From the SUPERINTENDENT

Ferndale Family,

“No one is more cherished in this world than someone who lightens the burden of another.”

-Joseph Addison

On Wednesday, April 24, we celebrated Administrative Professionals Day. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful group of administrative professionals who continuously go above and beyond in order to ensure their building is operating efficiently. These individuals are responsible for administrative tasks and coordination of information in support of an office related environment, but they do so much more. They can be seen caring for our students when they are most vulnerable and easing the burden of a busy day for our administrators and fellow staff.

Administrative Professional does not describe the skill set and responsibilities or the impact these humble heroes bring to our schools and departments each and every day. At different times of any given day, they are trusted advisors, boundless caregivers, institutional experts, intuitive problem solvers, patient psychologists, and, most importantly, passionate team players.

To all of our administrative professionals—thank you for being a part of the Ferndale Family and for being such a strong foundation which allows us to accomplish our mission of education.

I wish to extend a special thank you to my own administrative assistant Kim Shepherd, whom I can always count to ease my burden and put a smile on my face.

In Education,

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Superintendent
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CLEAN THE FERNDALE UP!

The 8th Annual Clean the Ferndale Up! takes place on Saturday, May 18, 2019.

Our mission is to provide a particular focus on public areas requiring special attention and to inspire observing spectators to do the same. The event coordinators are looking for volunteers. As a volunteer, you are the lifeblood of this community event. With your help, we can impact how the community sees the results due to your dedication and accomplishment.

Please mark your calendar and register to join us for another year of spring cleaning fun! To participate, complete the volunteer registration form after the link below.

GET MORE DETAILS AND REGISTER

FERNDALE LIBRARY HOSTS TEEN MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOP

On Saturday, May 4th from 1:00 pm-3:00 pm, the Ferndale Area District Library will host a teen mental health workshop. Teens are invited to join in a Face of Me workshop designed to help them better identify the signs of suicide. Contact the library for more information.

ADULT VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

Ferndale Athletics is hosting our first adult volleyball tournament to raise money for our district-champion volleyball program. Sign up soon, as the roster is already halfway full.

ENTRY FEE - $180 PER TEAM

must have a minimum of 3 women on the court at all times.

Doors open at 8:00 am. Pool play starts at 8:30 am

4 team pools, with gold and silver brackets.

DEPOSITS - $50 DUE MAY 1

Venmo @kristimathis
or PayPal stellajstone11@gmail.com

No guy/girl rule
Normal 6s rules

TEAM SIGN UP - FACEBOOK EVENT PAGE
STUDENTS, STAFF, & COMMUNITY
DISCOVER FUN AT 2ND ANNUAL
SCAVENGER HUNT

This past Monday, Ferndale Schools held our 2nd annual State of the
District Scavenger Hunt. It was a fun and engaging event. We would
also like to express our gratitude to staff and students who attended and
also helped facilitate the school stations. What a great night!

Congratulations to our winners:

1st place - Team TCEC
2nd place - Team Lower Elementary
3rd Place - Ferndale Boy Scouts Troop #1542

FERNDALE SCHOOLS RECOGNIZED
FOR ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE
PRACTICES

138 public and private schools in Oakland County participated in
environmental initiatives during the 2018-2019 school year, earning
an Evergreen, Emerald or Green designation from Michigan Green
Schools.

Michigan Green Schools is a non-profit 501(c)3 agency dedicated
to assisting all Michigan schools – public and private – in achieving
environmental goals. Our mission supports protecting the air, land,
water and animals of our state along with world outreach through good
ecological practices. Educational stewardship is important for students
from pre-kindergarten through high school.

Activities are grouped into four categories:

• Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
• Energy
• Environmental Protection
• Miscellaneous.

Ferndale Upper Elementary
was honored with an "Evergreen"
designation–the highest honor–for participate in 20 or more total
activities, at least two activities from each of the four categories.

Ferndale Middle School & Ferndale High School
were honored as "Green" schools, participating in 10-14 total activities, at least two
activities from each of the four categories.

Way to go!

FHS SPANISH CLASSES TRY NEW FOOD

Mr. Adams and Mr. Turner's Spanish classes had the opportunity to try
some eccentric Mexican delicacies. Students tried Mexican treats and
candies. Those that wanted to be adventurous had the opportunity to try
crickets! As you can tell from the pictures, it wasn't for everyone.

FHS CHESS CROWNS CHESS CHAMP

Congratulations to 2019 FHS Chess Champion, Isaiah Shoot. Shoot
also won the 2017 championship!
Save The Date

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1ST
Early Release Wednesday

THURSDAY, MAY 2ND
7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM
FMS Spring Band Concert
FHS Auditorium

FRIDAY, MAY 3RD
FHS Prom

SATURDAY, MAY 4TH
6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM
FUEL Night of Movie Magic Talent Show
FHS Auditorium

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