Dear FPS Family,

At Ferndale Schools we take pride in our work centered on social emotional learning (SEL). SEL refers to how students manage their emotions, communicate with others, use empathy to recognize the needs of others, solve everyday problems, build relationships, and make informed decisions. There are 5 core competencies of SEL, as defined by CASEL.

SELF-AWARENESS
The ability to accurately recognize one’s own emotions, thoughts, and values and how they influence behavior.

SELF-MANAGEMENT
The ability to successfully regulate one’s emotions, thoughts, and behaviors in different situations—effectively managing stress, controlling impulses, and motivating oneself.

RESPONSIBLE DECISION-MAKING
The ability to make constructive choices about personal behavior and social interactions based on ethical standards, safety concerns, and social norms.

RELATIONSHIP SKILLS
The ability to establish and maintain healthy and rewarding relationships with diverse individuals and groups.

SOCIAL AWARENESS
The ability to take the perspective of and empathize with others, including those from diverse backgrounds and cultures.

Our aim is for all students to learn to cultivate focus, resilience, empathy, connection, and wellbeing as the basis for academic and personal success. Our aspiration is to be a model district that focuses its attention on the whole child, emphasizes a school wide approach, and acknowledges learning, health and the school as being a reflection of the local community.

To learn more about our SEL, please watch our new video highlighting this fantastic work!

In Education,

Dania H. Bazgi, PhD
Superintendent
Ferndale Schools
DANCE CLASSES
Registration and FIRST CLASS on Saturday, September 21st, 2019
This dance course includes 10 classes plus a dress rehearsal and a show!
There will be no classes on November 9th and December 7th, 2019.
Theme: Heroes & Villians
Sponsored by the Ferndale Dance Team!
SATURDAY JAZZ/HIP HOP AND TAP
Grades 4, 5 and 6 9:30 to 10:30 am
Grades 2 and 3 10:30 to 11:30 am
Grade 1 and Kindergarten 11:30 am to 12:30 pm
Onstage Saturday Rehearsal: Saturday, November 30th
– Students report at their regular class time in costume
Dress Rehearsal: Monday, December 9th @ 6:30 pm
– Run of the entire show in costume.
Recital Date: Wednesday, December 11th
Ferndale Auditorium at 7:00 pm
Tuition is $95.00 for all classes. Tuition cost includes costume and tights!
Checks must be made payable to FSFAB (ferndale schools fine arts boosters)
Dance students wear dance attire (leggings, leotard, tights, etc.)
Black tap shoes and black ballet or jazz (must have shoes by 3rd class)
We have tap shoes available to trade/take, and we accept donations of gently used tap shoes.
QUESTIONS?
janet.whinham@ferndaleschools.org

FUEL AFTER-SCHOOL RUNNING CLUBS
FUEL and the Royal Oak YMCA we will be offering a FALL session of Girls on the Run this year. In addition, a small number of spots are available for the boys’ STRIDE program.
GIRLS ON THE RUN
Tuesdays & Thursdays
3:30-4:45 p.m.
REGISTER
STRIDE
Mondays & Wednesdays
3:30-4:45 p.m.
(please note: the flyer sent home this week incorrectly states T/Th).
REGISTER
If you have any questions or would like to register at the branch, please contact Sandy Gossett.
Royal Oak YMCA
1016 W. 11 Mile Rd.
Royal Oak, MI 48067
248.547.0030

ANNOUNCING THE ELEMENTARY CONNECTIONS GROUP (ECG) AND FAMILY MENTORSHIPS

The Elementary Connections Group, formerly the Parent Advisory Committee, is devoted to bringing nature, families, educators, and the community together to create unique and memorable experiences that nurture our children’s minds. The group is focused on building a stronger school community through experiences like elementary camps and family mentorships. The mentorship program offers new-to-the-district families an opportunity to connect with an established FPS family, to help them feel welcomed and supported. If this sounds like it would be a valuable program for you and your family, please use the registration button below to get connected!

GET CONNECTED WITH A MENTOR FAMILY
FALL PLANTINGS AT FHS

FHS students planted cool weather crop seeds in the Big Green Learning Garden this week. The students learned different techniques based on seed type while working with the Big Green staff. There was lots of enthusiasm from students and staff all day!

FERNDALE EAGLES FOOTBALL SHOWS UP BIG FOR HOME OPENER

The Eagles handily defeated Pontiac on Friday, 44-6 for their first league victory of the season. The Golden Eagle Marching Band and Dance Team also put on an incredible show. Join
UNION CONSTRUCTION
APPRENTICESHIP
NIGHT
FERNDALE SCHOOLS PRESENTS
OCTOBER 1, 2019
FERNDALE HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS
MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS, FAMILIES, & STAFF
STARTING
APPRENTICE WAGE
$12/hour
$15/hour
VARIES BY TRADE
POST-APPRENTICE WAGE
$28/hour
$36/hour
+ BENEFITS
APPRENTICESHIP DURATION
2 to 5 YEARS
VARIES BY TRADE
FROM 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
QUESTIONS?
TOM MAES AT (248) 586–8666 OR TOM.MAES@FERNDALESCHOOLS.ORG
JOB PLACEMENT + DEBT-FREE GRADUATION
FERNDALE AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY'S
Ferndale Schools’ Superintendent Dania Bazzi and Assistant Superintendent Dina Rocheleau will be here to provide a brief presentation on Michigan’s READ BY GRADE 3 law and to answer your questions. KIDS 4 & UP WELCOME
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT FROM GENOT PICOR, STORYTELLER
STORIES AT 5:30PM
PRESENTATION AT 6:15PM
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WWW.FERNALEPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG
5:30 - 7 PM
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH
4:00 PM
Ferndale Education Foundation (FEF) Dinner
Pleasant Ridge Rec

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH
8:15 AM
Mobile Dentist
Ferndale Lower Elementary

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH
Early Release Wednesday

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH
5:30 PM
FMS Washington D.C. Trip Meeting
FMS Auditorium

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Ferndale Middle School Curriculum Night
FMS Auditorium
Activities begin w/ FMS Administration @ 6:30 PM in the Auditorium and continue throughout the building.