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Falcon News

Important notes:

- Grade cards will be mailed after October 9th
- Get your 2014-2015 Yearbook now! Order at the Front Office
- Yearbook photos will be taken on Nov 11!!!

Important Highlights:

Yearbook photos
AR Quizzes
ALEKS Program

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Congratulations to Student Council!!!

High School

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Mr. Mark Barber

What a September to Remember!
We have kicked off a lot of new activities at Frontier School of Excellence. We have a homework club for high school students, we have a chess club for all students, we have a middle school soccer club, and we are starting a Math Counts competition team and an FSE choir.

Our students are working hard on their work as progress reports went out this month. It is critical that students in high school keep their G.P.A. up to help them with opportunities in their junior and senior years.

Finally, we are preparing for state testing in December for our high school students. All English II, Biology, Algebra I, and Government students will be taking a state EOC.

English Department

We are halfway through the 1st quarter!

Students in all grades have been working to learn, understand, and further deepen their skills of annotating text. This helps students to interact with all types of texts we read! This is a critical skill for students to have in order to be college and career ready.

Students at all grade levels need to be reading every night at home in order to reach their individual AR reading goal by the end of the nine-week grading period.

Accelerated Reader is worth 20% of your child's overall English grade. If your child needs help finding a novel to read, do not hesitate to contact your child's English teacher. We are more than willing to help him/her find a book they will like.

"(AR) quizzes can be taken from 7:30am-8:00am every day"

Math Department

Aleks is in full swing in the math department! So many of our students have been making progress towards their 20% goal for first quarter. Many of the teachers are seeing a rise in student comprehension since the beginning of the school year because of the Aleks Program.

Remember, students can work on the program at home as long as they are not on a Knowledge Check. Our middle school students will be taking the NWEA the last week of September. This test helps us to know where the students are academically, and helps us determine what we

need to do to help them. Additional Resources: Khanacademy.org – Website with lots of instructional videos, log in to get a personalized pathway through math. Math-Play.com – Website with math games that cover topics through Algebra 1.

Note from the Nurse

Victoria Edwards, FSE's school nurse, kindly requests everyone's assistance going into cold and flu season. We're accepting donations for Kleenex tissues, hand sanitizer, and disinfectant sprays and wipes. Please

help us keep the students and staff healthy this winter! Thank you!

If you received letters about your students Immunization records they need to bring in the updated records or proof

of shots ASAP! If you marked that your student has any Medical concerns such as Allergies, Asthma, Sickle Cell Diabetes etc. please bring something in writing from your Child's Doctor to school.

Science Department

Sixth graders are learning about weathering and erosion. They are going to declare a week for soil conservation awareness, so keep your eyes open in the halls for posters about this. Seventh graders are discovering what matter is made of and how atoms change into ions. They are also learning the structure of the atom and

how the subatomic particles give each atom unique characteristics.

Eighth grade just took the NWEA test for science, looking forward to see the results of this test. They are currently learning about cells and the processes of photosynthesis, cellular respiration, active and passive transport.

Social Studies Department

Exciting times in the Social Studies department! Ms. Frye recently conducted middle and high school student council elections.

Congratulations to our winners!

In Ms. Kenepaske's psychology class, the students have been

creating models of the human brain.

Ms. May's Contemporary History class recently took a field trip to the National WWI Museum and Memorial. They had an opportunity to explore the museum, as well as participate in a "hands on history" activity in

which they were able to hold and examine pieces from the era. Ms. May is excited to announce that the same class was asked back to the museum in October to participate in a community forum discussing democracy and the entry of the U.S. into WWI.

Specials' Department

Fall Athletics are underway! Currently FSE is fielding a girls JV and Varsity volleyball team with games starting September 21st. The middle school boys have an opportunity to participate in intramural soccer after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. There is an activity bus that will take students home on those days if they choose to stay after.

However, students must have appropriate gear (cleats or turf shoes, shin guards, and a change of clothing from the P.E. uniform) to participate.

Winter sports will be here before we know it! Those sports include boys and girls basketball and cheerleading. If students are interested in participating in those sports they will need a

sports physical dated after February 1, 2015. In October there will be a Sports Physical Day where students will have a chance to get their physical after school. The cost is \$10 per student. Please be listening to school announcements for this date.

"I hope to see many come out to support our FSE Falcons this season!"