



# Frazier School District

e-Communications

February 2020

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*“Inspire and Empower”*



# Parent/ Guardian Trainings

**Topic:** State Assessments

**Location:** Frazier Middle School Gymnasium

**Date & Time:** February 3, 2020 - 5:00 pm

**Description:** This is an informative session about the upcoming State Assessments in grades 3-8 and High School. Information will include general information about the assessments and an overview of how the assessment results are utilized.

**Topic:** Understanding Your Child's Challenging Behavior and Escalation Cycle

**Location:** 1 Intermediate Unit Drive, Coal Center PA 15423

**Date & Time:** February 7, 2020 - 12:30-2:30pm

**Description:** Training is geared to parents/guardians of students that exhibit challenging behaviors in the home, school, or community. Parents will be given an overview of principles of behavior and escalation cycles. Trainers will provide strategies and resources for behavior prevention and intervention. Teachers and other professionals are welcome to accompany parents and attend as a "team" if desired by the district.

**Topic:** Transition Series for Families, Youth, & Educators: Agency Services and Programs

**Location:** 1 Intermediate Unit Drive, Coal Center PA 15423

**Date & Time:** February 12, 2020 - 1:00pm with James Walsh of OVR

**Description:** To inform and educate families and youth on transition related topics including postsecondary education and training, employment, independent living, and self-determination.

**Topic:** Teaching Behaviors for Daily Living to your Child with Special Needs

**Location:** 1 Intermediate Unit Drive, Coal Center PA 15423

**Date & Time:** March 27, 2020 - 12:30-2:30pm

**Description:** This training is designed to equip parents with evidence-based teaching practices for independent living skills that children need to acquire to be successful in the home, school, and community. Trainers will review with participants the basic Applied Behavior Analysis principles. Participants will learn teaching practices for skills such as feeding, toileting, and sleeping. Take-away resources for implementing these strategies at home will be provided.

**Contact Amanda Law at [alaw@fraziersd.org](mailto:alaw@fraziersd.org) or 724-736-9507 x109 to reserve space for trainings at IU1.**

# **Frazier High School**

## **Commodores to Compete in Autonomous Vehicle Project**

Commodores will be working on an autonomous vehicle project that will engage them in an exciting project that purposely blends engineering, science, math and advancing technologies. Frazier High School was awarded an affordable and unique project focused on engineering, science and technology in an authentic, real world, leading edge focus, through a grant. This grant will link excellent teaching and learning practices with increasing corporate demands for skilled, creative and energetic employees.



Frazier's High School students incorporate innovation and creativity into their redesign of a "Power Wheels Jeep" to create an autonomous vehicle capable of various mission challenges relative to safe autonomous navigation. Each team will receive the vehicle and may spend up to \$1,000 in solving the missions. Each design team is required to develop a plan to excite 100 younger students about engineering, science, and math around the IVD project in their school (Square One engineering ambassadors) and deliver the project prior to Competition Day. Only completed ambassadorship programs can be fully scored.

## **Frazier High School receives bow grant**

Commodores can be expecting to learn the fundamentals of archery in physical education classes starting in the 2020-21 school year. The National Archery in the Schools Program is an in-school program aimed at improving educational performance among high school students. And through it, students are learning focus, self-control, discipline, patience, and the life lessons required to be successful in the classroom and in life.

Within the archery curriculum, units of study were written by Education, Conservation, and Target archery experts to meet state and national educational standards. This curriculum will allow physical education teachers to speak the language who intend on teaching core content throughout the school day. These units were designed for inclusion in a school's Physical Education curriculum and will be implemented within the high school's physical education classes beginning during the 2020-21 school year.

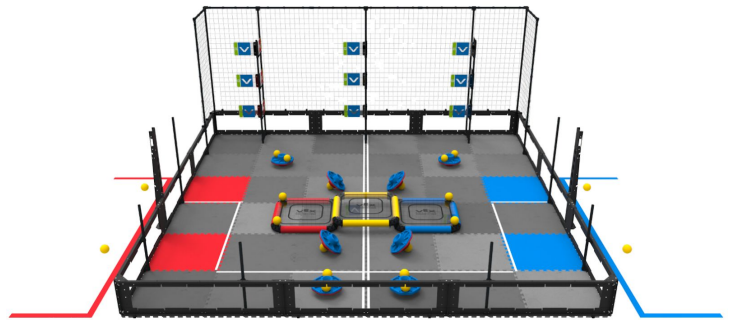
This opportunity has been provided from a \$1500 grant from the Pennsylvania Game Commission and another \$500 grant from the Easton Foundation.

## Frazier High School Planning to Host VEX Robotics Competition

Plans are in the works for Frazier High School to host a VEX Robotics Competition in the 2020-21 school year. The [VEX Robotics Competition](#), presented by the Robotics Education & Competition Foundation, is the largest and fastest growing middle school and high school robotics program globally with more than 20,000 teams from 50 countries playing in over 1,700 competitions worldwide. Each year, an exciting engineering challenge is presented in the form of a game. Students, with guidance from their teachers and mentors, build innovative robots and compete year-round.

In addition to learning valuable engineering skills, students gain life skills such as teamwork, perseverance, communication, collaboration, project management, and critical thinking. The VEX Robotics Competition prepares students to become future innovators with 95% of participants reporting an increased interest in STEM subject areas and pursuing STEM-related careers.

The high school recently received a grant to purchase VEX rings, robots, and equipment necessary for the competition, along with donations from a GoFundMe fundraiser.



## Calendar of Events

February 3 - Act 80 Day / Parent Teacher Conferences

February 4 - National Honor Society Induction

February 11 - Blood Drive (email Ms. Day for more information @ [rday@fraziersd.org](mailto:rday@fraziersd.org))

February 14 - Valentines Day

February 17 - Presidents Day (No School)

## Shout Out

Congratulations to Emily Patch, Dylan Slebodnik, Nick Sinal ,and Ryan McWilliams who were selected for the WVU Honors Band on February 15.



## Band News

The Frazier Band will be marching in the Pittsburgh Saint Patrick's Day Parade on March 14, 2020.

Frazier Band members, Emily Patch (clarinet), Zane Whitehead (percussion), and Ryan McWilliams (tuba), were chosen to perform with the Pittsburgh Symphony

Orchestra in their March 2020 Side by Side concert. The students will practice with the symphony throughout February and perform in March. They will receive personal coaching from their section and will perform alongside the symphony. They will be performing music by Edvard Grieg and others. This concert is free and open to the public. To reserve your seats, please visit the PSO box office or call 412-392-4900.



# Frazier MIDDLE SCHOOL

## February Dates to Remember

**FEB. 3 - Parent/Teacher conferences (12:00 - 7:30)**

**FEB. 7 - MS ASSEMBLY Program - CLO "FIRST IN FLIGHT"**

**FEB 14 - MS Valentines Day Dance (2:15 - 4:15)**

**FEB 17 - Presidents - SCHOOL CLOSED**



## National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony



On January 9th, the Frazier Middle School held the annual NJHS Induction Ceremony. Congratulations to our newly inducted



members. Twenty one new members were inducted THIS year BRINGING our TOTAL membership to FORTY SIX. SPECIAL THANK YOU TO MRS. KLOOCK FOR HOSTING a WONDERFUL evening.

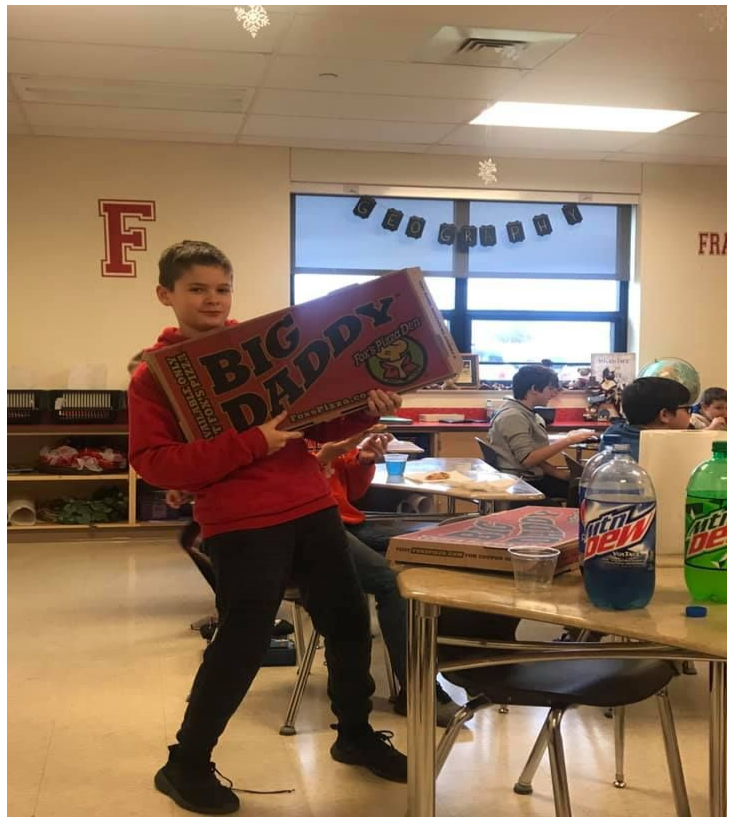
## Annual Classroom Door Contest



BEFORE LEAVING FOR BREAK, MRS. JOHNSON'S GRADE SIX CLASS WON THE ANNUAL DOOR CONTEST. IN CASE YOU AREN'T AWARE, EACH YEAR STUDENTS DECORATE THEIR HOMEROOM DOORS FOR THE HOLIDAYS, IT HAS BECOME QUITE AN EVENT. THIS YEAR



our theme was Dr. Seuss! congratulations to Mrs. Johnson and Her Homeroom as they were awarded their PIZZA PARTY in January!











After coming back from a much needed break, Mrs. Johnson's class thoroughly enjoyed their pizza party for the best door!



## **SPREADING HOLIDAY CHEER!**



**THE MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND PERFORMED SOME SPECIAL HOLIDAY MUSIC FOR THE STUDENT BODY AND STAFF JUST BEFORE LEAVING FOR BREAK! IT WAS A PLEASURE LISTENING TO THESE YOUNG MUSICIANS. WELL DONE MR. GERNEY!**

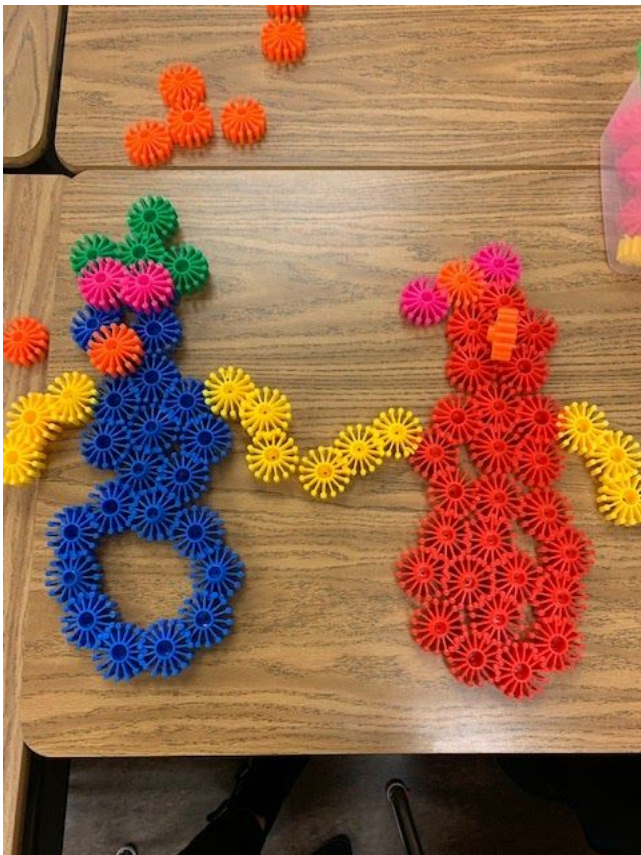
# Frazier Elementary School

February 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Happy Groundhog Day 	3 In-Service Parent /Teacher Conferences 4:30 - 7:30 	4	5	6	7 PTO Meeting 9:00AM & 6:00 PM At Borough Building	8
9	10	11	12	13  Life Touch Spring Pictures	14 Valentine's Day Celebration 	15 ← Spring Fundraiser Due Friday 2/14/18 ←
16	17 President's Day  No School	18	19	20	21  Mr Yuk Program Grade 1 1:30-2:30	22

23	24	25	26	27	28	29
				 Grades- Pre-K, K, 1st, & 2nd	 Grades - 3rd, 4th, & 5th	

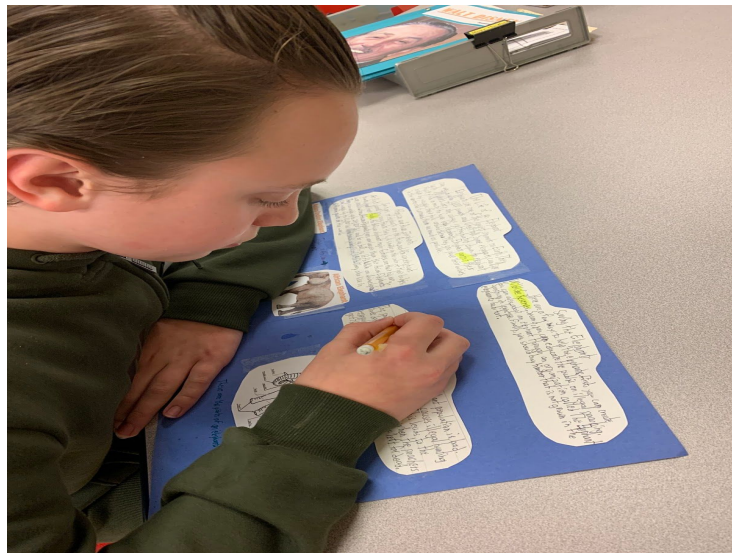
## Do You Want To Build a Snowman?

After returning from break, 5th grade students were asked the question "Do you want to build a snowman"? Students worked in groups in their Tinker class using the tinker kits that were donated by the Frazier Elementary PTO and created their artistic representations of snowmen.

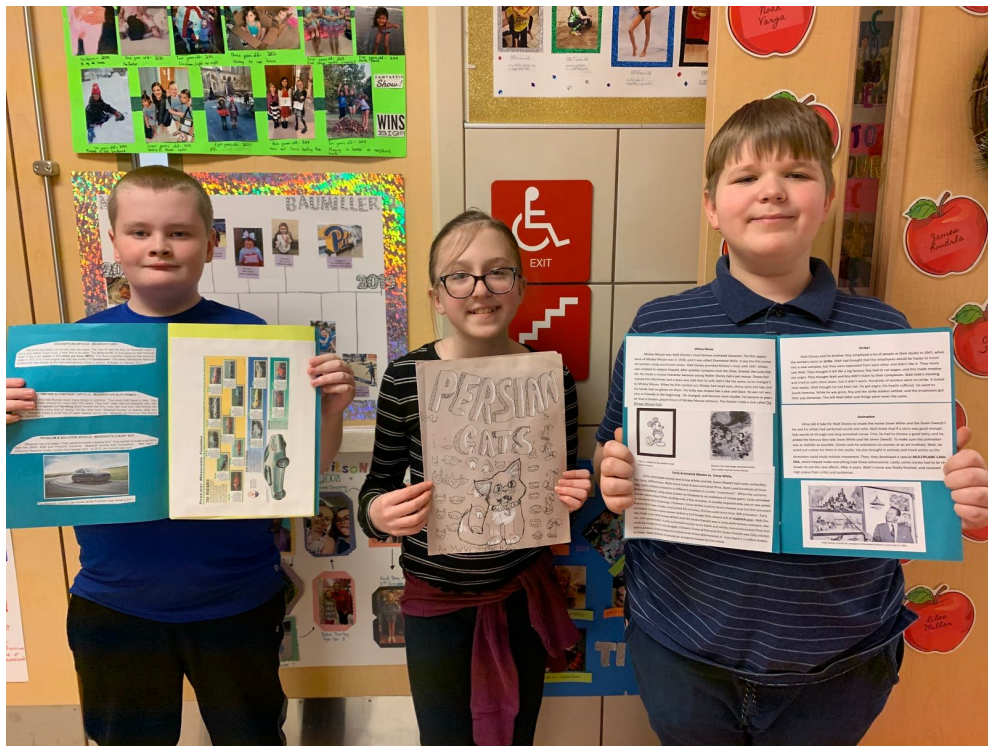


## MINI MAGAZINES - 5TH GRADE PROJECT-BASED LEARNING

As a culminating project to end the study of informational nonfiction texts, Mrs. Morsey's 5th grade students created their very own Mini Magazines. Students chose a topic that interested them, researched information about that topic, and then had to write five different articles about the topic. Each of the articles were written in a different informational text structure. Also, each student had to design a cover, include a graphic source related to the topic, include two pictures, with accompanying captions, and create a glossary of domain specific vocabulary words that they used in their articles. The students seemed to really enjoy learning and writing about the topics that interested them!







## MAKING TOYS - 5TH GRADE PROJECT-BASED LEARNING

Students in Mrs. Teresa Brown's fifth grade science class designed, created, and presented toys that demonstrate an energy transformation. The students' prototypes were ranked by creativity and structural integrity, and the top 5 were invited to present their projects to the ultimate toy judges- Mrs. Brown's niece and nephew!





**The PBS KIDS Writers Contest encourages children in grades K through 5 to submit their own original illustrated stories for great prizes. To find out more about the WQED Writers Contest, please visit the following:**

<https://www.wqed.org/education/writers-contest>

<https://www.wqed.org/education/writers-contest/resources>

[https://www.wqed.org/sites/default/files/education/Writers\\_Contest\\_2020\\_Rules.pdf](https://www.wqed.org/sites/default/files/education/Writers_Contest_2020_Rules.pdf)

Student Resources:

[https://www.wqed.org/sites/default/files/education/wc\\_resources\\_4th5th%20%28REBRANDED%20for%202017%29.pdf](https://www.wqed.org/sites/default/files/education/wc_resources_4th5th%20%28REBRANDED%20for%202017%29.pdf)

# Spring Craft Show

Sat, April 4, 2020 \* 9AM-3PM

Frazier Elementary School

142 Constitution St. Perryopolis, PA 15473

**Vendors and Crafters Wanted!**

**\$25/Space**

**No Duplicate Name Brands!**

**Examples would be: Paparazzi, Color Street, Avon, Thirty One,  
Pink Zebra**

**Please email Rachel Crabtree at: [NEHS@fraziersd.org](mailto:NEHS@fraziersd.org)  
for more information and vendor registration forms.  
Registration Deadline Monday, March 2, 2020.**





Sponsored by:  
The Frazier Elementary National Honor  
Society

## **"Play Me a Song!" - Mrs. Dascoli's Donors Choose Request**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please help us raise money to purchase an electric keyboard/piano that will benefit ALL students at Frazier Elementary. As you may know, Mrs. Dascoli teaches Pre-K to Grade 5 Music Education. This instrument would be an appreciated addition to the elementary music program.

If you would like to make a donation, please visit:

**DonorChoose.org:**

***"Play Me a Song!" - Mrs. Dascoli's Donors Choose Request***

**If you donate by February 5, 2020, your donation will be doubled thanks to DonorsChoose.org.** Just enter the promo code **LIFTOFF** on the payment page and you'll be matched dollar for dollar (up to \$50). You are still able to donate after February 5, however, the donation will not be matched.



**Any and all donations will be very much appreciated. THANK YOU!**

## **100TH DAY OF SCHOOL**

And the tradition continues! The 5th grade students dressed as 100 year old men and women in celebration of the 100th day of school that took place on January 29, 2020.





# ***SAVE THE DATE!***

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2020**

**Frazier Elementary School** *will be hosting an evening event on May 20, 2020 as part of the Remake Learning Days Across America 2020 educational festival.*

**Remake Learning Days Across America** is one of the world's largest open house for hands-on learning for youth, families, grandparents and educators to discover creative ways of learning. We hope to see you there!

*For more information: please visit:*

<https://remakelearningdays.org/about/what-is-remake-learning-days/>

*Thank you for taking the time to learn about the Frazier School District.*

[www.frazierschooldistrict.org](http://www.frazierschooldistrict.org)

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