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May/June 2018 Newsletter

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Important dates:

- May 10
Gr. 5 Play 6:00 Gym
- May 21-June 11
Paper Recycling
- May 28
No School
- May 30
4K Mon/Wed last student day
- May 31
4K Tues/Thurs. last student day
- June 1
Last student ½ day for K-5 students
- June 1
Timber Rattler Game 7:15 pm
- June 11-July 19
Summer School
- School Begins
Sept. 4, 2018

Continue to save
**Box Tops for
Education**

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School.



Principal's Corner

Where has the school year gone? It is incredible how fast this school year has flown by. It is amazing to see the great gain our students have made this year. We appreciate our home-school partnerships. We could not do what we do without your support!

Please help me in thanking our remarkable teaching staff during National Teacher Appreciation Week May 7-11. We have magnificent educators that 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 continue to be very busy with STAR, PALs, getting our final individual guided reading levels, field trips, etc. Please look over the May/June calendar carefully.

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 very welcomed and appreciated here at Freedom Elementary.

No School

Memorial Day is on **Monday, May 28**. There is no school on this date. School resumes on Tuesday, May 29.

School Office

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

On-Line Registration

The Freedom Area School District will continue with on-line school registration. You will be able to verify and sign information digitally and pay your fees on-line with e-Funds.

Attention Parents: DROP OFF CHANGE

We have a few changes to help with security and safety. Parents will **not** be allowed to walk children to classes if they arrive to school at or after 8:00 am. This started on April 2, 2018.

This is in preparation for next year when all students will need to be dropped off and picked up from the lobby. These changes are to help with building security and for the safety of all students.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Immunization Requirements 2018-2019

Varicella (Chickenpox) second dose phase

Grades Kindergarten through 12

Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)

Grades Kindergarten through 12

Tdap (Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis Booster)

Entering Grade 6

There is an exception to the Tdap requirement: Students who received a dose of tetanus or diphtheria vaccine within **5 years** of entering a grade for which Tdap is required are not required to receive Tdap vaccine.



Summer School

The Freedom Area School District Summer School 2018 is at Freedom Elementary School, for elementary and middle school students. You may register for summer school until 8:00 pm on Tuesday, May 1. The deadline for course fee payment is Friday, May 4, 2018. The session will be five weeks long beginning **June 11 through July 19**. There is no school the week of July 4.

PAC (Parent Activity Committee) News



The next **Paper Recycling** event will be **May 21-June 11**; this will be the last one for this school year.

Thanks to the many volunteers who have helped out with this year's Artist in Residence project. We will be sending home a note with instructions on how to make the glass pendant students are creating into a magnet. The final large stained glass mural will soon be installed on the wall outside the nurse's office.

PAC held a **Family Fun Night** on **Thursday, April 26, at Badger Sports, Appleton**. We hope your family had fun.

Staff Appreciation Week is **May 7-11**. A link will be sent from the office for people to sign up to help with food/meals.

Students will receive a snack **May 14 or 15** for our **Spring Student Appreciation Day!**

The Plastic Bag Recycling drive ended Friday, April 13. We took first place and will be receiving a bench made out of recycled plastic as a prize. We are able to collect again beginning in September, at which time the bins will be put in place outside the office.

This year's **Field Day** is **May 25**. PAC will once again provide Freeze-Pops for students to enjoy.

"Like" us on Facebook at Freedom Elementary P.A.C. (Parent Activity Committee) or subscribe to our posts on the web at freedompac.org.

Our May meeting is set for **Monday, May 21**, Room 22 (Art Room), 6:00 p.m. Free babysitting is provided by the Freedom High School National Honor Society. Please come join us!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Erin Lenhardt at 920-851-3266 or aelenhardt@gmail.com



First graders practice their animal movements for the Spring Concert on April 30 at 6:00 pm at the High School Fieldhouse.



SPRING IS HERE AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Please think of us as you are doing your spring cleaning and having rummage sales. We are in need of **small** boys and girls pants (preferably no jeans). If you can help us out, please drop them off in the Elementary School office. Thank you!

School Health Reminders



Any questions?
Please contact
Emily Wendt,
RN, or Kim
Johnson, LPN

1. If your child has a medication that is kept at school, the medication must be picked up no later than June 14, 2018. All medication, prescription and/or over the counter will be disposed of after this date. **The medication must be picked up by an adult, NO medication will be sent home with students.**
2. Emergency plan paperwork for 2018-2019 school year will be mailed home at the end of May. Any child with asthma, allergies (not seasonal), diabetes, and/or seizure disorder must have a new plan completed at the start of school. If you do not receive a plan in the mail and your child should have one, please contact the health services team.

LET'S KEEP ALL KIDS and STAFF HEALTHY!

Hot Lunch Payment and School Fees

All outstanding lunch balances and school fees need to be paid prior to the end of the school year. Any unpaid balances may subject to collection with the school district's collection agency Transworld. Payments can be made online through eFunds for Schools, sent with your student or dropped off in the school office.

Bus Routes 2018-2019

If your bus pick-up or drop-off site will change for the new school year, please stop in the office and fill out a new bus form before the 2018-2019 school year begins in September.

Lost and Found Items

Lost and Found Items need to be picked up **by June 1**. They will be donated to a charity after this date.

Guardian Kids Fun Run

Mark your calendars!

The Guardian Kids Fun Run that Freedom Elementary School participates in will be held on **Friday, September 21, 2018 at 5:45 pm** at the Fox Cities Stadium!

More information will be coming home in the fall.



FEA Crazy Color Fund Scholarship Run

SAVE THE DATE: FEA is sponsoring The FEA Crazy Color Fund Scholarship Run on September 29, 2018. This is a non-competitive run/walk open to all students, staff, family, and friends. Profits earned from this event will go towards the scholarship fund for Freedom graduates. Participants will be given a shirt, a packet of color, and a goodie bag the day of the race. Come celebrate community as you run, walk, laugh, and have some crazy fun at this event! Sign up information will be available at registration in August.

Grade 5 Play – Treasure Island

Come for a fun evening watching our 5th grade students on Thursday, May 10, 2018! The fifth grade students will be performing the play, “Treasure Island”. The play is at 6:00 pm in the elementary gym.



Student Council Carnival

On Friday, May 18 the Student Council will be sponsoring a carnival for the K-5 students at Freedom Elementary School. For a \$5.00 cash donation, students will be able to play 10 carnival type games. The money raised will go to the Snowdrop Foundation to help the Pediatric Cancer patients at the Children’s Hospital.

More information about ticket sales will be coming home soon.

Please do not send any money now. Thank you in advance for making this fundraiser a success.

Student Council.



Bellin Run – June 9, 2018

Freedom Elementary Students in grades 3, 4 & 5 are eligible to run in the Bellin Run for the “Kids for Running” program. Permission forms and online ordering information were sent home in March.

The training began on **Tuesday, April 4** and will be held twice a week after school on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**.

The coaches are Jill Verhagen and Courtney Dettman. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Jill Verhagen at Freedom Elementary School 788-7950 ext. 3223.

Thank you for supporting this health community activity!

