

Welcome to Fern Ridge Middle School!

Dedicated to creating a respectful environment
where individuals grow, learn, and succeed

Home of the FRMS Royals

People to Know

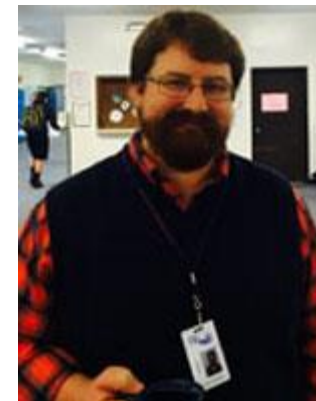
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FRMS Secretaries

- ▶ Stacy Cornelius– Main Secretary

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Meet our FRMS Teachers

Serra Bennett– Language Arts

Brad Davis– Language Arts

Alan Merrill– Social Studies

Kyle Humphrey– Math

Martha Pryor/Ryan Brummett– SPED

Jesse Light– Math

Kathleen Pizzola– Science/Math

Whitney Davis– Science

James Stoe– Science

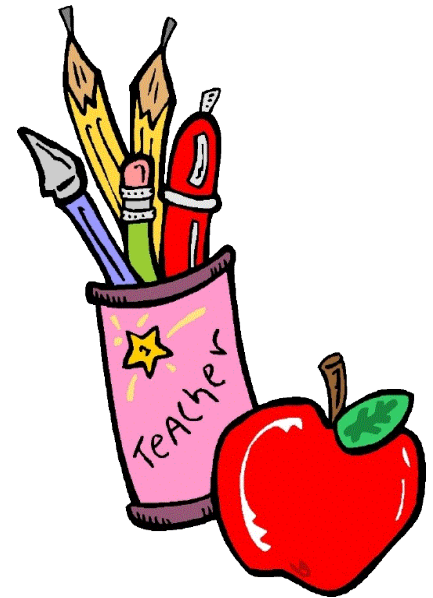
Cameron Siegal– Band, Choir, Music

Justin Peeler and Collette McBride– P.E.

Kevin Rodemack– World Mythology

Marian French– Literature

Ronda Gardner– Bridges



Study Hall Supervisors

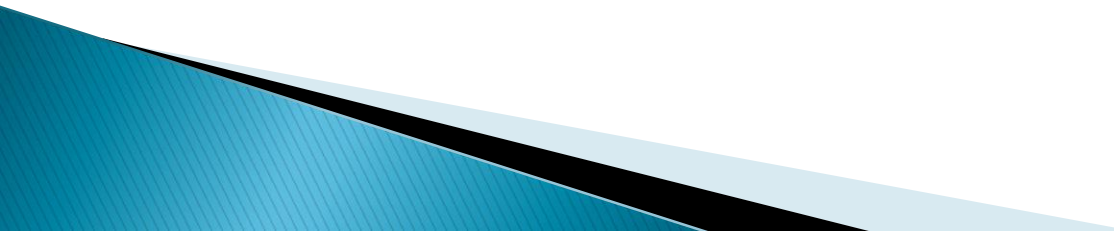
- ▶ Callie Johnson– 6th grade study hall
- ▶ Michael Guidice– 7th and 8th grade study hall

Other Instructional Assistants: Sherry Cooper, Patti Anderson, Sam Yliz, and Tammy Eutsler.

Media Assistant: Brenda Russell



FRMS Parent Group

- ▶ Meets Monthly
 - ▶ Provides input on school policies, practices, activities, events
 - ▶ Plans 8th grade promotion
 - ▶ Plans/Carries out Field Trip Fundraiser
 - ▶ Helps with PBIS reward activities like Free Fridays, High Five assemblies, Gold Star Activities, etc
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FRMS Welcomes All Parents To

- ▶ Have lunch with their child
 - ▶ Volunteer in our library or in a classroom
 - ▶ Help supervise before school or at lunch
 - ▶ Chaperone field trips, dances, and gold star events
 - ▶ Serve on FRMS Parent Group or Site Council
 - ▶ Get involved
 - ▶ Check in with teachers
 - ▶ Support their child
- Parents who want to volunteer at FRMS or on a field trip must have a completed criminal history background check. They must be done annually.

6th Grade Academic Program

▶ 5 Core Classes

- Language Arts
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies
- P.E.

Plus

- One Music Elective
- World Mythology or Literature
- Every 6th grader gets one semester of study hall support and skill building



Regular Day Schedule

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Warning Bell 8:16 First Period	8:20 AM	9:13 AM
Second Period	9:17 AM	10:08 AM
Third Period	10:12 AM	11:03 AM
Sixth Grade Lunch	11:03 AM	11:35 AM
Fourth Period (Students with 1st lunch)	11:39 AM	12:30 PM
Fourth Period (Students with 2nd and 3rd lunch)	11:07 AM	11:58 AM
7th/8th Grade Lunch	11:58 AM	12:30 PM
Fifth Period (Students with 3rd lunch)	12:02 PM	12:53 PM
7th/8th Grade Lunch	12:53 PM	1:25 PM
Fifth Period (Students with 1st and 2nd lunch)	12:34 PM	1:25 PM
Sixth Period	1:29 PM	2:20 PM
Seventh Period	2:24 PM	3:15 PM

Wednesday Schedule

Wednesday Early Release (Two Lunches):

Lunch Is Based on Your Fifth Period Teacher

Warning Bell 8:16

HOMEROOM

First Period

Second Period

Third Period

Fourth Period

First Lunch Wednesday

Fifth Period B

Second Lunch Wednesday

Fifth Period A

Sixth Period

Seventh Period

8:20 AM

8:39 AM

9:17 AM

9:56 AM

10:34 AM

11:08 AM

11:12 AM

11:46 AM

11:42 AM

12:20 PM

12:58 PM

8:35 AM

9:13 AM

9:52 AM

10:30 AM

11:08 AM

11:38 AM

11:46 AM

12:16 PM

12:16 PM

12:54 PM

1:32 PM

Drop Off Lane


- ▶ FRMS has a new drop off lane.
- ▶ Please pull forward to the marked area to drop off students and have them cross in the crosswalk to enter the building.



Drop Off and Pick Up of Students

- ▶ Students are not allowed in the building until 7:50.
- ▶ Students getting picked up should be picked up by 3:30. There is no student supervision provided after school.
- ▶ Students cannot wait at school for practice unless an adult coach or assistant coach is here to supervise. Students must leave the building when the bell rings. They can wait for their coach at the front of the school.
- ▶ We ask parents to please follow our parking lot procedures for dropping off students.
- ▶ If you want your child's afterschool plans to change, please contact the office before 1:00.

What is Home Room?

- ▶ 15 minutes a week
 - ▶ Not a class
 - ▶ Grade level groups
 - ▶ Smaller Numbers
 - ▶ Focus on PBIS training, expect respect, anti-bullying activities, character education, etc.
 - ▶ Home Room might be lead by a classroom teacher or a school administrator or an instructional assistant
 - ▶ Home Room is also the time to find out more about school events and activities
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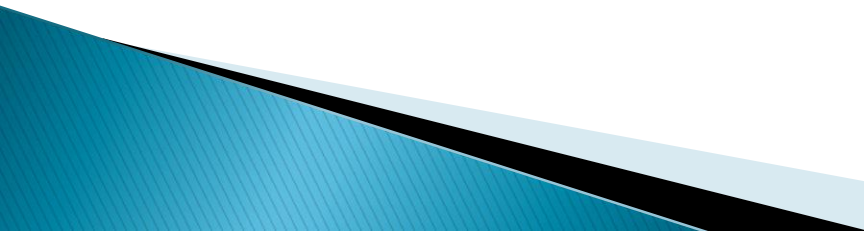
Attendance

Did you know that missing more than 2 days of school a month for any reason means your child is chronically absent?

▶ Research tells us

- Middle grade attendance and GPA provide the best indication of future high school performance.
- Students who are chronically absent or receiving F's in Middle School are at high risk of dropping out of high school.
- Improving grades and attendance in middle school will have a greater pay off on improving high school success than just increasing test scores.

If your child is absent....

- ▶ For less than two days, they can pick up their missing assignments when they return.
 - ▶ Call the office as early in the day as possible to excuse their absence.
 - ▶ Absences longer than three days, please request missing work.
 - ▶ Parents can check **Home Access** to make sure missing work has been turned in, put into the grade, and their child has caught up.
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Cell Phones / Tablets / Gaming Devices?

- ▶ Not in the classroom
- ▶ Not in the gym
- ▶ Not in the halls
- ▶ Not during instruction

Where and when can cell phones / tablets / gaming devices be used?

- ▶ In the Commons at breakfast, lunch, or afterschool
 - The school is not responsible for electronic devices brought to school that are lost or damaged or stolen.

Our High Fives

Be Responsible

Be Respectful

Keep Hands and Feet To Yourself

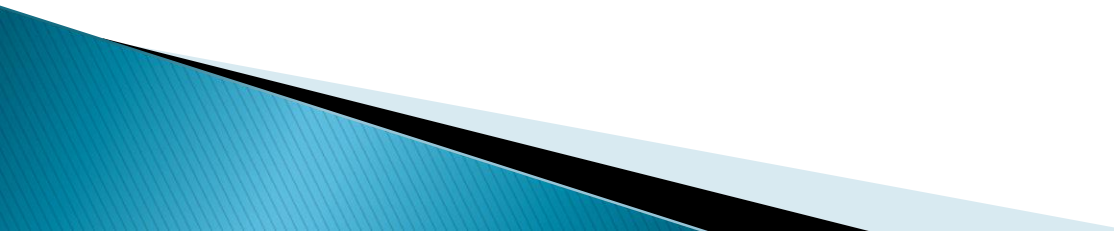
Be There and Be Ready

Follow Directions

PBIS Rewards

- ▶ **No tardies?** Students can participate monthly in Free Fridays at the end of the day where they get treats or social time.
- ▶ **No detentions or referrals?** They get a Gold Star Activity at the end of each quarter—dances, pool parties, assemblies, etc.
- ▶ **High Five Tickets Earned for Good Behavior**
 - Can be spent in the Student Store weekly
 - Can be used at the High Five Assembly each quarter
 - Can be used for High Five drawings for special prizes throughout the school year
 - Can be used to “buy” High Five privileges like five minutes longer at lunch on special High Five days.

Home and School Communication

- ▶ Text Messages
 - ▶ Website Updates
 - ▶ Subscribe to the website
 - ▶ Home Access
 - ▶ Fern Ridge Middle School Parent Group on Facebook
 - ▶ Email
 - ▶ Planners
 - ▶ Phone Us
 - ▶ Stop by
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Email

A lot of communication at the middle school happens by email. Teachers email families and teachers can often respond quicker to an email than to a phone call. Please make sure that your child's Eschool information includes your current email address.

Good communication between home and school is essential for student success. Please feel free to share your concerns with staff and to let staff know when your child might need extra support.

Home Access

- ▶ Find Home Access Link on the right hand side of the FRMS website under Quick Links.
- ▶ To access your student's Eschool information, the **user ID** is their first name, dot, last name or "first.last". For example olivia.johnson
- ▶ Your student's home school password is their Student ID # and date of birth. Their ID # is also their lunch number. Most students have it memorized, but if you need it feel free to call the office.
User ID: olivia.johnson
Password: 1234510201995
- ▶ Home Access can tell you how they are doing in their classes, how they are doing behaviorally, and what their attendance looks like

Homework Blog

- ▶ Click on Daily Homework under Quick Links on the Fern Ridge Middle School website.
- ▶ The blog will post homework assignments from each core academic class.

Planners

All students should be using their planners to record assignments, keep track of upcoming tests, and to generally stay organized. Planners should be signed by parents on Thursdays

Medication/Health Room Reminders

- ▶ Meds must be checked in with the office
- ▶ Meds must be in the original bottle or box with the prescription on the label
- ▶ Over the counter meds must be in the original container and unopened.
- ▶ Students who need to carry an inhaler or an epi-pen must have a medical protocol from their doctor stating that they need to self-carry and that they can self-administer.
- ▶ Students who are sick, need to come to the health office. We will take their temperature, let them rest, get them ice, etc. If after 15 minutes or so they still don't feel well enough to be in class, we will call home. Students who are too sick to be in class should be home under the care of a family member.
- ▶ Students cannot keep medications on them or take them on the bus without a doctor's statement.

Even as kids reach adolescence, they need more than ever for us to watch over them. Adolescence is not about letting go. It's about hanging on during a very bumpy ride.

▶ Ron Taffel

