## FRANCIS HOWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Welcome to the 17-18 school year, Howell community! The 16-17 school year concluded with tremendous accomplishments such as 13 million dollars in scholarships for the Class of 2017, 7000+ hours of community service through 51 projects in our activities programs that raised 40,000+ dollars for charities, and a Top 10 high school in Missouri ranking from *U.S. News and World Report* magazine! Go Vikings! Thank you to all of our Viking families for creating this success and we look forward to partnering with you again this school year to continue building the high character habits that enable students to reach their best.

To begin this year's partnership, please visit us during our Open House on Tuesday, August 8. New FHHS parents are invited to a brief transition to FHHS meeting in small groups and will have the opportunity to ask individual questions in the large gym at 5:30. All parents are invited to meet all of their child's teachers from 6:00-7:45. This will begin with all parents meeting in their child's first hour classroom at 6:00. Student schedules are available online through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal or obtained at schedule pick up.

Our new online newsletter for parents that includes photos, video, and school performance updates as well as upcoming important dates is available here: <a href="https://www.smore.com/j18sx-celebrating-16-17-success">https://www.smore.com/j18sx-celebrating-16-17-success</a>

Prior to student schedule pick up July 25-28 from 7-10 a.m. each day, parents may pay for student activity passes and text book fines via the district web store here: <a href="https://fhsdschools.revtrak.net/tek9.asp">https://fhsdschools.revtrak.net/tek9.asp</a>

Please have your parent portal login information ready and print your receipt to bring to schedule pick up. This service is available now through July 28. Purchases on the web store include a 3.61% non-district revenue convenience fee; this is the same web site where parents may fund their children's Sodexo lunch accounts. Cash and check payments continue to be accepted. Parking passes may not be purchased through the web store.

Our annual family census verification also will occur online this year through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Parents will be able to review, confirm, and/or update their household and student demographic information as well as complete the District's Code of Conduct review process. If a parent has not registered for the Infinite Campus Parent Portal, parents need to contact Dr. Thompson's office directly at 851-4760 to request their Portal access letter and access key beginning Tuesday, July 25.

In support of our belief in the potential of our students and encourage high levels of achievement in academics, we continue our focus on enrolling our students in the most challenging coursework they can be successful in and motivating them to achieve at their best. This includes asking our students to enroll in Advanced Placement course(s) that provide them with the best high school level preparation for college. For more information about how AP courses can help students, please visit <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wOxFTohGtHE&feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wOxFTohGtHE&feature=youtu.be</a> or speak with Associate Principal Dr. Kozlowski or your child's counselor.

If you have questions or we can assist you, please feel free to contact us. More specific information regarding schedule pick up, the school schedule, teacher contact information, and more is available on our web site: <a href="http://fhsdfhhs.sharpschool.net/">http://fhsdfhhs.sharpschool.net/</a> Current updates on school activities are available on Twitter <a href="https://fhsdfhhs.sharpschool.net/">@FHVikings</a>, and <a href="https://www.facebook.com/fhhsvikings">https://www.facebook.com/fhhsvikings</a>

Sincerely,

Dave Wedlock, Ed. D.
Principal, Francis Howell High School
It's A Great Day to Learn, Practice, and Perform like a Viking!

#### Calendar of Events

(Dates may change due to scheduling conflicts/snow days.)

19--Fall Meet the Coaches, Commons, 5pm

25--Viking Schedule Pick-Up Day Seniors, 7-10am

26--Viking Schedule Pick-Up Day Juniors, 7-10am

27--Viking Schedule Pick-Up Day Sophomores, 7-10am

28--Viking Schedule Pick-Up Day Freshmen, 7-10am

31--Fall Sports Practice Begins

## August

4--9th Grade Transition Day 8--Open House, 5:30pm (for parents of new students) 6:00pm (for returning

parents)

9--First Day of School

15--A+ Tutoring Training, 2:30pm

24--FHSD Band Preview, FHC, 7pm 25--NO SCHOOL

# **September**

4--NO SCHOOL—Labor Day

6--No Early Release Wednesday

7--Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:00pm

9--ACT

15--Picture Re-take Day

20--No Early Release Wednesday

21--Practice ACT/Sophomores

21--Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:00pm

22--NO SCHOOL—Teacher PD

27--College Kick-off Night, 6pm

## October

1--Homecoming Week

4--Senior Panoramic Picture Day

4--Jostens Cap & Gown Order Form distribution assembly

4--Homecoming Festival/Powder Puff, 5:30pm

6--Homecoming Game,

FHHS VS FHC, 7pm

7--Homecoming Dance, 7pm

10--End of Ouarter 1

11--PSAT/NMSOT Exam (Howell Only)

11--Meet the Coaches, Winter Season, 5:15pm

12--Fall Choir Concert, off campus,

16--23--NO SCHOOL-Fall Break

23--No School -Teacher PD

28--ACT

28--Marching Band Invitational, all day

30--Winter Sports Practice Begins Basketball & Wrestling

#### November

1--Winter Band Concert, 7pm

2--Club Picture Day

4--SAT

6--Girls Swim/Dive Practice Begins

7--NO SCHOOL—Teacher PD

8--NO Early Release Wednesday

9, 10, & 11--Fall Play, 7pm

13--FAFSA Night at SCC, 6:30pm

14--Jazz Band Concert, 7pm

16--A+ Tutoring Training, 2:30pm

16--Advance Placement Night, Gym, 6pm

17 & 18--Singers Choice Dinner Concert, Commons, 6pm

22, 23 & 24--NO SCHOOL-Thanksgiving Holiday

#### December

9--ACT

19--Final Exams\*(No early release) 20--Late Start 8:15am—Final Exams

dismiss at 11:25am\*

21--Late Start 8:15am—Final Exams dismiss at 11:25am\*

22--Jan. 3--NO SCHOOL-Christmas Break

#### January

3--No School—Teacher PD

4--First Day of Semester Two

11--8th Gr. Open House, 6:30pm

15--NO SCHOOL—Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

16--Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> gr. Registration at FHHS, 4:00-7:00pm

24--Jostens Ring Information distributed to sophomores

25, 26 & 27--Winter One Act Play, 7pm

27--Sophomore Parent Ring Day Upper Commons, 9am – Noon

30--Sophomore Parent Ring Night Commons, 4:00-6:30pm

### **February**

8--Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:00pm

10--ACT

14--No Early Release Wednesday

15--Spring Meet the Coaches, Commons, 5:30pm

16--NO SCHOOL—Teacher PD 19--NO SCHOOL—President's Day

24--Mr. Viking, 7pm

26--Spring Sports Practice Begins

27--Band Solo/Ensemble Concert, 7pm

### March

1--Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:00pm

7--End of Quarter 3

8--College Information Panel Night, Auditorium, 7pm

19--Golden Helmet, Gym, 6:30pm

21--NO Early Release Wednesday

22--NHS Induction, Gym, 6:30pm

26-April 3--NO SCHOOL-Spring Break

## <u>April</u>

3--No School—Teacher PD

4--No Early Release Wednesday

9—24--EOC Testing Window

12, 13 & 14--Spring Play, 7pm

14--ACT Exam

19--A+ Tutoring Training,

Auditorium, 2:30pm

24--Choir Concert, off campus, 7pm

26--HS & MS Jazz Concert, 7pm

27--Senior Breakfast/

**Graduation Practice** 

27--Sophomore Ring Breakfast during Homeroom

27--Prom, St. Charles Convention Center

## May

3--Band Concert, 7pm

4--Spring Wind Ensemble, 7pm

5--SAT

10--Senior Awards Night, 6:30pm

14--Final Exams\*

15--Final Exams dismiss at 11:25am\*

16--Late Start 8:15am—Final Exams dismiss at 11:25am\*

16--Last Day of School\*

## <u>June</u>

2--Graduation, St. Charles Family Arena, 10:00am

2--Celebration 2018

\*These dates may change pending snow days.

Possible Snow Days-May 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31. (In order of usage depending upon the number of snow days utilized.)

## **FHSD Facebook Page**

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