



# Frazier School District

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January 2020

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*“Inspire and Empower”*



# **Frazier School District**

## **Free Parent/ Guardian Trainings**

**Topic:** Positive Behavior Support and Autism 101

**Location:** 142 Constitution Street, Perryopolis, PA 15425

**Date & Time:** January 17, 2020- (2) sessions available / 8:00am-11:00am or 12:00pm-3:00pm

**Description:** This training provided by Intermediate Unit 1 at Frazier School District will share strategies on developing and implementing Positive Behavior Supports. The Autism 101 will provide an overview on Autism, strategies, and addressing behaviors supports relating to Autism. School-age childcare will be provided by district paraprofessionals for parents and guardians while attending the training session.

**Please RSVP by January 10, 2020 to Becky Giovannelli at [bgiovannelli@fraziersd.org](mailto:bgiovannelli@fraziersd.org) or 724-736-9507x128!**

**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.**

## McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

In compliance with the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as reauthorized in 2015 by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Frazier School District is attempting to identify all children within the district that may be experiencing homelessness.

The term homeless children and youth is defined as individuals lacking a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. A family or student is considered homeless under the McKinney-Vento definition if they are in any of these places or situations:

- Public or private shelters
- Public or private places not designated for, or ordinarily used as regular sleeping accommodations such as vehicles, parks, motels, campgrounds, etc.
- Living with a parent in a domestic violence shelter
- Living with relatives or friends due to lack of housing
- Living in transitional housing programs
- Runaway children (under 18 years of age) and children and youth who have been abandoned or forced out of their home by parents or other caretakers (unaccompanied youth). These children may be in temporary shelters awaiting assistance from social service agencies, or may live alone on the street or move from place to place among family members, friends or acquaintances.
- Children of migrant families who lack adequate housing
- Children abandoned in hospitals or awaiting foster care

Children who are experiencing homelessness may qualify for assistance so that they can remain in their school of origin throughout the duration of their homeless episode. If you believe your child(ren) may qualify for this service, please contact Amanda Law [alaw@fraziersd.org](mailto:alaw@fraziersd.org) or 724-736-9507 x 109 .

If your living situation changes during the school year, and you and your children become homeless, please be sure to contact the school so that your child(ren)'s education is disrupted as little as possible.

# Frazier High School

## January Events

January 6 - Biology Keystone Exam

January 7 - Literature Keystone Exam

January 8 - Algebra I Keystone Exam

January 9 - 1st Semester Final Exams (Periods 1 & 5)

January 10 - 1st Semester Final Exam (Periods 2 & 6)

January 14 - End of 1st Semester and 2nd Nine Weeks

January 15 - Start of 2nd Semester and 3rd Nine Weeks

January 17 - Act 80 Day (No Students)

January 20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (No School)



### Frazier students prepared for Keystone Exams

The Keystone Exams are end-of-course assessments designed to assess proficiency in the subject areas of Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Literature, English Composition, Biology, Chemistry, U.S. History, World History, and Civics and Government. Beginning in the 2012-2013 school year, Keystone Exams in the following subjects were developed by the Department and made available for use by school districts, AVTSs and charter schools, including cyber charter schools:

- Algebra I
- Literature
- Biology

The Keystone Exams are one component of Pennsylvania's statewide high school graduation requirements. Keystone Exams will help school districts guide students toward meeting state standards.

# Frazier MIDDLE SCHOOL

## January Events

12/20/19 - TWO HOUR early  
DISMISSAL (12:14)  
12/23/19 - CLOSED  
12/24/19 - CLOSED  
12/25/19 - **Merry Christmas!**  
12/26/19 - CLOSED  
12/27/19 - CLOSED  
12/30/19 - CLOSED  
12/31/19 - CLOSED  
01/01/20 - **HAPPY New Year!**  
01/17/20 - CLOSED (ACT 80 Day)  
01/20/20 - CLOSED (**Martin**  
**Luther King Day**)



## HOLIDAY Feast!



On December 12, 2019, Frazier Middle School students and staff were treated to a wonderful "HOLIDAY Feast". Ham, STUFFING and ALL THE FIXINGS were served up on this special day. Yes, the kids and staff love having their principal serve up this holiday meal and I really enjoy doing it. Carved Ham, STUFFING, scalloped potatoes and rolls were some of the delicious items on the menu.



# HOLIDAYS Dance!



EARLIER IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, THE FRAZIER MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT GOVERNMENT HELD THE ANNUAL HOLIDAY DANCE! MANY OF OUR STUDENTS DRESSED TO THE NINES FOR THIS SPECIAL OCCASION. LIFETOUCH PROVIDED THE PICTURES AND STUDENT GOVERNMENT PROVIDED SNACKS AND REFRESHMENTS.

## APPLICIOUS Fundraiser!

THE FRAZIER MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL FUNDRAISER WAS A HUGE SUCCESS AND I WANTED TO TAKE A MINUTE TO THANK EVERYONE THAT SUPPORTED US. MR. RAFAIL AND STUDENT GOVERNMENT DO A WONDERFUL JOB ORGANIZING THE FUNDRAISER EACH YEAR. FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR FIELD TRIPS AS WELL AS CLASSROOM AND SCHOOL NEEDS.



## 2019 FIREMEN'S ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS!

During Fire Prevention week each SCHOOL year, every student in Grades six, seven and eight submit an essay focusing on fire safety. This year the main topic was **"Plan your escape!"** Students may win at the local level, which are then forwarded on to the county and some may even move on to the state level. Below are some photos of this year's winners. Congratulations on a job well done!







## BOY'S BASKETBALL!



**THE FRAZIER MS BOYS BASKETBALL Team are at mid season and Having a Great year under coach FEDOR'S direction! currently they sit at 9-1 with still several Games LEFT for you to come out and enjoy one of the Home Games!**

## POWER FLUID Challenge!

**on THURSDAY, December 12, 6TH GRADE STUDENTS FROM FRAZIER MIDDLE SCHOOL PARTICIPATED IN WILLIAMS FAY-WEST-GREENE MECHANICAL DESIGN CHALLENGE AT PENN STATE FAYETTE. UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MR. MALONE(GIFTED TEACHER), THE STUDENTS LEARNED FIRST HAND HOW TO CREATE A MECHANICAL CRANE USING FLUID POWER TO MOVE OBJECTS FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER. THIS WAS A GREAT EVENT THAT PROMOTED STEM EDUCATION USING COLLABORATION, INNOVATION, AND TEAMWORK AMONG THE STUDENTS!**





## Frazier Wrestling









**THE FRAZIER JUNIOR HIGH WRESTLING TEAM COMPETED AT THE SOUTH FAYETTE JR HIGH TOURNAMENT ON DECEMBER 14TH AND 15TH. OUR TEAM PLACED 9TH OUT OF THE 28 TEAMS!**

**RUNE ALSO WON OUTSTANDING WRESTLER OF THE TOURNAMENT! CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF YOU AND KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!**



# Frazier Elementary School

## JANUARY 2020

| Sunday | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday |
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|        |  |  | 1<br>  | 2<br>Students Return<br>from Holiday<br>Break<br> | 3<br>PTO Meeting<br>9:00am<br>   | 4        |
| 5      | 6  | 7  | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11       |
| 12     | 13   | 14<br>End of<br>Second<br>Marking<br>Period<br> | 15<br>Beginning of Third<br>Marking Period<br><i>STUDYING IN PROGRESS!</i><br> | 16  | 17<br>No School for<br>Students<br>Teacher Act 80 Day<br>            | 18       |
| 19     | 20<br><br>School Closed | 21   | 22  | 23  | 24  | 25       |
| 26     | 27   | 28<br>Jump A Thon<br>Assembly<br>Grades K-5  | 29  | 30  | 31<br>Spring Fundraiser<br>Kick-off<br><br>5th Grade<br>Spelling Bee |          |

## KINDNESS TREE

The students in Mrs. McCloskey's Class have been working on how to be more kind since the first day of school. They have been inspired to be a friend to all, be respectful, helpful, caring and compassion for others, acting with integrity, being responsible, gratitude, and courage. Sometimes even the smallest good deed will make a positive impact in someone's day. Always be kind! We should not be more kind just at the holidays, but every single day of our lives. Showing kindness not just to those who experienced the act, but others who witnessed the act improves the climate, culture, and moods of others...the students "pay it forward." One good deed big or small can create a domino effect and improve the day of many people!





# Thank You Uniontown Rotary Club!

Mr. George Omiros and the Uniontown Rotary Club were very gracious in donating dictionaries for each Third Grade student at Frazier Elementary School. The students were very impressed and appreciative of the Rotary Club's generosity! Their gift will have a lasting impact on these students. The Third Grade students and faculty also learned of Rotary Club's good work that occurs both locally and internationally that was shared during the dictionary presentations in the classrooms.



## **National Elementary Honor Society Induction**

4th and 5th grade students were inducted into the Frazier Elementary Chapter of the National Elementary Honor Society on Wednesday, December 11, 2019. Thank you Mrs. Crabtree and Mrs. Guiser for your coordination of this event!









***Fayette County Firefighters' Association  
Frazier Elementary School  
Fire Prevention Essay Contest Winners***



Madison Philburn, Mya Atkinson, and Brant Alekson, along with other Fayette County winners, were honored at the Fayette County Firemen's Association's monthly meeting on Saturday, December 7, 2019 at the Point Marion VFD at 6:00pm. Mrs. Donna Semon attended the event as well. The 5th grade students were presented with an award and essays will be forwarded to the Western Pennsylvania Firemen's Association. Their essays will be entered into the annual essay contest and winners will be announced in March 2020.

**We are so proud of you!!!**



The 2020 Writer's Contest opens on January 4.

The PBS KIDS Writers Contest encourages children in grades K through 5 to submit their own original illustrated stories for great prizes. More information will be shared when we return from the holiday break.

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)

# ***HAPPY HOLIDAYS!***

*We kicked off the holiday season sharing in food and fun beginning with Kindergarten Holiday Breakfast on December 19th. We thank all of our Kindergarten parent volunteers who made this celebration extra special!*







*And we continued the holiday celebrations with a special visit from the North Pole! Santa visited Frazier Elementary School on Friday, December 20th.*







***WE WISH YOU ALL SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!***

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

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