



Fruita 8/9

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December 2023

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Si usted desea una explicación en español de este artículo, favor de llamar al 254-5484

December is a very busy time for school activities and events. Please feel free to check out the Fruita 8/9 School website for current listings.

We are busy implementing our school-wide goals and objectives for the year and will be working to re-view progress toward goals and making needed adjustments toward our action steps. We complete this process several times throughout the year at Fruita 8/9 to keep our goals at the forefront of the teaching and learning process.

Unclaimed items in the lost and found bin, at the end of December, will be donated to local organizations. Please encourage your student(s) to check it out, if they are missing anything.

During December, we have several winter concerts taking place. Please join us as we listen to our wonderful bands, choirs, and orchestras.

Finals will take place on December 20th and 21st. We will be on a separate finals schedule for those days. Students will complete finals on Thursday, December 21st at 11:12. Please see our website for details of the semester finals schedule.

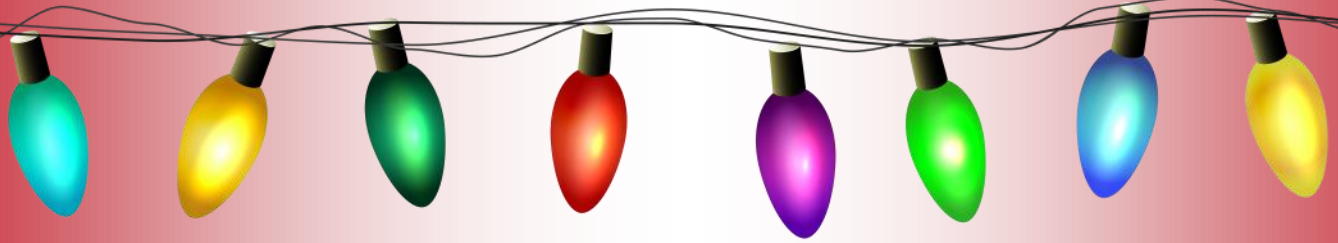
Thank you to NJHS students and parents for providing a wonderful breakfast for staff. The breakfast and all the work putting it together were much appreciated!

I would like to wish you a wonderful winter break and hope that you have the opportunity to spend some time with family. Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Jason Plantiko
Principal
Fruita 8/9 School





Important Dates and Reminders

December 5th ~ Orchestra 7:30 @ FMS

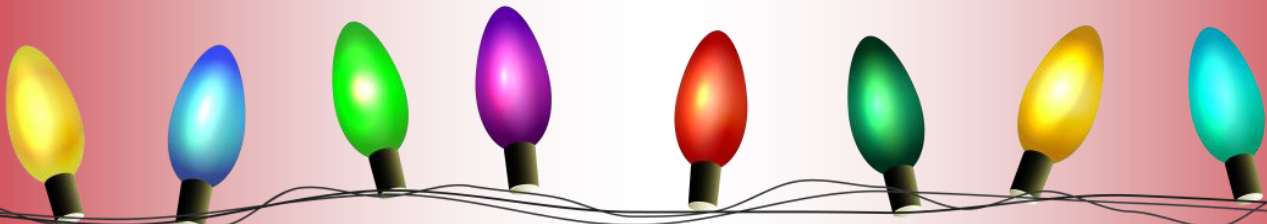
December 7th ~ Band Holiday Concert 7:00 @ FMS

December 16th ~ Snowed In 7:00—9:00

December 18th ~ Holiday Choir Concert 7:00 @ FMS



Winter Break
December 22nd — January
9th



WINTER SCHOOL CREDIT RECOVERY @ FRUITA 8/9 LIBRARY

Fruita 8/9 offers a "WINTER SCHOOL " option to support students academically from the 1st semester. This Winter School is not a requirement to attend - but highly encouraged. By taking advantage of this opportunity your student will not have to retake the entire class in the summer school program or next year. You can check your students' grades on the ParentVue system. We are offering this program right away while the students are still familiar with the material.

GUIDELINES FOR WINTER SCHOOL CREDIT RECOVERY :

- 1.) 9th Grade MATH Students receiving a "D" in a Math class are requested to attend. "F" grades need approval by the math teacher.
- 2.) 9th Grade Students receiving a "D" or "F" grade in Comp/Lit 9, Creative Writing, Mythology, Science , World History or Global Studies, Law Related Ed with a 50% or above level due to missing work need to attend.
- 3.) 8th Grade MATH Students receiving a "D" or "F" in Math class need to attend.
- 4.) Spanish - Need approval by Mrs. Warinner
- 5.) AP Human Geography - Need approval by Mrs. Willford

CREDIT RECOVERY WINTER SCHOOL will be held only for the following dates/times:

January 17 - 18 - 23 - 24 - 25 - 30 - 31

3:15 - 4:15 pm - be on time!

Meet in the Library - Students are expected to arrive on time, stay the entire hour and participate with good behavior and attitudes.

Students ONLY attend until they have earned a passing grade.

Attendance will be taken!

Parents may email Mrs. Daniels, listed below, to confirm if your student attended.

FREE & NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Please contact Kathy Daniels with any questions



Stocking Stuffers ?

We have them in the main office

COME CHECK OUT OUR FRUITA SWAG

ORNAMENTS

HOODIES

DRI-FIT LONG SLEEVES

T-SHIRTS

LANYARDS & STICKERS

TOTES

WILDCAT POWER HOUR @ F8/9

Wednesdays: 3:15—4:15 Room 100

- ◆ Drop in to get help with your studies
- ◆ Use a computer to finish projects
- ◆ Quiet Place to work on assignments
- ◆ Catch up on missing homework!!!
- ◆ **WE TAKE ATTENDANCE!!**



F 8/9 CLOSED CAMPUS POLICY



If you give permission for your student to leave school for LUNCH with someone who is not the parent/legal guardian, or on the Emergency Contact you are asked to **provide written, signed notification stating the time the student is to be picked up and the name of the person with whom he/she is leaving campus.** That person is required to come to the office to sign the checkout book when the student leaves. Note that when leaving Campus for lunch, the student will be excused for their school lunch wave only. **If the student is not signed out by the person they go to lunch with it will not be excused.** Please plan ahead. Phone calls or faxes will not be accepted as permission.

Positive Mind.
Positive Vibes.
Positive Life.

Finals Are Coming

Prepare your student by studying, get a good night's sleep, and a healthy nutritional breakfast in the morning :)

Fruita 8/9 Finals Schedule 2023



Day 1 (Wednesday December 20 2023)	Day 2 (Thursday, December 21, 2023)
*Regular Class 1 st Hour 8:00-8:45	Final 1 st Hour 8:00-8:45
*Regular Class 2 nd Hour 8:49-9:34	Final 2 nd Hour 8:49-9:34
*Regular Class 3 rd Hour 9:38-10:23	Final 3 rd Hour 9:38-10:23
*Regular Class 4 th Hour 10:27-11:25	Final 4 th Hour 10:27-11:12
Final 5 th Hour 11:29-12:48	STUDENTS RELEASED (The bus schedule, however, remains unchanged. Students will need to arrange transportation, if needed.) Teachers remain on duty for the remainder of the contract day to work with students and complete all finals.
Final 6 th Hour 12:52-1:37	
Final 7 th Hour 1:41-2:26	
Final 8 th Hour 2:30-3:15	

Congratulations to the following 8th graders who qualified for the CO MS All- State Choir!!

Lizzie Harper (2nd year)

Karissa Mortensen (2nd year)

Dahlia Silver



Solo Ensemble entry deadline will be upon us in early January. If you are interested in participating, make sure to check with your parents and talk to your director.

Band ~ February 9-10

Choir / Orchestra ~ 23-24



November Student of the Week

Beau Owens

Grace Personeus

Emma Larson



November Athletes of the Week

Brady Gross

Noah Owens

Leah McRorie

Mason Petree

Abrielle Bishop

Britton Brotherson

Lane Coven



Fruita 8/9 National Junior Honor Society

This fall we welcomed 17 new and returning members to our NJHS chapter:

Briana Aguilar
Hadley Belnap
Genevieve Bowling
Ava Brophy
Parker Clarke
Madison Cox
Kaleb Crawford
Alani Dahlheimer
Gretchen Gardner
Abby Hollingshead
Annabelle Janzen
Rulan Janzen
Anaya Ketchum
Isabella Martinez
Joseph Molina
Peyton Ruffule
Stella Thornhill



****New students will be officially inducted on Monday, January 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in our Fruita 8/9 cafeteria.**

Congratulations to our Executive Council Team:

President: Ava Brophy
Vice-President: Parker Clarke
Secretary: Madison Cox

Staff Appreciation Breakfast

For our first service project of the year our NJHS students hosted a bountiful breakfast for Fruita 8/9 staff members on November 14th. The staff lounge was decorated with a beautiful banner designed by our students and the table was filled with pastries, donuts, bagels, fruit, egg dishes, and coffee! Thank you NJHS students & families for your kindness in providing this lift to our spirits.



Our **Angel Tree Wrapping Party** will be held at our upcoming meeting on Wednesday, December 6th right after school. In this project we will partner with a local elementary school to bless families in our community with Christmas gifts. Students, make sure to check out the Sign-Up Genius posted in Google Classroom before Thanksgiving break to gather gift ideas.

Contact Mrs. Rachel Lavadie (rachel.lavadie@d51schools.org) or Mrs. Ruth McKee (ruth.mckee@d51schools.org) for further information.



~Yearbooks~

Need a gift idea?

Have your teenager unwrap a memory for Christmas?

Purchase a yearbook ~ before January 1st (\$40)

\$45 AFTER January 1st

<https://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/students-and-parents/aboutyearbooks>

Order your yearbook recognition ad!!

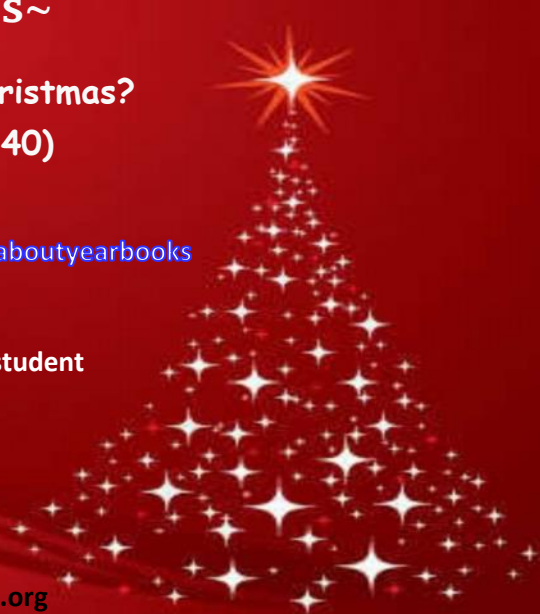
Create your ad online at: <http://www.jostensadservice.com/student>

Have pictures you want to share with the yearbook staff?

We would love to use them if you want to share!

<https://images.jostens.com/ImageShare/upload>

Questions: Contact Mrs. Willford ~ Jill.willford@d51schools.org



Fruita 8 9 School

Dear Parent or Student,
Yearbook Recognition Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. In addition, revenues from Recognition Ads help our school create a better yearbook. To purchase your ad online, follow the instructions listed below. Jostens is responsible for our school's yearbook ad sales. Please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please also consider our school's ad content guidelines below during the creation of your ad online. All orders must be placed by 02/08/2024.

DEADLINE: 02/08/2024

ORDER BY 02/08/2024

COLOR AD

Full Page	\$300.00
1/2 Page	\$150.00
1/4 Page	\$75.00
1/8 Page	\$40.00

*Tax, service and delivery fee(s) will be added if applicable.

PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE ON ORDERS OF \$30 OR MORE.

3 EASY STEPS TO CREATE A YEARBOOK RECOGNITION AD!



Step 1

Choose your ad size and layout



Step 2

Add your photos



Step 3

Enter your text

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the guidelines for ad content?

Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Ensure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication. Jostens retains the right to remove any explicit text, graphic photos or copyright-protected imagery or photos.

Can I create my student's ad on my mobile device?

Yes, yearbook ads can be created online from both desktop and mobile devices.

How are the ad prices determined and what is the money used for?

Recognition ad prices are determined by our school. Revenue from recognition ads helps the school create a better, more affordable yearbook.

How is the ad deadline determined?

The ad deadline is set by our school based on the production schedule for the yearbook.



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Library News



What's Happening in the Library?



December 2023

Student work in the Library:

All 8th Grade students just completed book trailers using the greenscreen and film editing software. They wrote scripts and worked very hard on this project. They should be proud of their work.

Our Film Studies class just finished "A Day in the Life" Documentary project and will finish up the semester strong by writing short movie scripts, music videos, or reenacting movie scenes using greenscreens.

Students are welcome to use the Makerspace to create holiday cards, tags for presents, or 3-D snowflakes.

Our Makerspace Arts & Crafts class is creating mini winter houses using recycled materials.



Book Club Update:

Our Book Club students have started creating a personalized book nook, which is a themed shelf insert.



Genre of the Month Fantasy Staff Picks



December Giveaway!

Sign up to win 1 of 4 Hogwarts House Prize Boxes

Questions?

Please contact Elyza.Willms@d51schools.org





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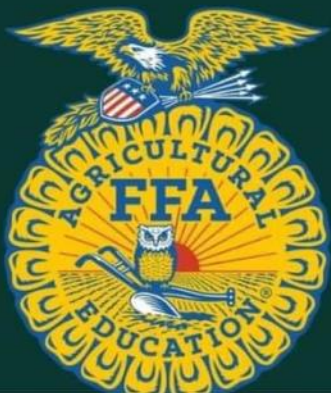
FFA COMMUNITY & FAMILY NIGHT

(COWBOY CHRISTMAS)

DECEMBER 1ST

6PM @FRUITA 8/9
CAFETERIA

Community members and families are invited to join the Fruita FFA Chapter at our Community Night. There will be a crockpot cook off, along with silent and live auction items made by our members.



Sign up for crockpot cook off!

