

FRANKLIN FALCON NEWS



2025



BAND AND ORCHESTRA NEWS

The orchestra and band combined-school rehearsals at Lincoln High School are approaching! The all-city orchestra rehearsal will be on Monday, April 14, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. All students will be bussed from Franklin School. The all-city orchestra concert will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Lincoln High School auditorium.

The combined school band rehearsal will be on Wednesday, April 16, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in the Lincoln High School auditorium. All band students will be bussed to Lincoln High School for the rehearsal. The concert will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Lincoln High School auditorium.



BICYCLE SAFETY

With the weather warming up, it's the perfect time to bring out the bikes; however, before the kids start riding, here are some tips to stay safe on two wheels.

Why is bike safety so important? Bike riding is a lot of fun, but accidents can happen. Bike safety should be reviewed with kids to prevent bike injuries.

Why should kids wear a bike helmet? Wearing a well-fitted bike helmet helps protect the face, head and brain if they fall down. Wear a helmet for every ride, even if it is a short one. Do not wear a hat under the helmet! Take care of the helmet. If the helmet is damaged, it will not protect the child as well. Reflective stickers on the helmet is a great idea so drivers can see your child better.

What should kids wear when riding a bike? Kids should wear bright colored clothes to help others see them. Reflectors should also be on bikes to help keep them stay safe. Always wear sneakers when riding a bike, not flip-flops or sandals, and never ride barefoot! Do not allow your child to wear headphones, which can distract from noises around them.

Where is it safe to ride a bike? Parents should review with their child where they are allowed to ride, how far they can go, and if they can ride on the sidewalk or street. Daytime riding is the safest, and always keep an eye out for cars and trucks.

WELCOME TO SUMMER SCHOOL 2025!

Summer is around the corner and that means it's time for Summer School! We're so excited to have you join us for a summer filled with learning, growth and new opportunities! Our Franklin students will attend summer school at Franklin School. Whether your child is here to catch up, get ahead or explore something new, our summer programs are designed to help your child succeed.

Summer School registration is April 1-May 1, and is open and free to all students who live within the boundaries of the Manitowoc Public School District. Free breakfast and lunch will be available to elementary students who are attending the building-based summer school program. For more information regarding the summer school program, please visit https://www.manitowocpublicschools.org/services/summer_school.

COMMUNITY FLYERS UPDATE

As a service to the community, the Manitowoc Public School District posts flyers for upcoming events from nonprofit organizations on their homepage and Facebook page. Please visit the web site at www.manitowocpublicschools.org/for_families/community_flyers for additional information on the following flyers:

Woodland Dunes Nature Center & Preserve Summer Camps
Fleet Farm - Create Your Own Easter Bucket!
Summer Music Camp
Concert Series at the Franciscan Center
Newton Baseball/Softball Registration
UWGB Camps and Youth Programming
Community and Juniors Soccer 2025 Spring Season Registration
Manitowoc Youth Baseball Registration

PTA NOTES



What an amazing turn out we had for our Penny Wars! We raised a total of \$547.67, which will be used to help pay for the Kids Heart Challenge Dance party and the end-of-year field day. Congratulations to the third grade classes for collecting \$179.09; fifth grade classes raised \$120.49 and first grade came in third place for collecting \$96.37. Way to go everyone!

Our spring rummage sale is rapidly approaching! As you work on your spring cleaning and find that you have extra items around the house that you would like to get rid of, consider having a table in our rummage sale. The rummage sale will be held on Thursday, April 24, and Friday, April 25, from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; and Saturday, April 26, from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Set-up will be on Wednesday, April 23, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. It costs \$15.00 to reserve a spot if you bring your own table, and \$20.00 if you use a school table. Ten percent of the proceeds are returned to the PTA, which are then used for Franklin School.



- We do ALL the advertising.
- You will price your items and label them with a seller number we provide.
- We handle all money transactions.
- You **must** set up your own table on Thursday, April 24, beginning at 4:00 p.m.
- You **must** take down your own table after sale hours on Saturday, April 26, by 2:00 p.m. or all PROFIT will be donated to the Franklin PTA, and all items will be donated to a local charity.
- We will be your customer service representative to handle all sales.
- You do NOT need to be present during the sale hours; however, we will appreciate any volunteer time you can help out with during set up/sales/take down.

If you would like to help us advertise the rummage sale with a yard sign, please contact Sam Grunow at franklinpta@mpsd.school.

Our next spirit stick sale will be held on Wednesday, April 16, during lunch in the gym, and our monthly PTA meeting is also on Wednesday April 16, at 6:00 p.m. in the library.

NURSING NEWS

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What is Fifth Disease?

Fifth Disease is a common viral infection caused by human parovirus B19 that affects mostly children but can also affect adults.

- Symptoms: "slapped-cheek" rash, low-grade fever, headache, sore throat and joint pain (in adults).
- Treatment: there is no specific treatment as it's a virus and symptoms usually resolve within a few days. Rest and use of over the counter fever-reducing medications if fever is present can help. In some cases, a full body rash and joint pain will appear after the original symptoms have resolved- this rash and joint pain can take up to 3 weeks to resolve.
- Children may attend school with fifth disease as long as there is no fever present.

Summer School 2025

MPSD has lots of fun opportunities planned for students of all ages for this coming summer! Summer school is a great way to keep your child active and in the routine of getting up and heading to school. Registration will be opening soon. Look for more information on the MPSD website > Services > Summer School.

Immunization Requirement Changes

Beginning with the start of the 2024-25 school year, WI DHS made a few changes to the immunization requirements for school-aged students:

- Tdap is now required prior to the start of 7th grade
- MenACWY is now required prior to the start of 7th grade and then again prior to the start of 12th grade

As always, there is a simple waiver available to sign if you are choosing for your child to not receive the required immunizations.

APRIL DATES TO REMEMBER

April	Child Abuse Prevention Month Mathematics and Statistics Awareness Month
April 10	Orchestra large group practice, 7:30 a.m.
April 14	All-city orchestra rehearsal, Lincoln High School, 1:30-2:30 p.m. All-city orchestra concert, Lincoln High School, 6:30 p.m.
April 15	2 nd grade field trip to the public library, 10:00-11:30 a.m.
April 16	Spirit stick sale, gym, during lunch All-city band rehearsal, Lincoln High School, 1:30-2:30 p.m. PTA meeting, 4:00 p.m., library All-city band concert, Lincoln High School Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
April 17	DARE graduation, Washington Middle School, 1:00 p.m.
April 18	NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS OR STAFF
April 20	Easter
April 21-25	Spring Break (NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS OR STAFF)
April 23	PTA Rummage Sale set-up, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
April 24-25	PTA Rummage Sale, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
April 26	PTA Rummage Sale, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
April 29	3 rd grade to CCC to see "Stinky Cheese Man," 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

What's on the Menu?

MPSD Elementary April Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Walking Taco or Blueberry Muffin Goldfish Crackers Yogurt Cup Peas	2 Chicken Nuggets w/ Dinner Roll or Fruit Pizza w/ String Cheese Corn	3 Cheeseburger or Lasagna Roll up w/ Garlic Bread Baked Beans	4 Big Daddy's Cheese Pizza or Hot Dog on a Bun  Carrots
7 Popcorn Chicken w/ Dinner Roll or Meatball Sub w/ Cheese Peas	8 Italian Meat Sauce over Spaghetti or PBJ w/ String Cheese Green Beans	9 Nachos w/ Shredded Cheddar or Chicken & Cheese Flatbread Carrots	10 Pancake Bites w/ Yogurt Cup or Crunchy Fish Sticks Tater Tots	11 Mini Corn Dogs or Grilled Cheese Sandwich w/ Tomato Soup Baked Beans
14 Breaded Chicken Drumstick w/ Dinner Roll or Cheese Pizza Bagels Mashed Potatoes	15 French Toast w/ Sausage Links or Hot Ham & Cheese Carrots	16 Corn Dog on a Stick or Macaroni & Cheese w/ Garlic Breadstick Peas	17 Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks w/ Sauce or Chicken Soft Tacos Corn	18 No School 
21 No School 	22 	23 No School SPRING BREAK	24 No School	25 No School 
28 Cheese Pizza Crunchers w/ Sauce or Chicken Tenders w/ Dinner Roll Carrots	29 Teriyaki Chicken over Rice or Strawberry Parfait Broccoli	30 Nachos w/ Shredded Cheddar or Jr Italian Sub Corn		April Fun Days April 4-Celebrate Carrot Day April 12-Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day April 30-Raisin Day