

THE FALCON'S FOCUS



Freedom Crossing Academy Newsletter

January 8th, 2019



Falcon Families: Happy New Year!!!

We hope everyone had a wonderful and enjoyable break. Over the break, I talked to several people who asked how the new school was coming. In some aspects it seems like we have been here for a long time, but in others we are still the 18 week old baby that requires a lot of attention as you learn its needs. In every response I was able to comment about how great our families, students and staff are. Monday was a great day as everyone returned with smiles and a joy to be back at school. It did take some students a while to wake up, but they got there and fell right back into the swing of things. I was impressed by how fast and how hard our students were working as they returned. We are looking forward to an exciting 2019 as we strive to do our best for our students.

We have a Finalist!!!

Mr. Ostrowsky, who was chosen by our staff as the Teacher of the Year for Freedom Crossing Academy is among the top 5 teachers in the district and is a finalist as the St. Johns County Teacher of the Year. A committee will observe him teach a lesson and then make the final selection. Stay tuned as the final winner will be announced next Thursday, Jan. 17th. Please join us in wishing Mr. O the best of luck. We do truly have the best teachers here at FCA.

Growth

FCA continues to grow. In the month of December we had almost 20 new students and we have had 10 new students join us already this year. Our current enrollment is at 1047. We should hit 1050 with in a week or two.

Basketball Season Opener

I hope you will plan to join us for the Opening Game of the Basketball season as our 6th Grade Falcons take on Valley Ridge Academy. The first game will take place on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

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6th Grade News

2018 FCA Spring Baseball

Tryouts: January 9th & 11th from 3-5pm at Mills Field

Who: Any 6th grade student attending FCA.

**Students from surrounding schools that are in 6th grade and were cut from their respect schools' team, are eligible to tryout for FCA Baseball (This is assuming that FCA will not be able to gather enough players from FCA and can take cut players from other schools to make a squad. Should FCA be able to have a sufficient numbers of players show up, no FCA players will be cut to allow a non-FCA student play). If you have any questions please contact JCB6uBandits@gmail.com

Math Adoption News from the School District

On behalf of the Curriculum and Instruction Department, I would like to thank you for your participation in the mathematics adoption process. We appreciate your support in ensuring that the administration, teachers, parents and community members were actively involved in the selection of instructional materials for math. The final recommendations are included on the attached document and are posted online at <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/instructional-resources-media-services/textbooks/adoption/> The website provides public access to view the selections. The math committee representative at your school is able to provide login information that includes teacher resources, which are not available on the public website. Not all resources that are adopted will be purchased. Some courses have more than one selected resource. When submissions to the school board include first and second choices, they will be considered for purchase, in the order that they appear on the list.

Have a great week,

Principal Allen Anderson

