From the SUPERINTENDENT

Ferndale Family,

This week, I had the pleasure of attending the Honors Convocation ceremony for both Ferndale and University High School. At this fantastic event, students were recognized for their achievement in academics, fine arts, athletics, and career preparation. It was inspiring to hear so many of our students share their post high school plans.

To the Class of 2019, know that you are an amazing group of students who have already made a positive impact in your early lives. I would like to thank each of you for the leadership you have demonstrated this year. As you leave Ferndale, stay courageous and steadfast in your determination to make this world a better place. We are all counting on you.

I can’t wait to see each of you walk across the stage at graduation!

In Education,

Dania H. Bazzi, PhD
Superintendent
Ferndale Schools

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STRATEGIC PLAN FEEDBACK

For the last few months, a dedicated committee of parents, teachers, students, administrators, and Board of Education members have been hard at work creating a new strategic plan for Ferndale Schools. This week the committee presented the goals of the new strategic plan to the Board of Education. We would like to hear the thoughts of our community on the work done so far.

LEARN MORE

To offer feedback, please email the Strategic Planning Committee.

STRATEGICPLANNING@FERNDALESCHOOLS.ORG

SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM 2019

The Ferndale School District announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program for children.

FERNDALE HIGH SCHOOL
881 Pinecrest, Ferndale
Breakfast: 7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
Lunch: 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
MONDAY - THURSDAY
JULY 8 - AUGUST 15

ROYAL OAK TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER
21272 Mendota Avenue, Ferndale
Breakfast: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Lunch: 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
MONDAY - FRIDAY JUNE 24 - AUGUST 16
EXCLUDES JULY 1 - JULY 5

KULICK COMMUNITY CENTER
1201 Livernois, Ferndale
Breakfast: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Lunch: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
MONDAY - FRIDAY JUNE 17 - AUGUST 16
EXCLUDES JULY 4 & JULY 5

FERNDALE LOWER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2610 Pinecrest, Ferndale
Breakfast: 8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.
Lunch: 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
KINDERGARTEN JUMP START WEEK ONLY
TUESDAY - FRIDAY AUGUST 20 - AUGUST 23

Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under or persons up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a State or local public educational agency. The meals will be provided without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.
FMS VISITS DC

Last week, FMS 8th graders visited Washington D.C., seeing many of their classmates and teachers in our Spoken Word Cafe, complete with Poetry Slam held in the library. Students performed original poems for organizing this fun-filled event for families.

Shout out to our Playworks Coach–Coach G–and the Playworks staff for supportive across the aisle, gave high-fives, and played fairly together. During the Family Kickball Recess Funzie, you could really see the comraderia of the Ferndale Family as students stayed positive and smiles.

Congratulations of current thespain students’ accomplishments in the theatre program. NEW MEMBERS, HONOR OTHERS

FHS THESPIANS WELCOME

FUEL's Playworks Family Kickball Recess Funzie was an exciting event for students and their families to get outside, play games, enjoy food, and win prizes. PLAYWORKS BRINGS FUNZIE TO RECESS

FUEL PLANTS A TREE

The Montessori classroom at FUEL recently planted a Japanese Cherry Tree. FOR THEIR TOMORROW

THE COMMUNITY

joined the community for the 2019 “Clean the Ferndale Up!” Thank you to all staff and students who volunteered their time to make our community sparkle!

Ferndale Education Association awards to one deserving high school graduate from each of our schools a $500 financial scholarship. Many applicants are reviewed and the committee–consisting of FEA teachers–selects the most deserving candidates. This year, the FEA AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

to exude the confidence, determination, and attitude that will continue success to each of these award winners as they continue on to higher schools proudly.

FHS TRACK STARS QUALIFY

Congratulation to the following FHS student athletes who qualified to participate in the state championship track meet! CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING FHS STUDENTS QUALIFIED TO THE STATE TRACK MEET

FHS STUDENT ATHLETE SIGNS SCHOLARSHIP LETTER OF INTENT

Congratulations to UHS senior Je’anae Waddell-Walker on signing her scholarship letter of intent. Congratulations to Missouri Valley College!

“YOU CANNOT TEACH A MAN ANYTHING; YOU CAN ONLY HELP HIM FIND IT WITHIN HIMSELF.” - Galileo

As the Galileo Institute for Teacher Leadership turns 20, we are honored to bear witness to the growth of teacher leaders in the Ferndale Public Schools and beyond. The Galileo Institute for Teacher Leadership is dedicated to improving the learning of all students, elevating the education profession, and achieving a civil, prosperous, and democratic society. The commitment to the concept of developing teacher leaders, from defining what teacher leadership is and why it is so important, is at the heart of the institute.

From the Galileo Institute

Since 2005, the Galileo Institute has supported the advancement of over 900 Southeast Michigan teacher leaders since its founding in 1997. The Galileo Institute also serves as a partner to the Galileo Teacher Leadership Academy, a 29 district consortium that has prepared more than 900 Southeast Michigan teacher leaders since its founding in 1997.

The Galileo Institute for Teacher Leadership has been supported by grants from the Ford Foundation, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, and the Kresge Foundation. Wish good luck to Dana Rubin, Robert Henderson, and Jazmine Bates as they begin their Galileo journey.

Congratulations to Alison Maes, Rachel Haddad, and Amy Ceglarek for completing this fantastic training opportunity. Three new Ferndale teachers will now start the program. OAKLAND UNIVERSITY GALILEO LEADERS

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Spanish students at FMS in grades 7 & 8 visited Mexican Village in Detroit this week. Students tried a variety of foods and stocked up on goodies at La Gloria Bakery and La Colmena (Honey Bee Market). For many it was their first time visiting this hotspot of Hispanic culture and cuisine so close to Ferndale.

**Book Club**

**One Crazy Summer** by Rita Williams-Garcia

Set during one of the most tumultuous years in recent American history, **ONE CRAZY SUMMER** is the heartbreaking, funny tale of three girls who travel to Oakland, California in 1968 in search of the mother who abandoned them. The story is both powerful and affecting, offering unique insights into sisterhood and motherhood.

**Incoming Middle School students (grades 6 – 8)** are invited to join Dr. Dania Bazzi, Superintendent of Ferndale Schools, for a summer book club. Book discussions will be hosted from 2:30 to 3:30 at the Nest Media Center at Ferndale High School. Registered participants will be given a free copy of this summer's book, One Crazy Summer.

**Session 1:** Thursday, June 27

**Session 2:** Tuesday, July 16

**Session 3:** Tuesday, July 30

**Session 4:** Tuesday, August 20

**Sign Up Today**

Free Pizza & Drinks Will Be Provided!

This Summer's Book
Save The Date

MONDAY, MAY 27TH
No School - Memorial Day
Thank you to all that have served our country!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29TH
LAST Early Release Wednesday of the year

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29TH
6:30 PM
FUEL 3rd Grade Spring Music Concert
FUEL Gym

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