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May 2026 Newsletter

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Important dates:

- May 13
Family Fun Night
4:00-7:00
- May 20
4K Mon/Wed last day
EC last day
- May 21
4K Tue/Thurs last day
- May 22
K-5 Student last ½ day
12:15 Dismissal
- June 8-June 26
Summer School
Monday-Friday
- Aug. 11
District-wide
Registration and
Pictures at elementary
school
7:00 am-7:00 pm
- Sept. 2
Elem. Open House
3:30-5:30
- **School Begins
September 8, 2026**

Interactive Lunch Menu

[Link](https://www.myschoolmenus.com/organizations/2787)
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We are a **NUT FREE** School. **NO** Homemade or Store/Bakery Bought Goods (unless there is a "Made in a nut-free facility" sticker)



Principal's Corner

It is hard to believe that it is May already! Please help me in thanking our remarkable teaching staff during National Teacher Appreciation Week, May 4-8. We have magnificent educators who have made a positive influence on our students' lives in Freedom. If you would like to thank your current teacher(s) or any previous teacher(s), there are a few ideas in this newsletter. Participation is completely optional.

The energy that fills our halls and classrooms continues to build as we move toward the end of the school year. We will continue to be very busy in May with field trips, family night, etc. Please look over the May calendar carefully.

Save the dates:

- PAC will be offering a Family Fun Night again on May 13.
- 5th grade transition after school on May 6, 2026
 - Students must be registered using this [link](#)
 - **Student Session (2:30–4:00 PM):** Registered students will be transported from FES to FMS
 - **Pickup:** Students must be picked up at FMS at 4:30 PM (Dumpster Doors).
 - **Parent & Student Session (4:00–4:30 PM Fieldhouse):** An informational meeting led by our middle school staff.

If you would like to nominate one of our amazing staff for Employee of the Year, here is the link:

<https://forms.gle/TgrsQTdsGRcXm9hn8>

We would like to thank all of you for your involvement in the educational process and for being such great parents. Your involvement in the learning process for kids is appreciated here at Freedom Elementary.



School Office

The Freedom Elementary School office will be open *Monday through Thursday in June, from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. and 7:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Friday. In July and August, office hours will be Monday through Thursday, from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.* Contact the school office, at 920-788-7950 or you may fax information to 920-788-7956.

Birthday and Classroom Treats 2026-2027

Our FASD Dining Services team will begin offering approved birthday and classroom celebration treat options for families starting September 1, 2026. Parents may purchase baked goods directly through the School Dining Services Department to share as birthday or classroom treats. **We will NOT allow any outside baked goods into classrooms starting the 2026-2027 school year.** This summer, Dining Services will have a link to an order form on our district webpage.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work to maintain a safe and inclusive environment for all students.

Registration and Pictures 2026-2027

The FASD will continue with on-line registration beginning July 27. **Walk-in registration will be August 11 for Elementary Students from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Elementary School.** You will be able to verify and sign your information digitally. Please bring your registration sheet along with you if you are paying in person August 11. You may also pay your fees on-line through e-funds.

PICTURES AT REGISTRATION:

Elementary students will have their fall pictures taken at registration from 7:00 a.m. - 6:45 p.m. in the Elementary School Multipurpose Room.





School Health Reminders

ALL medication needs to be picked up by a parent/guardian at the end of the school year. If your student attends summer school, inhalers and other emergency medications can stay through summer school. Per school medication procedure: If the medication is not picked up within two weeks after school is out or the medication is discontinued, the medication will be properly discarded.

All health plans and/or doctor letters need to be updated prior to every school year. If indicated, these will be mailed home over the summer. They can also be found on the school's website <https://www.freedomschools.k12.wi.us/district/health-forms.cfm>. Please have them completed and returned prior to the beginning of the school year.

Wisconsin state law requires students in schools (kindergarten through 12th grade) to meet minimum immunization requirements. If your child has received any new vaccinations, please provide the school with an updated vaccination record. If you wish to waive vaccinations, there is a portion on the form to complete and sign before returning it to school. The current requirements can be found here (subject to change): <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p44021.pdf>. Immunization forms are also found on the schools website <https://www.freedomschools.k12.wi.us/district/health-forms.cfm>

Clothes donations needed:

We are in need of boys size 4T, 5T, 6T, 7/8, 10/12 and 14/16 pants, size 6 underwear and large socks men's size 6-10. We are in need of girls size 4T, 5T, 6T, 7/8, 10/12 and 14/16 pants, size 6 underwear, and large socks women's size 6-10. If your child borrows clothes, please wash them and return. Thank you.

Timber Rattlers Reading Program

Students will be receiving vouchers if they completed the Timber Rattlers reading program. Families can then order their free tickets and any additional tickets. Please look for a form coming home with the voucher that will explain how to order tickets. The game is scheduled for Thursday, May 14 at 6:40pm. Students can pick up their grand slam prize when they attend the game, and use their free soda and hot dog voucher as well. We look forward to seeing you at the ballpark!



Bus Routes 2026-2027

If your bus pick-up or drop-off site will change for the new school year, please let Lori or Judy in the office know to fill out a new bus form before the 2026-2027 school year begins in September.

Summer School

FASD Summer School 2026 will be held **June 8-June 26 Monday through Friday**. Most courses are being held at the elementary school, but please closely look over dates, times, and locations. The deadline to pay for summer school is May 1. If you have an outstanding balance you will be contacted, if you haven't been already. Please watch for future emails. Sports camp information will be sent out by the clubs involved.

Girls on the Run

Our FES Girls on the Run team is looking for help! We need a Site Liaison and coaches. Girls on the Run is a ten-week program that meets twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15-4:45 in the fall. The program culminates with a Saturday Celebration 5K! Girls on the Run is a program that teaches life skills such as leadership, empathy, community service, and friendship. Girls on the Run is an experience-based curriculum that integrates running to inspire 3rd-5th grade girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident. This phenomenal program has been at FES for more than 10 years! More information about enrollment in the program will be sent home with 2nd-4th grade girls (next year's grades 3-5). Please reach out to Kylie Hayes if you have any questions or are interested in helping next fall.



Dressing for the Spring/Summer Warmer Weather

- *Wear clothing that is school appropriate length for tops and bottoms
- * Please no flip flops due to safety
- *Students can wear shorts of modest length
- *No mid-riff or crop tops



High School Band Members Visit 2nd Grade Music Room

Our second grade musicians have been wrapping up their unit about the 4 main families of the orchestra and had special guest musicians from the high school band join music class. Our students had the opportunity to get up close and personal with each instrument as our high school musicians demonstrated and answered questions about their instrument as well as their experience in becoming the musicians they are today. A big thank you to Mr. Gajeski and all the high school students who made time to come over and inspire!!



Reading Fluency Tips

When kids can read fluently, it's easier for them to understand what they're reading. And they read aloud easily and with expression. Needless to say, this makes reading a lot more enjoyable.

The summer months provide a great opportunity for you to help your child continue to develop reading fluency. Here are four things parents and caregivers can do to help:

Choose the right books

Help your child choose books that they can comfortably read. The "five-finger test" is a useful guideline for beginning readers. As your child reads, count the number of words they cannot read per page. In general, there should be five words or fewer that give them trouble on each page. If a book contains several pages on which you count more than five words that they can't read, consider reading that book to your child until they develop more reading skill.

Listen every day

Listen to your child read every day. Be patient – new readers often read slowly! Offer help when your child gets stuck, and always give lots of praise and encouragement.

Read it again

Encourage your child to reread favorite books, and make it fun! Repeated readings improve children's fluency and comprehension.

Read to your kids every day

Model your own fluent reading as you read and reread books with your child. Even though your child may be able to read on their own, continue to find time each day to read books to them that are just beyond their reading level.

Taken from Reading Rockets www.readingrockets.org



Grade 4 Visits the Capitol



Green Bay Blizzard Visits FES





PAC (Parent Activity Committee) News

FAMILY BAKE OFF

Thank you to all who participated in the Bake Off! We loved seeing all of the family creations. And the winners are...

- Creativity Winners: Kennedy - 4th Grade, Collin- 2nd Grade and Quinn – Kindergarten; Bentley – 5th Grade and Colton & Nash – 2nd Grade; Ivy - 4th Grade
- Theme Based Winners: Elise - 5th Grade; Macey – 2nd Grade and Murphie – Kindergarten; Savannah – 2nd Grade
- I did it Myself! Winners: Hazel -1st Grade; Sebastian – 4th Grade, Lucian – 2nd Grade and Lilly – Kindergarten; Evelyn – Kindergarten
- Overall Winner: Marigold -3rd Grade

FES STAFF APPRECIATION

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week is May 4 to May 8 so let's celebrate our amazing FES Staff! The PAC will be doing things throughout the week to show gratitude to our staff. We do plan to cater in food, but we still need your help bringing in items.

- Monday: Taco Bar provided by the PAC and Buzz's
- Tuesday: Coffee and breakfast items provided by the PAC, FES Parents and Kwik Trip
- Wednesday: Salad Bar provided by the PAC and FES Parents
- Thursday: Breakfast provided by FES Administrative Staff
- Friday: Sweet Treats provided by the PAC and FES Parents

Please click on the link below to see what you can contribute!

[Freedom Elementary PAC: Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week Food & Drink Items](#)

Thank you to all students who turned in Shamrocks! We will be posting them in the lobby so everyone can see all the kind words!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

On Wednesday, May 13 from 4 to 7 PM, the PAC will be hosting our Family Fun Night! Again this year, we will have food trucks, TJ the DJ, touch-a-trucks, face painting, inflatables, sidewalk chalk, and lots of fun again! This is a FREE event sponsored by the Parent Activity Committee. Also, each FES student will be given a \$5 coupon to be used at Food Trucks. Families are responsible for any additional food purchases. FES Student Council will also be having a fundraiser for "Families in Shiocton" if you would like to purchase items. We hope you all can attend!

SHOUT OUTS

Keep sharing the love and sending in Shout Outs for FES Staff. There is no limit to amount you can send in. Please use the following link and send a Shout Out to a staff member that is doing an amazing job.

[Let's give our FES Staff a Shout Out!](#)

STOCK THE LOUNGE – ALL GRADES

Thank you to all parents who helped us stock the lounge this school year! The FES Staff really enjoyed all the snacks and drinks you provided! For the month May, we are asking ALL grades to please consider dropping off snacks/drinks to help us stock the lounge for FES staff! Just a reminder that snacks need to be "nut free". We hope to get a mixture of healthy and sweet/salty treats. Ideas for drinks: flavor or carbonated water, Bubbl'r, soda, etc.

BUZZ'S PAC NIGHT

Did you know, on the 3rd Monday of each month is PAC night at Buzz's? On these nights, head to Buzz's with the family for a great meal and they will donate a portion of food sales to the PAC.

NEXT MEETING

Our last meeting for the school year is scheduled for Monday, May 18 at 5:30 PM in the FES Staff Lounge. Babysitting will be provided by National Honor Students.

WE'RE SOCIAL!

"Like" us on Facebook at Freedom Elementary P.A.C. (Parent Activity Committee)!

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

MAY 4-8

THANKS



For helping our children

MONDAY

BLOSSOM-

Bring or draw a flower for your teacher

TUESDAY

LETTER-

Write a Thank You Note for your teacher

WEDNESDAY

ONE DRINK-

Bring a soda, juice, or coffee for your teacher

THURSDAY

OFFICE SUPPLY-

Bring in an office supply for your teacher

FRIDAY

MIXED FRUIT-

Bring in a piece of fruit for your teacher



Countdown to

Summer



MAY 11 SUNGLASSES DAY

**MAY 12 SPORTS TEAM DAY- FAVORITE
JERSEY OR SHIRT**

**MAY 13 BEACH DAY- HAWAIIAN OR
TROPICAL, NO SWIMSUITS**

MAY 14 READ A SHIRT DAY

MAY 15 FIELD DAY- WEAR SUNSCREEN

MAY 18 CRAZY HAIR DAY

MAY 19 HAT DAY

MAY 20 FAVORITE COLOR DAY

MAY 21 SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

**MAY 22 SUMMER KICKOFF- WEAR
BRIGHT CLOTHES**



MAY 2026

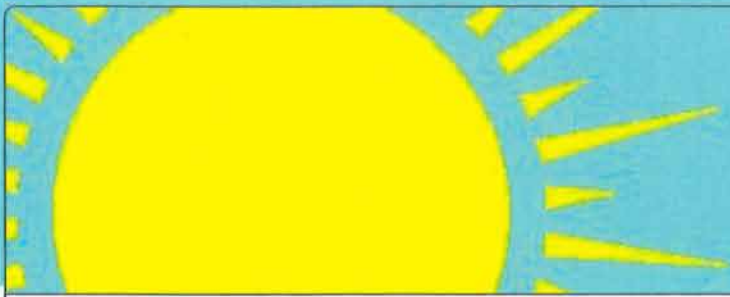
FREEDOM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Summer School fees due	2
3	4 Teacher Appreciation Week Bridging Brighter Smiles	5 Bridging Brighter Smiles	6 5th transition to MS 2:30-4:00pm Bridging Brighter Smiles	7	8 	9
10 Countdown to Summer 	11 Sunglasses Day	12 Sports Team Day Wear favorite jersey or shirt	13 Beach Day-Hawaiian or tropical (no swim suits) Student Council meet. Family Fun Night 4-7	14 Bridging Bright Smile Read-A-Shirt Day 4K New Zoo KG Children's Museum Timber Rattlers 6:40pm	15 Field Day-Wear Sunscreen 4K New Zoo	16
17 	18 Crazy Hair Day PAC provide ice cream during lunch	19 Hat Day Gr. 3 Bay Beach Gr. 5 Urban Air	20 EC&4K M/W last day Favorite Color Day Gr. 1 Bay Beach Gr. 2 Voyageur Park	21 School Spirit Day 4K T/TH last day Gr. 5 Promotion 1:15	22 K-5 student last 1/2 day Summer Kickoff-wear bright colors PBS Assembly	23
24 	25 <i>Memorial Day</i>	26 Staff Inservice	27 Staff Inservice	28	29	30
31	June 8-26 Summer School					

Paid student meal is \$1.35. Reduced Meal is \$0.30

Freedom Elementary School May Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Banana
4 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Scooby Snacks & Fresh Fruit	5 Cream Cheese Bagels Apple Juice	6 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Scooby Snacks & Fresh Fruit	7 Yogurt Parfait w/ Granola or Granola Breakfast Round Apple Juice	8 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Banana
11 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Scooby Snacks & Fresh Fruit	12 Mini French Toast or Assorted Muffins Apple Juice	13 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Scooby Snacks & Fresh Fruit	14 Strawberry Smoothie Apple Juice	15 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Banana
18 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Scooby Snacks & Fresh Fruit	19 Cream Cheese Bagels Apple Juice	20 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Scooby Snacks & Fresh Fruit	21 Yogurt Parfait w/ Granola or Granola Breakfast Round Apple Juice	22 Cinnamon Toast Crunch/Cocoa Puffs/Trix Cereal Scooby Snacks & Fresh Fruit



Mayo

Escuela Primaria Freedom Menú de desayuno de la escuela primaria

					1
Variedad de cereales 4	Magdalenas de chocolate 5 Desayuno redondo definitivo de avena con chispas de chocolate	Variedad de cereales 6	Parfait de fresa con granola 7 Mini tostadas francesas de Cinnamon Toast Crunch	Variedad de cereales 8	
Variedad de cereales 11	Mini Cinnis 12 Desayuno redondo definitivo de avena con chispas de chocolate	Variedad de cereales 13	Batido de fresa 14 Mini tostadas francesas de Cinnamon Toast Crunch	Variedad de cereales 15	
Variedad de cereales 18	Magdalenas de chocolate 19 Desayuno redondo definitivo de avena con chispas de chocolate	Variedad de cereales 20	Parfait de fresa con granola 21 Mini tostadas francesas de Cinnamon Toast Crunch	Variedad de cereales 22	

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Correo postal: Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos, Oficina del Subsecretario de Derechos Civiles, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Mail Stop 9410, Washington, DC 20250-9410;
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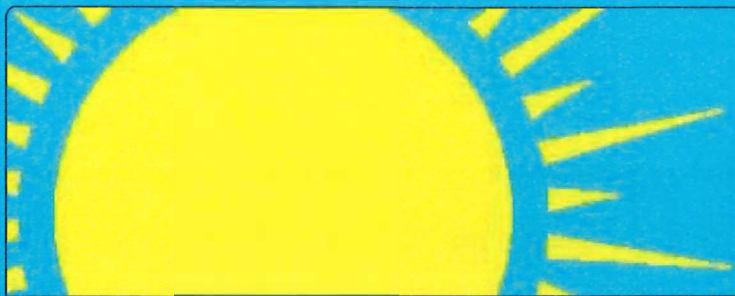
El USDA es un proveedor, empleador y prestamista que ofrece igualdad de oportunidades.

Full student meal is \$2.65 and a reduced price is \$0.40

Freedom Elementary School Lunch Menu - May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1
				(1) Beef Tacos (2) Ham & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables
4	5	6	7	8
(1) Hamburger or Cheeseburger (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Popcorn Chicken W/ Mashed Potatoes (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Pancakes & Sausage Patties (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Cheese Pizza (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Spaghetti & Meatballs w/ Garlic Bread (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables
11	12	13	14	15
(1) Chicken Nuggets w/ Pretzel Bites & Cheese (2) Ham & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Mini Corn Dogs (2) Ham & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Pepperoni Pizza (2) Ham & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Waffles & Sausage Patties (2) Ham & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Chicken Tenders (2) Ham & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables
18	19	20	21	22
(1) Hot Dog w/ Potato Chips (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Boneless Chicken Wings (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) French Toast & Sausage Patty (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	(1) Cheese Pizza (2) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Assorted Fruits & Vegetables	Early Release - Turkey or Ham Sandwich Have a Great Summer!!!! Assorted Fruits & Vegetables

This Institution is an equal opportunity Employer



Mayo

Escuela Primaria Freedom Menú del almuerzo de la escuela primaria

					Nachos de carne y queso O Sándwich de jamón y queso	1
4 Elección de Hamburguesa con queso en pan Hamburguesa en panecillo O Sándwich de jamón y queso	5 Pollo frito estilo palomitas O Sándwich de jamón y queso	6 Panqueques Con Hamburguesa de salchicha de cerdo O Sándwich de jamón y queso	7 Pizza de queso O Sándwich de jamón y queso	8 Espaguetis con albóndigas O Sándwich de jamón y queso		
11 Nuggets de pollo Sándwich de pavo y queso	12 Mini salchichas rebozadas Sándwich de pavo y queso	13 Pizza de pepperoni Sándwich de pavo y queso	14 Gofres caseros Hamburguesa de salchicha de cerdo Sándwich de pavo y queso	15 Tiras de pollo Sándwich de jamón y queso		
18 Perrito caliente en un panecillo Sándwich de jamón y queso	19 Alitas deshuesadas Sándwich de jamón y queso	20 Palitos de tostada francesa Hamburguesa de salchicha de cerdo Sándwich de jamón y queso	21 Pizza de queso Sándwich de jamón y queso	22 Sándwich de jamón y queso Sándwich de pavo y queso		

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