



Adams Apple

FTCSC Mission Statement

Our mission is to install in all students a passion for lifelong learning and to inspire each one to contribute as a responsible citizen to the future of our interconnected world.

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August 22, 2014

Important Dates:

Wednesday, August 27 th	Early dismissal 3:20
Monday, September 1 st	No School-Labor Day
Wednesday, September 3 rd	Early dismissal 3:20 Midterm ends
Friday, September 5 th	School Pictures Bus Driver Appreciation Day Midterms sent home Next Adams Apple sent home

Criminal History Checks

Any parent wishing to work with students outside of the classroom, i.e. in hall or on a field trip where they would take a group out of eyesight of the teacher, will need to complete a criminal history check. Please go to the FTCSC website and find the link under human resources. The cost is \$15.95. The background check lasts 2 years.

If you think you might want to go on a fieldtrip this year, please do it now. The checks usually take two weeks to clear.

COMMUNICATION

Parents, we depend on you to communicate your needs to us. We will continue to put your child on the bus or send them to the back door or YMCA, **UNLESS** we hear differently from you. **IF** you do have a change in transportation, **PLEASE send in a note or call the front office** so we can make that change for you. We do not simply take the word of the child because at times they may be confused.

Check your child's
backpack for fall
fundraiser information!

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Our Parent/Teacher Conferences are important events of the year. Each parent will have approximately 15 minutes to discuss your child's progress during the first nine weeks. These conferences are taking place on Wednesday, October 8 and Thursday, October 9 this year. Watch for important scheduling information coming home on Monday, September 15.

Picture Day

On Friday, September 5, Life Touch Picture Company will be here to take our students' pictures. An envelope and information will be sent home earlier that week. Please fill out the envelope and include a check if you wish to purchase pictures. **ALL** students will have their pictures taken and included in the yearbook even if you do not purchase a package of pictures.

DIBELS

All of our students will participate in the DIBELS assessment on August 26th, 27th or 28th. DIBELS is a short reading test that indicates if each child is at benchmark. If a child is not at benchmark, interventions are put in place for him/her and they are progress monitored every two weeks to decide if the interventions are helping him/her improve.

Please join us for the **First PTS Meeting of the school year on Tuesday, September 9th at 7:00 in the media center.** We will also discuss how to view your student's grades on Infinite Campus and behavior on Class Dojo.



Don't forget to like Adams Elementary on Facebook.



Nurse Notes

Thanks so much for returning the clinic consents and health concerns forms. I am missing less than ten, and I've reviewed all the health concerns and feel prepared to provide excellent care of your child this year. I am currently reviewing all the immunization records. If your child needs an immunization to be up to date with state standards, I will be contacting you by letter or phone. I will work with you to schedule appointments, and I have several resources for low cost immunizations.

On Tuesday September 30th, the Marion County Health Dept. will be at Adams Elementary to perform vision screening. All children in the third grades, fifth grades, students who are new to Marion County, and children from other grades suspected of having a vision problem will be screened this day. (Students in first grade will receive a more thorough exam by the eye doctors at Best in Sight in October) Please mark your calendars for this important day. Please direct any objections to the clinic by September 23rd.

I have seen an increase in illness since our last newsletter. A review of guidelines for keeping your child home from school includes one or more of the following symptoms: vomiting, diarrhea, undiagnosed body rash, severe coughing, eye discharge or redness, or fever of 100 degrees or more. Please do not send the child back to school until he/she has been fever-free (without fever-reducing medications) and with no vomiting/diarrhea for 24 hours. Antibiotics which have been prescribed for eye or throat infections must have been given for 24 hours before the student returns to school. This will help prevent the spread of infection to others. If any questions regarding these guidelines, please call me in clinic at 860-4289 or email at natalie.davis@ftcsc.k12.in.us

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Car Rider Info

A.M.(Morning) Procedure:

- Drop off is between 8:40-8:50
- The designated drop off area is at the back of the building
- The first car pulls all the way to the TOP of the sidewalk. We can usually fit 5-7 cars around the sidewalk area. All cars unload on the SIDEWALK, right side.
- If your car stops just short of the sidewalk, they you wait. When the group in front pulls away, your car becomes the first car to pull to the TOP of the sidewalk.
- We proceed like this until the cars are done unloading.
- The bell rings at 8:50am. If the doors are shut, the you need to pull around to the front office, walk your child inside, sign them in and they will get a tardy slip to take to class.

P.M.(Afternoon) Procedures:

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday dismissal is at 3:50 p.m. until all the cars are loaded.
 - Wednesday dismissal is at 3:20 until all the cars are loaded
 - The designated loading area is at the back of the building
 - The first car pulls all the way to the TOP of the sidewalk. We can usually fit 5-7 cars around the sidewalk area.
 - Once the bell rings, we send the first group of children out to the cars. They stop at the last line before the sidewalk curves. When all the cars on the sidewalk have stopped rolling, then we tell the children they may walk to their car
 - Please load your child from the SIDEWALK, right side, of the car
 - Once the children are in their car and the group drives off, then the next batch pulls up to the TOP of the sidewalk and we repeat the above step
 - We continue in this fashion until all the children are safely loaded
 - Please stay behind the car in front of you, unless one of the supervising teacher's tells you to go head. If you try to pull out and around you may not be thinking of everyone's safety at that moment.
 - We generally finish loading by 4:05 p.m. If you are running late and know you will be past 4:05; call the office and inform them. Your child will be waiting in the office.
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Submitted by: Franklin Township Child Nutrition Program

Have you been looking for an opportunity to work part-time but the idea of working nights and weekends will not fit into your schedule. The Child Nutrition Program, better known as Star Express, is currently accepting applications for short hour and substitute positions. If you or someone you know is looking for a fast-paced, rewarding career in child nutrition, please visit the Franklin Township Community School Corporation website to fill out an electronic employment application. Go to www.ftcsc.k12.in.us/hr/ and click on the *Employment Opportunities* link toward the bottom of the page. We are no longer able to accept paper applications. Franklin Township Community School Corporation requires that all applicants complete a criminal history check through Safe Hiring Solutions. In order to expedite the hiring process, we ask that you begin the criminal history check at the time that you apply for a child nutrition position. The link to Safe Hiring Solutions can be found under the *Volunteers* tab to the left of the *Employment* page. When filling out the criminal history information, please be sure to select “employment”, not “volunteer”.

As a child nutrition employee, you have the opportunity to impact each and every student that enters the school in a positive way. Please consider joining the Star Express Team!
Feel free to call Kathy Moorhead at 317-862-2411 with any questions.

Please feel free to contact the *Star Express* Registered Dietitians with any comments and/or questions. They would love to hear from you!

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