

Freeman Public Schools
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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

[FREE AND REDUCED APPLICATIONS LINK](#)

May 16: 1pm Dismissal for Last Day of 2022/2023 School Year



Communication:

If you are wondering what is happening at Freeman, here are a few ways to get connected:

- ☐ Website: www.freemanpublicschools.org
- ☐ rSchool Activities Calendar:
<https://www.eastcentralnebraskaconf.org/public/genie/455/school/558/>
- ☐ Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FreemanPublicSchools/>
- ☐ Twitter: @Freeman_Falcons and @FreemanPS_Supt
- ☐ Monthly Newsletter – emailed monthly to all families

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May, 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 TBD Track-JV/V @ Louisville	2 9am Track-JV/V @ Freeman	3 Signing Day @ Freeman	4 7pm Academic Awards Night @ FHS - North Gym	5 10am Track-JH @ Freeman 7pm Activities Awards Night @ Freeman North Gym	6
7	8 MUSIC JH/HS Honor ECNC Band @ Falls City HS 7pm Board of Education Meeting @ Freeman Media Center	9 Senior's Last Day (full day).	10 Baccalaureate @ Zion Lutheran-Pickrell 7pm Graduation Rehearsal 9am FHS	11 Dist. Track-Syracuse JV/Varsity	12 Preschool Graduation @ Freeman North Gym	13 4pm HS Senior Graduation @ Freeman North Gym
14	15 8:30am-3pm Elem Field Day @ Freeman-Falcon Stadium	16 <u>Last Day of School</u> <u>1pm Dismissal</u> Have a Great Summer!	17 No School - Professional Development @ Freeman	18	19 TBD State Track-@ Omaha Burke Stadium	20 TBD State Track-@ Omaha Burke Stadium
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



*Upcoming Dates:

-2023/2024 school year Free & Reduced Price Meal Program application can be obtained after July 15th from the Elementary Office and will also be included in the August newsletter.

(Households currently on the program must complete a new application every year to continue receiving benefits).

-August 8th-2023/2024 K-12 Open House

-August 10th-First Day of 2023/2024 School Year; 1pm Early Dismissal

-August 14th-Preschool begins



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FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT, MR. ANDREW HAVELKA

Freeman Families and Staff:

We are down to our final fifteen days of school! We have had a great year with multiple successes. The last fifteen days will have multiple activities, including field trips, Field Day, track meets, and graduation events! We are so excited to have a fantastic end to the school year.

I recently asked for student, teacher, and parent feedback regarding student cell phone use in school. I put together the results of the surveys [HERE](#). Please let the school know if you receive this newsletter via regular mail or are having trouble viewing the results.

Congratulations are in order for two special groups of students - the Freeman class of 2023 and the Freeman class of 2036. Both the seniors and pre-schoolers will be graduating in May!
Class of 2023: Camden Behrens, Riley Bernhardt, Kylie Boyer, Summer Buss, Wyatt Buss, Gideon Connelly, Eli Delhay, Mason Denzin, Nathan Eisenbarth, Allison Ford, Hailey Ford, Rebecca Ford, Shelby Ford, Carter Fursenau, Grayson Gibbons, Olivia Gouldie, Trenn Hoffman-Ideus, Faith Husband, Brandon Jurgens, Caryss Jurgens, Sadie Larkins, Paige Mahler, Megan Nelson, Carter Niles, Trevor Parde, Rebecca Pellegrini, Catie Reed, Thies Richardson, Baron Rogman, Carter Ruse, Lauren Scholz, Hayleigh Shubert, Magnus Skaarnes, Taylan Vetrovsky, Lexi Winkle

Class of 2036: Charli Brungardt, Baker Buhr, Jake Buhr, Bo Busboom, Gage Campbell, Kyra Ebbers, Kennedy Fanders, Mason Fast, Brandt Flesner, Claire Freeman, Hector Gramajo, Henry Gramann, Hayes Grone, Coral Harms, Allison Ideus, Knox Kroeker, Everest Larson, Marek Moore, Madilyn Mueller, Paul Nelson, Bryndle Peters, Emery Rist, Beau Sales, Victoria Stanley-Hesson, LylaRae Walker, Aiden Young, Oliver Young

Calendar

The 2022-2023 school calendar is available on our school website under the District tab.

Here are some important dates:

- ☐ May 12 – Pre-School Graduation
- ☐ May 13 – High School Graduation
- ☐ May 16 – 1:00 Early Out, Student's last day

Thank you for your support of Freeman Public Schools. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out. Have a great week!

Dr. Andrew Havelka

Superintendent of Freeman Public Schools

From the Desk of 7-12 Principal, Steve Adkisson



LAST DAY OF SCHOOL and EARLY DISMISSAL

The last day of school is Tuesday, May 16. School will dismiss at 12:50 pm that day, lunch will be served. The normal routes and routines will be used after school that day except that everything will happen earlier. Students will need to have all items returned and fines paid before they will be allowed to check out.

SENIORS LAST DAY

The last day for seniors will be Tuesday, May 9. It will be a full day and a reminder that they will need to have all items turned in and fines paid before they will be checked out.

BACHELORETTE

Bachelorette service will be held on Wednesday, May 10 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Pickrell. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m.

GRADUATION

Seniors will have a Graduation rehearsal on Wednesday, May 10 at 10:00 a.m. in the North Gym. All seniors are expected to attend.

The Graduation ceremony will be on Saturday, May 13 starting at 4:00 p.m. in the North Gym. Families of graduates will have assigned seating on the floor for the ceremony. There will be a receiving line on the East side of the building following the ceremony. Looking forward to honoring this class for their years as Falcons.

THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the patrons of the district for making my 'one year' principalship successful. I was a little apprehensive to start with a new school, but having known some of the staff it turned to excitement when I was offered the position. This school year has been as rewarding for me on a professional and personal level as any in my 35 years in education. Those experiences are from working with a dedicated teaching and office staff, enthusiastic student body, and supportive parents and patrons. Finally, the administration team of Mrs. Sieh and Dr. Havelka are as solid as any Nebraska school and are poised to continue the growth of Freeman Schools. I will be watching the Falcons more closely in the coming year!

Freeman Public Schools has a duty to identify, refer, evaluate, and if eligible, provide a free, appropriate public education to students with disabilities. If you suspect that your child is struggling in school or may have a disability, Freeman Public Schools can assist you.

For additional information about the rights of parents of eligible children or for answers to any questions you might have about identification, evaluation, and placement into Section 504 and special education programs, please contact Freeman's superintendent, Dr. Andrew Havelka at 402-988-2525

Elementary Field Day Monday, May 15, 2023 @ Falcon Stadium

Kindergarten - 3rd Grade: 8:30 AM - 11:15 AM

We will begin the morning at 8:30 with a pep rally kicking off "GameDay" followed by 10 "GameDay Stations". The students will complete the stations with their class. At 10:30, we will start running events (200M, 100M, 50M, 400M, 4x100M Relay). Students will be encouraged to participate in as many running events on the track as they would like to.

K-6 Lunch @ the Stadium: 11:15 AM - 12:00 PM

4th Grade - 6th Grade: 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

4th grade - 6th grade will participate in a track meet. Each student will participate in one field event and at least 2 individual running events. They can participate in another individual running event or the 4x100 meter relay. We will practice these events during PE.

Track & Field Meet Schedule

	Long Jump	High Jump	Javelin Throw
Group 1: 12:00 PM	4th Grade	4th Grade	4th Grade
Group 2: to follow group 1	5th Grade	5th Grade	5th Grade
Group 3: to follow group 2	6th Grade	6th Grade	6th Grade

1:15 Running Events Start or when Field Events are finished

All Events Girls followed by Boys

100 Meter Hurdles

50 Meter Dash

400 Meter Run

100 Meter Dash

800 Meter Run

4x100 Meter Relay

Works from Conference Art Show



Hayleigh Shubert and Olivia Gouldie attended the ECNC conference art clinic at UNL and learned more about the process of wire weaving. During their visit we attended the Sheldon Art Museum, Noyes Art Gallery and Burkholder Gallery.



Freeman Art



Freeman Hosts Family Math Night

The Freeman gym was busy on March 27th when a number of families came in and explored a variety of math activities during Family Math Night. Ranging from number sense to algebra to geometry, families chose activities to do together. Activities were competitive, creative, and educational. It was an opportunity to see math outside of a textbook and worksheet. A drawing for prizes brought the math night to end, and all participants were served pizza and cookies.

Following Family Math Night was the Community CIP meeting. The CIP (Continuous Improvement Process) team gave an overview of Freeman's Mission statement and goals to the community members present. A highlight of the evening was the presentations given by members of the elementary, junior high, and high school student councils. Next year is Freeman Public Schools external visit. We are looking for community members willing to serve on a community panel during this time. Please contact the school if you would be willing to participate or learn more about becoming involved at Freeman.



The Freeman FBLA chapter has had a productive year this year, participating in a number of competitions and winning numerous awards. On February 15th, the chapter went to the Peru State College Business Contest, giving competitors a taste of what was to come at the State Leadership Conference.

From April 1st through the 3rd, the Freeman FBLA chapter made its way to Kearny for the 2023 State Leadership Conference. The occasion sped by at breakneck pace with days filled with informative keynote speakers and seminars, competitive tests, student presentations, and group projects.

On the 3rd, the event drew to a close with the Awards Ceremony, in which the finalists for each event were announced, with the top three from each event being eligible to compete at the National Leadership Conference in Atlanta this June.

At Freeman, 10 students total won a number of awards and placed well both in the Peru State College Business Contest and the State Leadership Conference. At the former, Ben Ruyle and Sam Troxel won 3rd and 6th place in Keyboarding, respectively. Solomon Delhay won 3rd place in Web Page Design and 5th in Computer Concepts, and Rebecca Ford won 6th in Business Law and 9th in Business Communications.

At the State Leadership Conference, Catie Reed won 2nd in Hospital Administration and qualifies for the National Leadership Conference. In their group project, Solomon Delhay, Max Latta, and Derek Krause also qualify for the National Leadership Conference, placing 3rd in Network Design. Taylan Vetrovsky, Carter Ruse, and Eli Delhay collectively placed 6th in Sports and Entertainment Management. Max Latta also placed 6th in Intro to Business Concepts. Solomon Delhay placed in two other solo events: Intro to Financial Math, 6th, and Intro to Info Tech, 8th. Rebecca Ford placed 5th in Business Communications, and Summer Buss was awarded an Honorable Mention in Personal Finance.

Written by VP Rebecca Ford





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Yearbooks ordered.

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Freeman Public

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DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS YEAR'S BOOK! THE YEARBOOK STAFF IS HARD AT WORK CREATING A NEW AND IMPROVED BOOK. THIS YEAR'S BOOK IS IN FULL COLOR. FREEMAN IS ONE OF THE FEW SCHOOLS IN NEBRASKA THAT CONTINUES TO INCLUDE ALL GRADES IN THE YEARBOOK.

STUDENT NAME _____ GRADE _____

NUMBER OF YEARBOOKS AT \$55 EACH _____

TOTAL AMOUNT SUBMITTED: _____



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MENUS

Cereal, juice & fruit are offered with breakfast. All meals come with one carton of milk.

Extra milk may be purchased for \$0.40 each. Menu is subject to change.

Ala carte items additional charge. Entrees are \$1. each and sides \$0.50.

<u>May 1-5</u>	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch</u>		
Monday:	French toast	Hamburger, Bun, Baked Beans, Vegetables, Peaches		
Tuesday:	Muffins	Chili Dog, Bun, Green Beans, Vegetables, Pears		
Wednesday:	Waffles	Chicken Patty, Mashed Potato, Gravy, Bread & Butter/PB, Oranges		
Thursday:	Donut	Spaghetti & Meatsauce, Vegetables, Breadsticks, Pineapple		
Friday:	Omelets	Falcon Hero Sub, Chips, Vegetables, Applesauce		
<u>May 9-13</u>				
Monday:	French Toast	Walking Taco's, Chips, Cheese, Vegetables, Pears		
Tuesday:	Muffin	Mandarin Chicken, Rice, Broccoli, Roll & Butter, Pineapple		
Wednesday:	Pancakes	COOKS CHOICE		
Thursday:	Donut	COOKS CHOICE		
Friday:	Omelet	COOKS CHOICE		
<u>May 16-17</u>				
Monday:	COOK CHOICE	COOKS CHOICE		
Tuesday:	COOK CHOICE	COOKS CHOICE		
MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!!				

TOTAL MONTHLY COST

Elementary Lunch	22	\$2.95	\$64.90
JH/HS Lunch	22	\$3.25	\$71.50
Adult Lunch Price:		\$4.25	

Breakfast: K-12 served 7:45-8:05. Cost for K-12 is \$1.95 Adult price is \$2.60