



# Weekly Notes

March 15, 2019

## From the Principal

Last week I shared a little about our overarching goals for our students. For 23 years FFCS has been a part of this community, and God willing, we will be part of it for another 23 years and beyond. I wanted to share with you some of the highlights from our strategic planning efforts from the last two years to improve our programs at all grade levels.

Last Friday we sent out our second HS team to Guatemala to serve alongside the Foreign Mission Society. This encourages our students to think globally, as did our "Night in Exile" this year, where students learned about Christians being persecuted in other parts of the world. Some of our elementary students are "pen pals" with a school in Rwanda.

We have a renewed focus on service and leadership. Our Senior Service Projects have students serving in nursing homes, collecting blankets and mittens and gathering donations for the local food bank. From Operation Christmas Child to our day of service this last December, we are engaging students at all grade levels to look outwards in the name of Jesus to serve others.

Academically, we are offering college level courses on campus, and doing cross-grade level and subject matter collaboration to better prepare college bound students. We are also adding courses to support Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math initiatives such as our new Library/STEAM time for elementary, our STEAM night (which was a huge success), and adding electives like botany and after school classes for arts and language.

We serve a mighty God. Stewarding the resources He has entrusted us with is an obligation we do not take lightly. Those resources include not only finances, but the time, talents and gifting of our team and of our students. I am confident that if we continue to humbly seek His calling and leading, if we prayerfully listen, we will be able to help your students and those coming behind them, to engage fully in the world around them in kingdom building. In doing so, they will bring glory to God and create an enduring legacy of faith.

Blessings!

*Julie Olson*

*Administrator*

## Mark Your Calendar

- **No School - In-service:** March 22
- **DC Trip:** March 22-29
- **Middle School Mania:** March 29, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm
- **Spring Break:** April 1-5
- **K-5 Student of the Month:** April 10, 10am
- **MS Student of the Month:** April 12, 9:30 am
- **ACSI Art Fair:** April 15
- **Board Meeting:** April 16, 6:30-9
- **K-2nd Easter Program:** April 18, 6:30-8:30pm
- **Good Friday - No School:** April 19
- **Spring Banquet:** April 20
- **Volunteer Appreciation Event:** April 24
- **HS Play:** April 26-27 7-9 pm
- **National Day of Prayer:** May 2
- **No School:** May 3
- **HS Beach Trip:** May 3-5
- **3rd - 5th Spring Program:** May 9
- **Mother's Day:** May 12
- **Board Meeting:** May 14, 6:30-9
- **Last Day of 12th Grade:** May 16

## Middle School Mania

Middle School Mania will be on Friday, March 29th. The event will go from 6:00 pm to 8:30pm. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Snell @ Tsnell@ffcs.org.

**ATTACHED: March Menu, March Academic Calendar, Flash Alert Instructions, Financial Aid Instructions, Calendar, Scrip Order Form, Yearbook Order Form**

# Information

## Middle School Track

The middle school track season starts on Monday, March 18 and we hope your son or daughter will be part of the team! In order to practice, all student athletes will need to have the following documentation turned in (or already on file) to the Building B office. All forms are available outside of Mrs. Baker's office in Building B.

Current physical (valid for 2 years)

Track and Field registration form

FFCS Athletic Handbook

FFCS Athletic Agreement

Registration Fee (\$100)

If your son or daughter played volleyball or basketball this year for FFCS, then you do not need to fill out another athletic handbook or agreement.

Practices will be held Monday through Friday at Seton Catholic High School from 5:00 to 6:45. If you have any questions, please contact Adam Horn (Athletic Director) at [ahorn@ffcs.org](mailto:ahorn@ffcs.org)

## Kindergarten Coffee Break

Kindergarten Parents --- Join Us For A Coffee Break!

All current Kindergarten parents are invited to join us from 8:30 - 9:15 a.m. on either Tuesday, March 19 or Wednesday, March 20 in the FFCS Library Resource Center to enjoy a treat and hot beverage as you:

Learn about our 1st grade program

Meet our 1st grade teachers

Hear from current grade parents

Share what you are looking for in a 1st grade program

Please let Becky Walker know which session you plan to attend by Friday, March 15.



**Save the Date!!** FFCHS Spring Theater production of "Still Life with Iris" is coming April 26th @7PM and April 27th @ 1PM and 7PM. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and younger. Performances are in the FFCS gym. This is a fantastical adventure story that is suitable for all ages. Plan to come and enjoy our spring production!!

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## High School Track and Field

Date	Opponent	Time
Wed. March 20	Seton Catholic High School	3:45 pm
Sat. March 23	Tiger Invite (Battle Ground HS)	10:00 am
Mon. March 25	Kings Way Christian	3:45 pm

## 2018/19 Year Book

It's time to order your 2018/19 FFCS Yearbook. We order a limited number of yearbooks so you will want to secure your copy by ordering one by April 26th. Due to rising printing costs and the increasing size of our Yearbook we had to raise the price of our Yearbook to \$37.00. Don't miss out, order your copy soon! You can pick up an order form in either office or we have attached one to the Weekly Notes. Thank you for supporting Yearbook. Karla Merritt/Yearbook Advisor

## Automatic Re-enrollment Has Begun

Great news! No longer will you need to go through the process of re-enrolling your child prior to the start of each school year. We are doing all the work for you now with automatic re-enrollment! Check out the school website at [ffcs.org/automatic](http://ffcs.org/automatic) for more information.

## 2019-20 Tuition Rates

Tuition rates for the 2019-20 school year are now available on our website. Go to: [www.firmfoundationchristianschool.org](http://www.firmfoundationchristianschool.org) and click on the "Admissions" tab."

## Financial Aid for 2019-20 School Year

FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment will once again be conducting the financial need analysis for FFCS for the upcoming 2019-20 school year. Families applying for financial aid should complete an application and submit the necessary supporting documentation to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment by April 15, 2019. Please see the attachment for further instructions.



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## Cooking Showcase - By Sodexo

Congratulations to 4th Grader Emma Kovalev!

She was 1 of 18 out of all the 3rd and 4th grade students in the Battle Ground School District to prepare her own healthy Mexican recipe in a Cooking Showcase, hosted by our Food Service Provider, Sodexo. It's taking place next Thursday, March 21st at Battle Ground High School .

When you see Emma, cheer her on as she prepares for her special day and competes against other young chefs.

## Volunteer Opportunity

We are in need of some volunteers to bring breakfast items for our staff meeting/breakfasts on Fridays. If you need volunteer hours , please contact Mrs. Zinke for information . Thanks for your help!!

## March Student of the Month: Prayerful

Hello Families!

As you come alongside your child and go through your days, I encourage your family to discuss our new Student of the Month Trait: **Prayerful**. Romans 12 calls us to "Rejoice in hope, be patient in affliction, be constant in prayer...". To be prayerful is to seek the Lord in all things, communicate our thanks, praise and prayer requests and to wait patiently on His leading. I encourage you to help your child know that God loves to hear from us and wants us to talk to Him at any time!

May we all seek to have a heart that looks to praise and thank God for His goodness and ask for His help in our daily walk with Him.



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
The 20th Annual  
FFCS Golf Classic  
Friday, June 21st  
Lewis River Golf Course  
Woodland, WA!  
Registration will open  
Wednesday, March 13th.

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