

Falcon News

Special Interest Articles:

- How to apply to FSE
- Mayor Sly James came to visit
- Art Extravaganza coming up

Frontier School of Excellence
5605 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110

Phone: 816-822-1331
Fax: 816-822-1332

Testing Season In Full Swing...

With every Spring comes the ever-important state testing. The various state tests are crucial to our students' achievements because they give specific targets for instruction at each grade level, so teachers know what needs to be taught, and children and their parents know what students are expected to learn.

With the exception of the Seniors, all FSE students have invested months of

preparation in order to succeed on these exams. Between the Juniors taking the ACT, all middle school students taking the MAP, and various classes taking the EOC, we applaud their diligence and encourage everyone to keep up the great work.

Congratulations on your work thus far, and *good luck* on future tests!



Accepting Applications for 2015-2016!

Here at Frontier School of Excellence, we are already gearing up for an amazing 2015-2016 school year! We are anxiously awaiting everyone's return and excited to see some new faces. In fact, we are still inviting prospective students to tour the school and apply for next year.

During the application process, the school focused on three main criteria: grades, attendance, and behavior. To guarantee our school's

mission is carried out, we accept highly qualified students with unlimited potential.

Once accepted, the prospective student is to complete a placement test to ensure proper placement in the appropriate classes.

Please note that students must live within the boundaries of the Kansas City School District and cannot be granted admission unless all registration documents are completed and

submitted to the school.

If you or your family knows of others interested in joining our **FALCON FAMILY**, feel free to contact Ms. Natalia Contreras in the front office at FSE at 816-822-1331.



Language Festival

The 1st annual Foreign Language Festival was held Friday, April 24th at the new STEM High School.

To the Left: Amy Morales, Juan Alvarado, Hillary Gonzalez-Sandiego, Tamia Perkins, Jose Soto, and Tedeja Dean performed a traditional Colombian dance.

Approximately 25 FSE students presented songs, poems, and dances in

French, Spanish, and Turkish. All of the students did a great job and everyone who participated received a medal.

They had a lot of fun showing off their skills to parents, classmates, and teachers in the audience. Everyone is looking forward to doing this again next year.

To the right: Juan Alvarado smirks for the camera!



“They asked intelligent questions, which they generated without my help...”

Mayor Sly James Visited FSE!

Mayor Sly James visited our Government class on Wednesday, April 1st. The students prepared a list of questions for the mayor. The following are the students' and the questions we had time to ask.

Tedeja - What do you think can be done to encourage young Kansas Citians to participate in government and vote?

Eliab - How do you feel about the gentrification that has been occurring in Kansas City?

Elizabeth - What advice do you have for students preparing to graduate?

Aleshia - If we participate in the Bright Futures program, does that increase our chances of getting a job with the company we worked for after graduation?

Khadro - How can you

solve everyone's problems?

Overall, I feel that the mayor was very impressed with the questions students asked and he took his time in answering them. In the case of Tedeja, he even passed along his business card, encouraging her to contact his office to share her ideas for encouraging the youth of Kansas City to become more politically involved.

With Eliab's question, he explained gentrification and made sure to point out the differences between that and progress, as well as the very fine line between these two things.

He encouraged soon to be graduates to take the time to study and apply themselves, and to take advantage of teachers who

want to help them grow.

He shared information about the Bright Futures program, but also encouraged Aleshia to share her experience with the program to get other kids interested.

Khadro asked the tough question of how do you solve everyone's problems....and he admitted that he can't. But what he can do is listen to the people of the city and try to improve Kansas City. He cited statistics from the past decade concerning city commerce, growth and people's overall satisfaction with living here.

They students were AMAZING! They asked intelligent questions, which they generated without my help and were the perfect audience.



Art Extravaganza Soon—“Adventure Through Art”

On Friday, May 15th, from 4-6 p.m., Frontier School of Excellence will be hosting its first annual Art Extravaganza with the help of our talented Art teacher, Ms. Amsler. Invite all of your friends and families—especially

children—because it's sure to be a very fun evening!

Join us as we take an “Adventure Through Art,” and see what our students have created in their Art classes.

There will be stations set up in classrooms for toddlers, adults, and everyone in between to create face masks, participate in face painting, construct 3-D art cupcakes, and tons of other activities!