Dear Ferndale Family,

This year all Ferndale Schools students in grades K-10 will be taking the Northwest Evaluation Association assessment (NWEA). This MAP assessment, taken three times per year (Fall-Winter-Spring) in math and reading specifically tracks the academic progress of each student.

This MAP assessment (Measures of Academic Progress) MAP is an online assessment that is aligned to the Common Core standards. This assessment is an adaptive computerized tool. Meaning the difficulty of each question is based on how well a student answers all of the previous questions. The assessment meets the student where they are at and thus provides the instructional level of the student as well as a road map for the students still needs to improve to achieve mastery.

The test is given three times per year so we can track and monitor a student’s growth and adjust their instruction as needed during the school year.

In Education,

Dania H. Bazzi, PhD
Superintendent
Ferndale Schools

WHAT CAN I DO AS A PARENT/CAREGIVER?
Below are some helpful resources if you want to assist in your child's growth throughout the year!

Khan Academy and Math by RIT Range Grades K-1st
Khan Academy and Math by RIT Range Grades 2-5
Khan Academy and Math by RIT Range Grades 6-8
All Grade Levels Math
Includes Reading and Math
(Username and Password: Grow)

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT NWEA, PLEASE GO TO NWEA.ORG/ABOUT
HOLIDAY GIVING

WE WANT YOUR HELP!

Please volunteer at these events to help make this a wonderful holiday season!

To volunteer, please contact one of our event coordinators below:

BOOK FAIR:
Michelle Williamson, michelle@ferndalepubliclibrary.org

CRAFT NIGHT:
Amy Davisson, aimless68@hotmail.com

CANDY CANE OUTLET:
Mindy Domke, mindydomke@hotmail.com

FERNDALE ELEMENTARY PTA PRESENTS

UPPER CANDY CANE OUTLET
December 19, 20, 21
Open until 7 pm on Thursday 12/20
The Candy Cane Outlet is an in-school gift shop that allows students the opportunity to purchase low-cost holiday gifts for their family in a familiar and friendly environment, with items ranging from 25¢ to $5. All students from Lower and Upper are welcome.

LOWER 2610 PINECREST
FERNDALE, MI 48220
24220 ROSEWOOD
OAK PARK, MI 48237

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR
December 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14
Open during Craft Night, Friday 12/14
Foster your child's love of reading by buying the latest books, popular series and cool gifts.

CRAFT NIGHT
Friday, December 14, 6 pm - 8 pm
Let your student create fun, festive, hand-crafted gifts for friends and family. All students from Lower and Upper are welcome.

JOIN US IN THE SPIRIT OF GIVING WITH THESE GREAT HOLIDAY EVENTS AT OUR SCHOOLS!

TCEC STUDENTS TAKE FIRST EVER FIELD TRIPS!
On Wednesday, November 28th a group of TCEC students took a career center field trip to MiCareer Quest Southeast. This event was held at Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi and hosted 10,000 students from all over the tri-county area including TCEC, FHS and UHS. Students had the opportunity to visit and experience hands-on opportunities with four major industries: IT, Healthcare, Advanced Manufacturing, and Construction. It was a great day for all the students!

This week, the TCEC took their second career centered field trip to the Junior Achievements Journey to Jobs at the Ultimate Soccer Arena in Pontiac. This wonderful event was a similar career exploration experience with a variety of companies and agencies.

FERNDALE WRESTLING SLAMS MUMFORD
This week the Ferndale Wrestling team defeated Mumford High. It was a great match! Check out these great photos courtesy of Brian Sevald.


UHS GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM FEATURED IN THE DET NEWS
Check out this great article on our UHS Girls Basketball team from the Detroit News!

FHS STUDENT SELECTED FOR HONORS CHOIR
This weekend Ferndale High School Sophomore, Jessica Decker, was selected for the MSVMA Region C Honors Choir! Jessica will now get the chance to participate in the state honors women's ensemble. Congratulations, Jessica!
Save The Date

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH
6:30 PM
Elementary PTA Meeting
FUEL

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH
Early Release Wednesday

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15TH
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
FHS Winter Voices Concert
FHS Auditorium

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