



Frazier School District

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December 2019

“Inspire and Empower”



District News

The Frazier School District is proud to announce the partnership with Chestnut Ridge Counseling Services and Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration to offer School Based Services to students district-wide. This month, the District will begin to offer School Based Services to students during the school day at the Elementary, Middle, and High School. For questions, or to initiate services, please contact: _____.



School Based Services

Helping Students Succeed

100 New Salem Road Suite 116

Uniontown, PA 15401

Phone: (724) 437-0729 ext. 307



Goals of School Based Services

- Accessibility to services within the community
- Assisting and supporting students with developing positive coping strategies
- Promoting positive peer and family interactions
- Developing pro-social and adaptive strategies for success in the school setting



What is school based therapy?

School Based outpatient therapy is mental health therapy provided at school during the course of the student's day. The student is referred to a school based therapist who will see the student during the school day for individual therapy for identified behavioral health problems.

Therapy can be provided in the school setting while maintaining the same confidentiality standards of traditional outpatient therapists.

Referrals for school based services can be made by school personnel, the SAP team, the student, other CRCSI programs, and/or a family member.

What is the cost?

Most insurances cover therapy services. If you have an insurance that does not, you can meet with one of our agency financial counselors to further discuss your options, including potential funding sources.

School based services are available at the following licensed satellite sites in Fayette County:

Connellsville Area School District:

Connellsville Area High School
Connellsville Area Junior High School

Fayette County Career and Technical Institute

Laurel Highlands School District:

Laurel Highlands High School
Laurel Highlands Middle School
R.W. Clark Elementary School
Hatfield Elementary School
Hutchinson Elementary School
Marshall Elementary School

Uniontown Area School District:

Uniontown Area High School
AJ McMullen Middle School
Ben Franklin Elementary/Middle School
Lafayette Elementary/Middle School
Menallen Elementary/Middle School
Marclay Elementary School
Wharton Elementary School
Franklin Elementary School

Albert Gallatin School District:

Albert Gallatin North Middle School
Albert Gallatin South Middle School

Frazier School District

Frazier High School
Frazier Middle School
Frazier Elementary



Areas targeted in treatment include, but are not limited to the following:

- Attention deficits
- Problematic/disruptive classroom behaviors
- Peer interaction problems
- Social media awareness
- Family relationship issues
- Grief and loss
- Depression
- Anxiety
- Anger management
- Transition/adjustment to school routines and rules
- Self-esteem

Frazier High School

Blood Drive

Health Careers' Club will host a Blood Drive on December 10th in the Field House from 7:30-1:30.

Appointments can be made by contacting Ms. Day @ rday@fraziersd.org.

Annual Holiday Concert

The Frazier Band will present their Annual Christmas Concert on December 12, 2019 at 7 pm in the high school auditorium. The event is free but we will be collecting donations for our scholarship fund. Also, the Perryopolis "Christmas in the Circle" Parade is Saturday, Dec. 7.

Ms. Babyak receives Distinguished Award

On November 8, 2019, Ms. Karen Babyak was presented the Pa Geographical Society K12 Distinguished Teacher Award for 2019. This award is given to K-12 teachers who have sustained excellence in teaching and as well as innovative and effective methods in Geography, Earth Science, Environmental Science or any other courses with a geographic base. Ms. Babyak was nominated for her creation of a full GIS (geographic information systems) course at the high school level. Babyak is pictured with Dr. Tom Mueller of California University of Pennsylvania whom nominated her.



FBLA to attend Regional Leadership Conference

Frazier's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) will be attending the Regional Leadership Conference at California University of Pennsylvania on Friday December 6th. Frazier will be competing in events against 6 local schools. Some events are business related while some focus on communication skills, organization, and public speaking. Students who take 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in their event may be eligible to attend the State Leadership Conference in Hershey PA in April.

Bots team visits Stellar

Frazier Robotics Team and Tech Ed Club are visiting Stellar Precision Components and WCCC ATC next week.



FARADAY LECTURE

Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall - Oakland
November 19 & 20, 2019

Frazier attends Faraday Lectures

Chem and Physics classes are attending Faraday Lectures at Soldiers & Sailors Hall. This year's lecture will be presented by David D'Emilio, veteran chemical demonstration expert at the University of Pittsburgh Chemistry Department. Dave will perform a series of engaging and intriguing demonstrations, specifically designed to educate the audience about the transition from the Big Bang, to stars, to stardust, to cosmic dust, ...to

atoms! Audience volunteers will become part of his rocket launch crews, hydrogen and oxygen balloons will explode to make water, and the connection between stardust and colorful fireworks will be explained using prisms and diffraction gratings.

Snowball Dance

This year's Snowball Dance is scheduled for December 7, 2019 at the Ramada by Wyndham (formerly the Park Inn) Route 40, Uniontown. 7-10 pm. Photos available by Lifetouch beginning at 6:15 pm. Students must sign-up to attend and be on the list of attendees.



Frazier adds SADD to club list

SADD's mission is to empower young people to successfully confront the risks and pressures that challenge them throughout their daily lives. This is accomplished by creating, equipping, and sustaining a network of student-run chapters in schools and communities focused on peer-to-peer education. SADD fosters a sense of belonging and promotes resiliency, leadership, and advocacy skills so that young people make positive life decisions that will carry them throughout life.



Frazier Middle School

DECEMBER EVENTS:

December 2: No School

December 6: MS Christmas Dance (5:00 – 7:30)

December 12: MS/HS Band Concert (7:00)

December 20: 2 Hour Early Dismissal (12:14)

December 23: Christmas Break

December 24: Christmas Break

December 25: Christmas Break

December 26: Christmas Break

December 27: Christmas Break

December 30: Christmas Break

December 31: Christmas Break

January 1: New Years Day!



Frazier Middle School Holidays Dance!

When: Friday, December 6, 2019

Where: FMS Cafeteria

Picture Time: 5:00 (Lifetouch Pictures)

Dance Time: 5:30 - 7:30

Sponsored by FMS Student Government.

Disney
Alice in Wonderland
JR.

A very special performance was held on November 8th by the Frazier Middle School Drama Club, the students performed to a packed house. The kids will have a second performance for the elementary on November 15th. Thank you Mr. Rafail for once again working with our students above and beyond. Also a special thank you to the MS/HS art club for all the beautiful scenery. Congratulations to the cast crew on a job well done!





Caring Commodores Meet the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank! - It was a great day making new friends with Phyllis, Marleen and Charlese. The Caring Commodores weekend food program will soon be in a NEW partnership with these lovely ladies from the Food Bank! It was a pleasure to meet with everyone this morning.

Frazier Elementary School

DECEMBER 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Thanksgiving Break No School	3 Bear Necessity Tree Starts	4	5	6 PTO Meeting 9:00am 1st Grade Field Trip Children's Museum	7
8	9	10 Santa's Workshop	11 Santa's Workshop NEHS Induction Ceremony	12 Santa's Workshop Toys for Tots Pick Up	13 Santa's Workshop	14
15	16	17 Bear Necessity Tree Ends	18	19 Christmas Movie and Pajama Day Kindergarten Holiday Breakfast	20 Christmas Party Day 2hr Early Dismissal Starting at 1:15	21
22	23 School Closed	24 Christmas Eve School Closed	25 Christmas Day School Closed	26 School Closed	27 School Closed	28
29	30 School Closed	31 New Year's Eve School Closed	1 School Closed	2 School Back in Session	3	

ANNUAL KINDERGARTEN PAJAMA DRIVE

The Kindergarten teachers and students are collecting donations of new pajamas of any size. Donations may be sent in to the Elementary Office by Friday, December 6. Donations will be made to a local homeless shelter or a domestic abuse shelter.

Pumpkin Catapult Olympics

STEM Challenge: Students in Mrs. Brown's 4th Grade Science Class took part in the Pumpkin Catapult Olympics. Students were challenged to design and construct a catapult. They then used their catapults to participate in 6 Olympic events to put their catapults to the test for distance, precision, and accuracy.

Event #1 Go the Distance



Event #2 Hit the Target



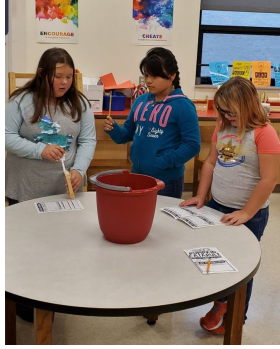
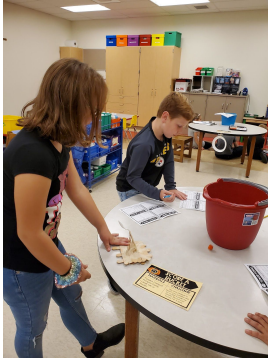
Event #3 Great Heights



Event #4 Tower Topple



Event #5 Score a Bucket



Event #6 Hoop Shoot



The Pumpkin Catapult Olympic Champions

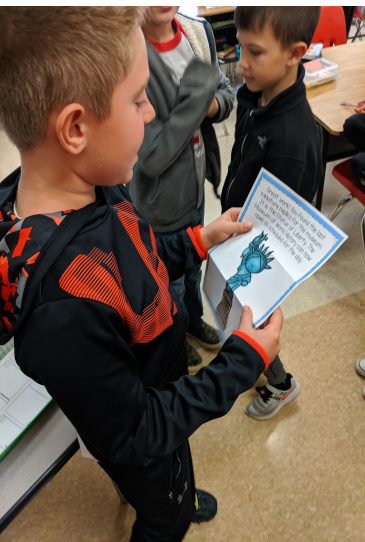
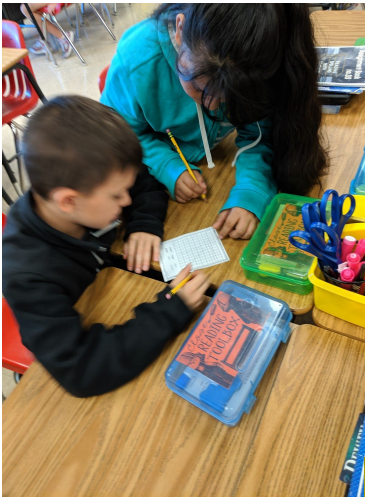




4th Grade Reading – Main Idea Escape Room

This month, 4th graders are learning about the main idea and details in texts. To apply what we have been learning, all students participated in a *Main Idea Escape Room Activity*. Students were challenged to return all items stolen from the *Museum of World History* within 90 minutes. Some artifacts included: *A Big Ben Clock Replica, an Egyption Sarcophagus, and an Ancient Roman Helmet*. Students read passages and answered questions about the main idea and details to unlock clues in order to find the missing artifacts from the museum. All classes were successful in completing the Escape Room Challenge!

Room



***Fayette County Firefighters' Association Fire Prevention
Essay Contest Winner***

MYA ATKINSON, Grade 5 Student



Mya Atkinson, along with other Fayette County winners, will be honored at the Fayette County Firemen's Association's monthly meeting on Saturday, December 7, 2019 at the Point Marion VFD at 6:00pm. Mya will be presented with an award and her essay will be forwarded to the Western Pennsylvania Firemen's Association. It will be entered into their annual essay contest and winners will be announced in March 2020.

We are so proud of you!!!

Deeper Learning Equity Fellowship Awarded to Dr. Muic



Dr. Kelly Muic was accepted as a Deeper Learning Equity Fellow which is a nationally recognized leadership development opportunity. The purpose of the fellowship is to amplify voices and perspectives of underrepresented populations and underserved communities. Fellows will use tools to develop Deeper Learning opportunities within their own public school system.

Fellows are provided with guidance and mentorship from nationally recognized experts at no cost to their schools/districts. The fellowship consists of high level reflection and collaboration experience over the course of two years. Fellows must take part in significant reading of literature and research; attend face-to-face & virtual meetings; attend 3 Advanced Leadership Seminars; and create a capstone project. The capstone project is a detailed plan of how the fellow will develop Deeper Learning Equity opportunities in his/her school system. \$2500 Stipend is awarded to support project expenses implement in their organizations. **The fellowship is guided through the partnership between Big Picture Learning and Internationals Network for Public Schools.**



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FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Deeper Learning Competencies:

1. Mastery of Academic Content
2. Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
3. Collaboration
4. Effective Communication
5. Self-Directed Learning
6. Develop an Academic Mindset

Benefits of Deeper Learning Competencies

Students are motivated and challenged

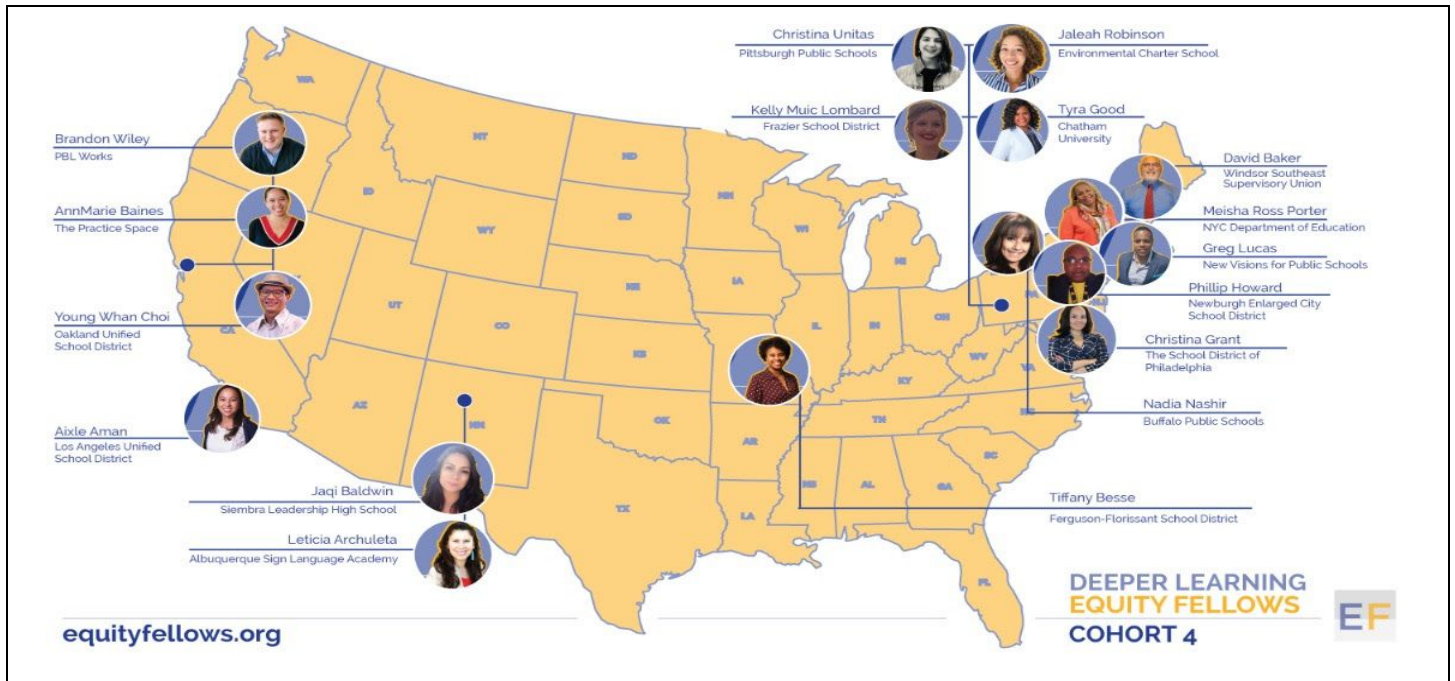
Students apply what they learn in one area to other situations

Students see how classwork relates to real life

Students gain knowledge and skills to learn more efficiently

Students are better prepared for future success in college, careers and life.

2019 Cohort IV Deeper Learning Fellows:



Sponsors of the Deeper Learning Equity Fellowship

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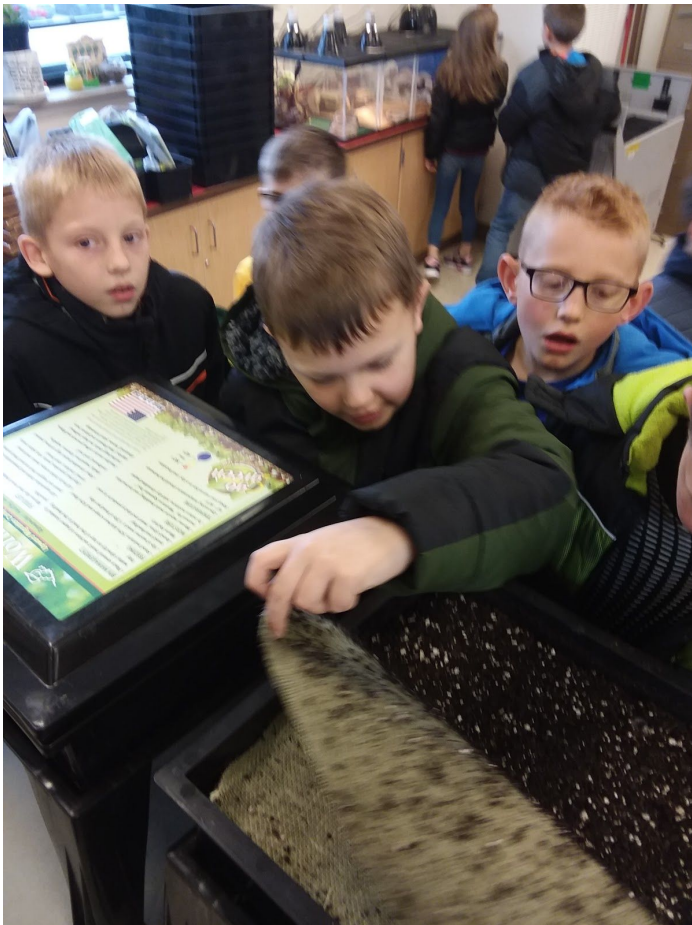
Dedication to “SCIENCE” Tree

The Frazier Farm is sponsoring a Science-Themed Tree for the “*Festival of the Trees*”. The Science Tree will be on display at the Library. **Come and vote for your favorite tree!**



Worms Invade the Classroom!

Mr. Sutton's Third Grade class has been invaded by Red Wigglers. Last week a thousand worms were delivered to the Science room to compliment their study of Vermiculture and the work of decomposers in the environment.



Rocketry Begins Young

While exploring the Solar System Mr. Sutton's Third Grade class has stumbled across NASA's mission proposal to Mars and some of the challenges. One of those challenges would be the rocket designs to traverse the distance. In order to better understand rocketry, students are designing and building rockets. Straw Rockets were initially built and tested for flight with some success and some failures. Students are now in the process of building air rockets to blast to Mars, which began with their introduction in fin design. The rockets are planned to be finished before the New Year, but as with NASA extensions may occur.



NFT Joins the Hydroponics Team

A new NFT, Nutrient Film Technique, System has arrived at the Elementary. Frazier Farm has utilized Hydroponics to grow a variety of plants. Recently, they added a NFT System to their collection that includes a Tower, Floating Rafts, Water Culture Buckets and Aeroponics.



WQED EDUCATION SMART SCHOOLS KICK OFF EVENT

WQED is working with local schools to bring teachers, students, and families *Smart Schools* which is an initiative that utilizes PBS resources into classrooms to help create innovative and impactful learning experiences for school-aged learners. Frazier Elementary School has been selected as the newest school to the Smart Schools initiative thanks to the financial support provided by Chevron. On Thursday, November 7, we held the kick-off event. This event featured a "Math-Magical" celebration with activities from the popular PBS children's programs *Peg+Cat* and *Odd Squad*. In addition, literacy development and STEM resources were highlighted.



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

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