

Freeman Public Schools  
415 Eighth Street  
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Adams NE 68301-0259

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **NO SCHOOL/EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS IN FEBRUARY**

- February 12<sup>th</sup> –No School
- February 15<sup>th</sup> –No School (Professional Development)

### **ACT FOR JUNIORS IS MARCH 23**

March 23rd is fast approaching for ALL juniors to take the ACT. It is now a state requirement for juniors to take the ACT through the school. Freeman's juniors will be testing at the Adams Community Building on Main Street. The date provided is the ONE DAY across the state that schools can give the paper/pencil version of the test. PLEASE MAKE SURE MARCH 23 IS LEFT CLEAR ON YOUR CALENDAR. **Do not schedule medical appointments, dental appointments, college visits, etc.** Students are to arrive at the Community Building at 8 a.m., and will be dismissed when the test is finished, around 1:30 p.m. A schedule will be released to juniors and parents soon.

### **KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION**

If you are planning to send your child to kindergarten for the 21-22 school year, please fill out the online pre-registration form. Click on this [link](#) or go to the Freeman website (<https://freemanpublicschools.org/>), click on the Parent Portal and the link is on the left side under Helpful Links. If you need a paper form, please contact the elementary office at 402 988-2525 ext. 102.

### **21-22 PRESCHOOL APPLICATION-**

The 21-22 preschool online application is now open. Freeman offers two preschool sessions for 4 year olds (8:00AM-11:20AM and 12:15PM-3:30PM). Click on this [link](#) or go to the Freeman website (<https://freemanpublicschools.org/>), click on the Parent Portal and the link is on the left side under Helpful Links. If you need a paper form, please contact the elementary office at 402 988-2525 ext. 102. First priority will go to in-district students.

**KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP DATE CHANGE-**Kindergarten Roundup for the next year's kindergarteners has been changed to Thursday, April 22. The students that are in Freeman preschool will attend during their regular preschool times. Non Freeman preschool students will be scheduled 8:30-11:00AM or 12:30-3:00PM.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>FEBRUARY 2021</b>	1 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- G/Varsity <b>TBA vs. TBA</b> @ TBA  <b>4:00pm</b> Basketball- G/JH <b>HTRS</b> @ H-TR-S	2 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- B/Varsity <b>TBA vs. TBA</b> @ TBA	3 <b>5:30pm</b> FFA State Degree Review- @ Sterling High School	4 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- G/Varsity @ SCC - Lincoln	5 <b>TBD</b> Basketball-B/Varsity@ Southeast Community College  <b>1:00pm-3:30pm</b> Strengths-@ FHS North Gym	6 <b>TBD</b> Wrestling- @ Doniphan-Trumbull HS  <b>TBD</b> Basketball- B/Varsity @ Southeast Community College
7	8 <b>4:00pm</b> Basketball- G/JH <b>Palmyra</b> @ Palmyra High School  <b>7:00pm</b> Board of Education Meeting- @ Freeman Media Center	9 <b>6:00pm Basketball-            G/JV Sterling @ Freeman            High School, North Gym</b>  <b>7:15pm Basketball-            G/Varsity Sterling @            Freeman High School,            North Gym</b>	10 <b>1:00pm Basketball-            G/JH Sterling @ Freeman            High School, South Gym</b>	11 TeamMates Night- @ Freeman Public Schools  <b>5:30pm</b> Basketball- G/JH <b>Malcolm vs.            Freeman</b> @ Malcolm HS  <b>5:30pm Basketball-            G/Varsity Johnson-Brock            @ Freeman HS, North</b>  <b>5:30pm Basketball-            B/JV Johnson-Brock @            Freeman HS, South Gym</b>  <b>7:15pm Basketball-            G/JV Johnson-Brock @            Freeman HS, South Gym</b>  <b>7:15pm Basketball-            B/Varsity Johnson-Brock            @ Freeman HS, North</b>	12 <b>No School-</b>	13 <b>TBD</b> Wrestling- Varsity <b>Elkhorn Valley vs.            TBA</b> @ Elkhorn Valley High School
14	15 <b>No School-</b>  <b>6:00pm Basketball-B/C            Team Falls City Sacred            Heart @ Freeman High            School, North Gym</b>	16 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- G/Varsity <b>TBD vs. TBD</b> @ TBA	17 <b>1:00pm</b> Basketball- G/JH <b>Diller-Odell</b> @ Diller- Odell High School	18 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- G/Varsity <b>TBD vs. TBD</b> @ TBA  <b>4:00pm Basketball-            G/JH Johnson-Brock @            Freeman HS, South</b>  <b>7:00pm</b> Community Strengths Session- @ Freeman Public Schools	19 <b>6:00pm Basketball-            B/JV Sterling @ Freeman            High School, North Gym</b>  <b>7:30pm Basketball-            B/Varsity Sterling @            Freeman High School,            North Gym</b>	20 State Cheer & Dance- @ Grand Island
21	22 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- B/Varsity <b>TBD vs. TBD</b> @ TBA  FFA National FFA Week- @ Freeman Public Schools	23 FFA National FFA Week- @ Freeman Public Schools  <b>TBD</b> Basketball- B/Varsity <b>TBD vs. TBD</b> @ TBA <b>4:00pm Basketball-            G/JH Syracuse @            Freeman High School,            South Gym</b>	24 FFA National FFA Week- @ Freeman Public Schools  FFA District Welding/Poultry Contests- @ Southeast Community College - Lincoln, Nebraska	25 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- B/Varsity <b>TBD vs. TBD</b> @ TBA  FFA Nebraska Ag Expo- @ Lincoln Lancaster County Event Center  FFA National FFA Week- @ Freeman Public Schools	26 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- G/Varsity <b>TBA vs. TBA</b> @ TBA  FFA National FFA Week- @ Freeman Public Schools	27 <b>TBD</b> Basketball- B/Varsity <b>TBD vs. TBD</b> @ TBA
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## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT, MR. ANDREW HAVELKA

Freeman Families:

January 28<sup>th</sup> marks the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school at Freeman Public Schools. In a “normal” year, the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school marks a significant milestone achieved and gives students and teachers the opportunity to combine aspects of several curricular areas into a focused event. The 100<sup>th</sup> day is extra special this year! We have been so fortunate to keep our kids in school this year and continue their learning. It has been an excellent 100 days, and I look forward to seeing what the remainder of the year will bring. Make sure to ask your child what activities they did and what the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school means to them.

### Weather

January has been filled with winter weather. Thank you for your patience and flexibility through the two winter storms we had thus far. A big thanks to those who helped clear our villages, township roads, and school grounds. Each school year, the district builds in three snow days into the calendar. Unfortunately, we have used those up! If additional snow days are needed, we will work with the board of education to amend the district calendar as needed.

### Calendar

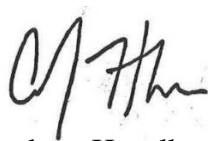
The 2020-2021 school calendar is available on our school website under the district tab. There will be no school for students on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> and Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Communication

If you are wondering what is going on at Freeman Public Schools, here are a few ways to get connected:

- **Website:** [freemanpublicschools.org](http://freemanpublicschools.org)
- **Falcon Flyer and rSchool Activities Calendar:** These are located on our website
- **Twitter:** Follow @Freeman\_Falcons or @FreemanPS\_Supt for daily communication
- **Newsletter:** This monthly newsletter will go out to parents and the community each month

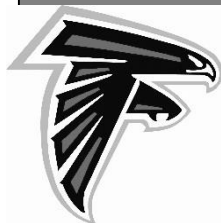
As always, please contact the school if you have any questions. February is upon us! Before we know it, spring will be here! I look forward to seeing our students do great things! Go Falcons!



Andrew Havelka, Freeman Superintendent

402-988-2525 x103 [Andrew.havelka@freemanschools.net](mailto:Andrew.havelka@freemanschools.net)

Twitter: @FreemanPS\_Supt



February  
2021

### No School Days

February 12-15  
March 12  
March 19  
March 25-26  
April 2  
April 5  
April 26

Early  
Dismissal  
May 18

No  
Kindergarten  
April 22

415 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
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Adams, NE 68301

Phone:  
402.988-2525  
Fax:

# Send a Valentine's Day Cookie with a message!

## Freeman High School Cheerleading Fundraiser

Pre-Order NOW - February 8<sup>th</sup> (While Supplies Last)

*Have someone you want to say "Happy Valentine's Day" to? Send that special someone a Personalized Valentine's Day Cookie with a message.*

- ♥ Purchase for your child, brother, sister, friends, parents, grandchildren, coaches, team members, paras, teachers, nurse, bus driver, counselor, cafeteria staff, office staff, the list is endless! **Delivery only available at Freeman.**
- ♥ Cost: \$2.00 Each
- ♥ **PRE-ORDER ONLY- Send slips and money to Attn: Timary Vetrovsky @Freeman Public Schools. Please return slips and payment by February 8th.**
- ♥ All cookies and attached messages will be delivered to the classrooms on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.
- ♥ All proceeds support the High School Cheerleading Team.
  - ♥ Thank you for your support.
  - ♥ Contact with any questions Timary Vetrovsky 402-239-2783

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### **Strengths at Freeman**

CliftonStrengths remains an important part of Freeman. Staff and students continue to learn more about their individual strengths and the strengths of those around them. This year we have been unable to hold special days to explore and learn more about CliftonStrengths, but the strengths language remains a part of what we do. The mission of Freeman Strengths is to view what is right about each person, to focus on each individual's strengths, not weaknesses. This has now been extended to our community as well. Monthly community meetings are held, both in person and via Zoom. These meetings are an opportunity to learn more about CliftonStrengths. If you would to learn more about Strengths at Freeman, check us out on social media using #freemanstrengths. You may also contact us at school using the email:

[strengths@freemanschools.net](mailto:strengths@freemanschools.net)



## Freeman Elementary Families!

During the upcoming semester at Freeman, young Falcon Musicians will be busy working on their upcoming Music Concerts. This is an exciting opportunity for our students to showcase their musical talents for all to enjoy.

Elementary Music Concerts are scheduled to occur in March, but due to COVID, all of the plans are TENTATIVE! Freeman Music Department and Freeman Public Schools will finalize all of the concert details as the concert date approaches; however, we wanted to provide the dates and times of our current and tentative plans. TENTATIVE plans include the following dates:

**Tuesday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m... Kindergarten, 1st Grade, and 2nd Grade Concert**

**Tuesday, March 9 at 6:30 p.m...3rd Grade and 4th Grade Concert**

**Tuesday, March 9 at 7:30 p.m...5th Grade and 6th Grade Concert**

Thank you for your continued support of music at Freeman Public Schools!

### Freeman District Writing

The Freeman District writing assessment is about to begin. Every student will participate in a grade-level writing assessment, and will be allowed accommodations according to individual IEPs.

In academics and in the world of employment, writing is often a process that spans more than one day. Revision and editing is a process. Our assessments will reflect the same principles. Therefore, the writing assessment in each class is to begin on a Monday and be due on Friday of the same week. All work is to be done at school. No work outside of the classroom is allowed. Teachers are not to help with this piece of writing; it is to be a reflection of the skills and knowledge held by each student.

Grades 3 through 12 will be assessed between February 10 and March 27. Grades K-2 will write in April. The junior's assessment is the writing assessment on the ACT, which is March 23. The senior research paper will be the senior's writing assessment.

### TeamMates Matches Continue to Meet

TeamMates of Freeman currently has 49 matches. Matches are meeting in-person and via Zoom. We continue to have students apply to be matched with a mentor. Right now we are in need of female mentors as we have a number of girls on our list. Apply at [www.TeamMates.org](http://www.TeamMates.org) or contact Danelle Evers or Teri Nieveen for more information.

We will be holding our TeamMates Recognition night on February 11 in conjunction with the Freeman/Johnson-Brock basketball games. Mentees and Mentors must be on an approved pass list for admittance. A raffle will also be held that week with all proceeds remaining with our Freeman chapter.

### 2020-2021 Freeman Junior-Senior High School - First Semester Honor and Merit Roll

#### Honor Roll

**Seniors:** Taylor Anderson, Abigail Braden, Amber Dorn, Isabella Haner, Brooklyn Ideus, Ashton Niles, Holden Ruse

**Juniors:** Talisa Buhr, Tandon Buhr, Brian Connelly, Noah Jurgens, Curtis Krause, Alex Podtburg, Zach Robeson, Grace VanEngen

**Sophomores:** Summer Buss, Nathan Eisenbarth, Rebecca Ford, Sadie Larkins, Paige Mahler, Catherine Reed

**Freshmen:** Kyla Davison, Ruby Hinderer, Cassie Klein, Cort Schmidt

**Eighth Grade:** Solomon Delhay, Molly Flanagan, Ruby Goes, Anna Johansen, Reagan Miller, Rilyn Otto, Brady Troxel

#### Merit Roll

**Seniors:** Camryn Beebe, Afton Buhr, Emma Hemminger, Addison Hestermann, Jessie Klein, Tristan Sugden

**Juniors:** Ian Alberts, Nathen Archer, Madison Gee, Jenna Husband, Haden Otto, Kailey Otto, Meredith Ruyle

**Sophomores:** Kylie Boyer, Gideon Connelly, Eli Delhay, Allison Ford, Brandon Jurgens, Caryss Jurgens, Trevor Parde, Thies Richardson, Carter Ruse, Lauren Scholz, Lexi Winkle

**Freshmen:** Kellen Anderson, Dakota Haner, Wes Havelka, Faith Holland, Eric Knipe, Kolby Mahler, Brooke McPherrin, Brooklyn Podtburg, Katheryn Stewart

**Eighth Grade:** Jenna Anderson, Ella Archer, Evan Ault, Seth Dean, Alissa Eisenbarth, Madison Fikar, Derek Krause, Max Latta, Adisyn Lempka, Adriona Little, Jonah Metzger, Jordyn Pella, Trevor Reed, Kierstin Rehrs, Kinley Speth, Hannah Stanley, Hudson Vetrovksy, Lily Wiese

**Seventh Grade:** Kaylie Beu, Caitlynn Burrows, Easton Buss, Jordyn Buss, Owen Buss, Tessa Harms, Courtney Holliday, Alicia Johansen, True Jurgens, Addison Kastanek, Keston Krupicka, Sydney Lenner, Leyton Lueders, Nevaeh Niles, Case Richardson, Andrew Robeson, Benjamin Ruyle, Sam Troxel

## MENUS

Cereal, juice & fruit are offered with breakfast. All meals come with one carton of milk. Extra milk may be purchased for \$0.35 each. Menu subject to change. **Purchase of an entrée only or an additional entrée will cost \$1.00 for students and staff.**

	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch</u>
<b><u>February 1-5</u></b>		
Monday:	French Toast	Walking Taco, Chips, Cheese, Salsa, Peaches, Vegetables
Tuesday:	Muffin	Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potato, Gravy, Vegetables, Bread & Butter, Pineapple
Wednesday:	Pancakes	Ribette, Bun, Potato Triangles, Vegetables, Pears
Thursday:	Donut	Chili or Vegetable Beef Soup, PBJ, Vegetables, Applesauce
Friday:	Omelet	Fiestada, Corn, Vegetables, Oranges
<b><u>February 8-12</u></b>		
Monday:	French Toast	Spaghetti & Meat sauce, Breadstick, Vegetables, Pineapple
Tuesday:	Muffin	Mandarin Chicken , Rice, California Blend, Vegetable, Roll & Butter, Oranges
Wednesday:	Pancakes	Sub Sandwich, Chips, Vegetables, Applesauce
Thursday:	Donut	Hamburger, Bun, Baked Beans, Vegetables, Peaches
Friday:	No School	
<b><u>February 15-19</u></b>		
Monday:	No School	
Tuesday:	Muffin	Chicken Patty, Mashed Potato, Gravy, Bread & Butter, Vegetables, Pears
Wednesday:	Pancake	Fish , Mac-n-Cheese, Vegetables, Roll & Butter, Oranges
Thursday:	Donut	Sloppy Joes, Bun, Baked Beans, Vegetable, Peaches
Friday:	Omelet	Cheese Pizza, Corn, Vegetables ,Applesauce
<b><u>February 22-26</u></b>		
Monday:	French Toast	Br. Pork Patty, Bun, Potato Triangles, Vegetables, Pears
Tuesday:	Muffin	Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potato, Gravy, Bread & Butter, Vegetables, Peaches
Wednesday:	Pancake	Chili Dog, Bun, Green Beans, Vegetables, Oranges
Thursday:	Donut	Fiestada, Broccoli, Vegetables, Pineapple
Friday:	Omelet	Fish , Bun, Baked Beans, Vegetables, Applesauce

### **TOTAL MONTHLY COST**

	Days	Price	Total
K-2 Afternoon Milk	18	\$0.35	\$6.30
Adult Lunch Price:		\$3.80	

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