for 2 years!**

- \$200 - Show your family or business's support with a 2-foot sign!\*
- You can put individual names and graduation dates for FMHS alumni if you choose!



- \$600 - Put up your business logo on a larger 4 foot sign!\*



\*Sample photos from Pueblo Central HS. Ours will have Powercat logo and read "Wildcat Tennis Booster"

# SPECIAL OLYMPIC T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

Hello Fruita Monument High School family,

We created a unique t-shirt to show support for our Special Olympic athletes. If you would like to make a purchase the shirts will be \$12. Please return this form with the money by March 25th to FMHS front office or Wendy Smith at FMHS. We will get the shirts made and delivered by April 26th.



Please circle size

Unisex-Adult: S M L XL \_\_\_\_\_ Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash, Mypayment plus, or Check \_\_\_\_\_

(You can also pay with Mypaymentplus if you are a student.)

Orders are due March 25, 2024

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Wildcat Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

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