



Adams Apple

FTCSC Students...Prepared for Life's Possibilities!

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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September 5, 2014

Important Dates:

Tuesday, September 9 th	Art Club 3:50-5:00 PTS Meeting 7:00 Media Center
Wednesday, September 10 th	Drama Club 3:20-5:00 Early Dismissal 3:20
Thursday, September 11 th	Art Club 3:20-5:00
Tuesday, September 16 th	Art Club 3:20-5:00
Wednesday, September 17 th	Early Release 3:20 Homecoming parade 5:30 Market Day pick up 6:00-7:00pm
Thursday, September 18 th	Art Club 3:50-5:00
Friday, September 19 th	School Spirit Day YMCA Appreciation Day Adams Apple sent home

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.

Father/Daughter Dance

On Friday, September 26 from 6:30-7:30pm the PTS will host a Father/Daughter Dance in our cafeteria. The cost is \$5. This will cover refreshments, photo and lots of fun. Please turn in your pink form and \$5 asap.



Kindergarten Assessment Night

On September 30th from 6:00-7:00 our Kindergarten teachers will meet with parents to explain the assessments that are administered to our Kindergarten students. This is a very informative program! Parents will actually receive the assessment reports during parent/teacher conferences.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

On Monday, September 15, parents will receive information on our parent/teacher conferences. Please fill out the form and return it to your child's teacher by Friday, September 19th. Teachers will send a letter confirming the day and time of your conference.

Conferences will be held on the evenings of Wednesday, October 8th and Thursday, October 9th

Academic Update

3rd, 4th, and 5th graders will continue to take Acuity assessments three times a year. These have changed in a couple ways. First, they are no longer predictive of the state test because the state test has changed. ISTEP is now the College and Career Readiness Test. Also, Acuity will only cover the standards in one grade level instead of having some questions from the grade level above and some from the grade level below the current grade your child is in.

BOXTOPS for EDUCATION

Classroom Competition

Help your child's classroom be the SUPER HEROES by collecting the most boxtops between now and Fall Break in October. The top 3 classrooms will win awards. We will have contests every couple of months, so cut, and send them in with your child all year long. Please make sure the expiration date can be seen on the boxtop.

Important notice for parents of 5th graders:

Parents are encouraged to attend a parents-only meeting presented by the staff of Creating Positive Relationships, about a puberty program for 5th grade students. The meeting will be held at Central Office, 6141 S. Franklin Rd. on Tues., Sept. 23 at 7:00. Please plan to attend this important meeting to preview the videos and have your questions answered by the presenter.

ATTENTION 4th and 5th Graders:

Student Council will be starting at the end of this month.

Look for the form coming home this week. Fill it out if you are interested in being a leader of your school!

We will meet one Thursday per month.

We participate in Candy Grams, Kids Helping Kids and other various projects.

Please discuss with your parents as they will be your transportation home.

Forms are due to Ms. Roberts or Mrs.

Rairdan by Friday September 12.

Please join us for the Parent Volunteer Night on September 25th. We will be working to get things ready for the Father/Daughter Dance!!

Give Miss West a high five!! She earned funding from DonorsChoose.org for a classroom project called "Let's Start the Year Right...With New(Replaced) Resources."



\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ Dining for Bucks \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$
Please mark your calendars for September 24th.

This is our second night dining out.

We will eat at Chili's on US 31 by Greenwood Park Mall on September 24th.

We earned \$430.00 at Chicago's last month!!

WAY TO GO!!

Calling ALL Super Heroes!!

We need to unite on **Wed. September 17th** for the **2014 Annual Homecoming Parade**. Kids, find your super hero costumes! Parents, wear your favorite super hero T-shirt or costume!! Bring a bucket of your favorite candy to share. Wagons can be decorated as floats! Parents, if you have a golf cart or a motorized vehicle, which could be decorated and join the parade, please let us know.

You can email Mrs. Hardcastle at dawn.hardcastle@ftcsc.k12.in.us with any ideas you might have.

Join us before 4:30 at Wanamaker Elementary parking lot. Allow time for heavy traffic.

Join the Adams family in the parade. WE NEED YOU!!!! Parade begins at 5:30.

Thank you.

Reminder-Textbook rental fees were due in August. If you need textbook assistance, please fill out a free and reduced application. Any 2014-15 textbook fee's that are not paid by October 1, 2014 will be sent to Statewide Collection Agency.

Please call the office if you have any questions.



Nurse Notes

Notice of vision screening:

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. Please mark your calendars for this important day. Please contact Mrs. Davis at 860-4289 for questions.

All 1st grade students will have vision screening done on **Wed. Oct.1**, through the generosity of Drs. Huffman, Rich and Potter, optometrists in Franklin Township Corporation. FT buses will transport students to and from the screening, held at Kitley Elementary School. 1st graders will be screened in accordance with IN law, using the Modified Clinical Technique, a group of tests designed to determine the presence of any vision difficulties. The four parts include visual acuity, eye muscle balance, retinoscopy, and ocular health. Good vision is essential to learning. Please contact Mrs. Davis at 860-4289 for questions.

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Thanks for all the ALS ICE BUCKET CHALLENGE Donations. We raised
\$1206.00!!!!!!



Don't forget to like Adams Elementary on Facebook. Stay updated on the latest happenings at Adams!

Adams Elementary School-wide Positive Behavior Support Plan

*Be a Star with the 3 R's



Parents/Guardians:

"The Three R's" program is used to encourage positive behaviors in our students. It is important that students understand our expectations for positive behavior, as well as which behaviors are not acceptable.

Purpose:

The goal of this behavior support plan is to increase academic engagement of students, increase instructional time of staff, and better prepare our students in their pursuit of lifelong learning. This will also create a climate of academic excellence, where all staff and students feel valued and safe.

Implementation

- During the first few weeks of school, students learned the meaning of the Three R's (Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn) and how to use them at school.
- Students learned behavior expectations and procedures to follow in each area of the school building.
- Teachers track student behaviors on a classroom clip chart and a traveling clipboard.
- Positive and negative behaviors are reinforced by moving clip up and down on classroom chart.
- Individuals and whole classes are also rewarded with verbal praise and a star.
- Stars are placed in a classroom bucket.
- When enough stars are earned to reach the class goal (determined by the teacher), the entire class will be rewarded.
- Behaviors are documented in Classroom DoJo, which can be accessed online (you received parent codes at Back To School Night)

Positive Behaviors and Consequences

Students exhibiting exceptional behavior will have positive consequences such as:

- Moving clip up on classroom behavior chart
- Individual praise notes
 - Anyone who receives a Praise Note during the week will be able to have their name put into a drawing. If a student's name is drawn, he or she will be able to make an appearance on morning announcements.
- Star Stamp in planner
- Sharp Shooting (shooting basketball goals in Ms. Schuldt's office)
- Whole class rewards such as popsicle parties, extra recess, extra game time, lunch with the teacher, etc.