

# Over the FENCE

## \$59 MILLION BOND PASSES!



*The May 2 bond proposal passed by a margin of more than 23 percentage points. The final vote was 61.7 percent, or 2,249 votes, in favor and 38.3 percent, or 1,394 votes, opposed.*

The bonds will be sold in two series several years apart in order to save interest on the unused portion. The district is preparing to sell the first series, which will be for \$30 million of the approved \$59 million.

District leaders are working to identify the most critical projects and create a timeline for work to begin later this year. Projects include an additional layer of security at all schools and buildings in Fraser Public Schools, update building infrastructure, including roofs and exterior doors; update mechanical and electrical systems; update parking lots and sidewalks; improve site drainage, and replace equipment and buses that have reached the end of their useful life.

A full list of the approved projects can be found on our website, [www.TheFraserDifference.com](http://www.TheFraserDifference.com).

### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Fraser Families,

As we enter June, it is the perfect time to look back at the school year and take note of all that we accomplished.

Throughout May and into June, I had the privilege to attend banquets, award celebrations, and ceremonies in honor of our Class of 2023 graduates. Our 326 seniors took part in the traditional Senior Walk on their last day of school, where they donned their caps and gowns and walked the halls one last time as students. I look forward to shaking their hands on June 10.

We also celebrate the passing of the bond proposal in early May. Thank you to everyone who voted and supported our school district. The projects will be completed over the coming years, and we will be sure to keep everyone informed on their progress. We are grateful to our school community for their continued support. It is our ongoing commitment to doing what is best for our students that makes Fraser such a special place.

This year, we completed the Universal Design for Learning training for all our elementary teachers. We also updated all the furniture in our elementary classrooms to be flexible, functional, and designed for the students. All our elementary classrooms have now been

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## CURRICULUM CORNER

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL  
LEARNING

One of the areas that educators of young children are noticing needs special attending post-pandemic is social emotional learning. Since some of our youngest learners were not exposed to as much interaction with peers and adults during their formative years, many skills that children often learn naturally during playtime, schools are seeing the need to specifically instruct throughout the school day.

In that light, Fraser Public Schools is excited to announce a partnership with Play Works for the upcoming school year. Play Works is a Michigan-based

company that focuses on play-based activities to help students learn skills such as turn-taking, conflict resolution, and leadership. Play Works will be coming to Fraser Public Schools this fall to help our elementary teachers learn methods and strategies to work on these skills throughout the school day, specifically at recess time. The company will provide trainers who will help our teachers and principals examine our recess spaces, materials, and activities to create an environment of structured play that will enable our students to feel included and experience success at recess time.

Additionally, our elementary staff will continue a discussion around the learning opportunities that structured play activities offer for our students. Students who have an outlet throughout the school day and are provided specific times to release energy through play often report that they have an easier time focusing on schoolwork in the classroom. In Fraser, we are excited to continue these discussions with our teachers as well as the Play Works team. If you want more information or have questions about how to support these efforts at home, please contact your building principal.

Mental Health  
AWARENESS  
Week at RMS

*The Richards Middle School and Fraser High School Be Nice groups teamed up for Mental Health Awareness week.*

Former NFL Quarterback and Be Nice Advocate Eric Hipple met with RMS and FHS students at the Fraser Grille to kick off the week in a positive way.

In addition to the lunch, the RMS group sponsored a bake sale to donate to a local mental health charity. Both schools had spirit weeks with days that



promoted strong mental health. Spirit days included a fun theme, a positive challenge for students to complete, and a coping strategy suggestion for students to practice. The RMS students ended the week with a student-driven virtual presentation shared live with the entire building during seminar.

FHS students participated in a car crushing event during lunches to smash the stigma of mental illness. Students wrote messages related to mental health on the cars and watched as they were crushed in the parking lot.

Overall, the week was a success, and we appreciate everyone's efforts to Be Nice.

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
MESSAGE

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updated and transformed to reflect the principles of UDL.

As we transition to summer break, please take this time to relax and recharge. We all need to take a breath and spend time with family and friends.

As we prepare for fall, we know that some families would like to continue to learn virtually.

We will continue to offer a virtual option to our families next year. If you would like to sign up, please visit <https://bit.ly/FraserVirtual2324>.

In closing, I would like to say that it has been another incredible year. I am so proud and thankful to be your Superintendent. Our team continues to lead by example and remains dedicated to putting our students first. I look forward to seeing all of you on August 28!

With Fraser Pride,  
**Dr. Wozniak**

# BEST *of the* BEST



**ISABELLA VIZZINI**

Valedictorian

**Parents:**

Frank and Victoria Vizzini

**College Plans:**

Wayne State University

**Future Field of Study:**

Neuroscience



**FAITH ALOIA**

Co-Salutatorian

**Parents:**

Frank and Sandra Aloia

**College Plans:**

Michigan State University

**Future Field of Study:**

Applied Engineering



**ALISHA GENTZ**

Co-Salutatorian

**Parents:**

William and Carolyn Gentz

**College Plans:**

University of Michigan

**Future Field of Study:**

Biophysics

## 2023 TOP SCHOLARS

**SUMMA CUM LAUDE**

GPA 3.9 or higher

Margo Authier  
Carter Braun  
Mattilyn Bruce  
Morgan Caudill  
Skylar Claeys-Meeks  
Anna Colley  
Ryder Corbett  
Vanessa Ellis  
Taylor Frazier  
Ivy Hammond  
Olivea Henderson  
Katelyn Hewitt  
Megan Hodge  
Akeelah Jones

Kaitlyn Kaufman  
Benjamin Marcus  
Sophie Meyer  
Alexander Moldenhauer  
Francesca Palazzolo  
Brianna Piwko  
Veronica Prekaj  
Jessica Reinhart  
Aidan Schietecatte  
Lily Schuch  
Alexis Serio  
Xavier Sink  
Rebecca St.Onge  
Payton Stemmerich  
Gabriella Tonn  
Payton Waelchli  
Jared Wu

**MAGNA CUM LAUDE**

GPA 3.75-3.89

Madison Abney  
Hailey Aloia  
Ava Crenshaw  
Calvin Custance  
Michael Domenicucci  
Nathan Kisell  
Trinity Kraus  
Maria Kyle  
Jaden Lambert  
Makala Lauinger  
Mikayla Mallory  
Kayla Mathews  
Jordyn McDonald  
Mason McKernan  
Lauren Orsi  
Justin Roose  
Justin Russo  
Amber Serio  
Emily Sosnowski  
Connor Steepe  
Andrew Thomson  
Natalie Watson

**CUM LAUDE**

GPA 3.50-3.74

MD Ali  
Jose Arellano-Cardenas  
Ella Barozzini  
Fjolla Blakaj  
Hailey Burns  
Melanie Chapp  
Megan Chevalier  
Alexis Demeere  
Emily Drost  
Cameron Eichberger  
Lea Finley  
Lily Fulton  
Ryan Goodell  
Dylan Hawkins  
Gabriel Johnson  
Alexander Keuning  
David Klink  
Ayden Lee  
Tori Malkiewicz  
Caroline Martin  
Molly McMillen

Brendan Murray  
Ela Musaid  
Samantha Palimino  
Kaitlyn Paszek  
Nathaniel Pearce  
Christopher Pogletke  
Andrew Portwine  
Juan Rebolledo  
Cody Saglimbene  
Melvina Sandiha  
Aleyna Schroeder  
Kurston Schroeder  
Denim Scott  
Evan Shaver  
Genan Shkoukani  
Megan Smith  
Adam Sukiennik  
Thomas Svoboda  
Angelina Vivano  
George Wahby  
Brooke Wojciechowski  
Noah Woods  
Razan Yared



## Early College of Macomb Graduates

*Congratulations to the 35 members of the Fraser High School Class of 2023 in the Early College of Macomb program.*

The program allows students to begin working on a college degree in 11th grade. Students opt to take a fifth year of high school to finish the three-year program, which is tuition-free for students. The graduates will participate in the FHS commencement with the Class of 2023 but officially earn their diplomas next year once they finish the ECM program.



### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS:

Adriana Beger	Trinity Kraus	Kaitlyn Paszek
Alexis Chrouch	Ariana Lopez	Brianna Piwko
Amir Collier	Tori Malkiewicz	Veronica Prekaj
Vanessa Ellis	Benjamin Marcus	Juan Rebolledo
Ivy Hammond	Nadia Marshall	Allison Ritter
Dylan Hawkins	Caroline Martin	Abigail Rushford
Katelyn Hewitt	Mason McKernan	Lily Schuch
Gabriel Johnson	Molly McMillen	Molly Vander Hagen
Akeelah Jones	Theresa Moronczyk	Jason Weems
Owen Jones	Adrianna Moskos	Jared Wu
Isabella Julian	Brendan Murray	Razan Yared
Nathan Kisell	Makayla Nash	

## SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS 2023

A variety of scholarships are available to graduating Fraser High School students each year. Criteria are based on a variety of factors. Scholarships are presented at the Honors Convocation in May. Congratulations to the following students:

**Allison Guzik  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Trinity Kraus

**Association of Retired  
School Personnel  
(EMARSP)**  
Kurston Schroeder

**Bert & Joan Sampson  
Scholarship**  
Calvin Custance

**Carole Bannister  
Scholarship for  
Performing &  
Creative Arts**  
Natalie Watson

**Clinton Valley Kiwanis**  
Mansi Patel

**Daniel J. Stawinski  
State Farm Agency  
Scholarship**  
Margo Authier

**Dean C. Roualet  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Margo Authier  
Ryder Corbett  
Alexis Demeere  
Katelyn Hewitt  
Makala Lauinger  
Jakob Miller  
Mansi Patel

Aidan Schietecatte  
Rebecca St.Onge  
Payton Stemmerich

**Dr. Jonas E. Salk  
Elementary**  
David Klink  
Gabriella Tonn

**Dwight D. Eisenhower  
Elementary**  
Alexis Chrouch  
Adam Sukiennik

**East Macomb  
Chapter Michigan**  
Ela Musaid

**Fraser Alumni  
25+/Audrey DeFauw  
Memorial**  
Garrett Roels  
Rebecca St.Onge

**Fraser Band  
Booster Club**  
Michael Domenicucci

**Fraser Goodfellows**  
Taylor Frazier  
Payton Stemmerich

**Fraser Lions Club**  
Francesca Palazzolo

**Fraser Youth  
Soccer Award -  
Kenneth Kilgo Memorial**  
Jacob Kelly

**Fred M. Harris  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Calvin Custance  
Alisha Gentz

**Gerald De Bono  
Memorial**  
Francesca Palazzolo  
Adam Sukiennik

**Henry Wong  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Alisha Gentz  
Molly McMillen

**John Hanley  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Marlon Haugabook

**Laura Robinson  
Whiteside Memorial  
Scholarship**  
Michael Domenicucci  
Benjamin Marcus

**Macomb  
All-Academic Team**  
Jessica Reinhart

**Mark Twain Elementary**  
Vanessa Ellis  
Lauren Orsi

**Rachel Kao Scholarship**  
Connor Steepe

**Ralph Waldo Emerson  
Elementary**  
Alexander Keuning  
Kayla Mathews

**Social Studies**  
Olivea Henderson

**Student Council**  
Francesca Palazzolo

**Thomas A. Edison  
Elementary**  
Ryder Corbett  
Michael Domenicucci  
Taylor Frazier  
Megan Hodge

**Walt Disney Elementary**  
Payton Stemmerich



# FHS Students of the Year

Each year the academic departments at Fraser High School select one student to represent them as the Student of the Year.

These 13 students are chosen based on courses completed and dedication. They are recognized at Board of Education meetings throughout the school year.

**Benjamin DeHate,**  
Industrial Technology

**Michael Domenicucci,**  
Instrumental Music

**Vanessa Ellis,**  
English

**Olivea Henderson,**  
Social Studies

**David Klink,** Art

**Jordyn McDonald,**  
Business

**Sara Shelton,** Spanish

**Lanie Shrum,** French

**Adam Sukiennik,**  
Family & Consumer  
Science

**Isabella Vizzini,**  
Science

**Natalie Watson,**  
Vocal Music

**John Willaert,**  
Physical Education

**Jared Wu,**  
Mathematics

## Charlie the Therapy Dog Visits Salk

Salk Elementary was approved to have a therapy dog visit. Charlie, the English Creme Golden Retriever, has been visiting once a week since March. Studies have shown that therapy dogs can increase positive emotions, promote engagement in learning activities and positive attitudes toward learning, reduce negative behaviors, and encourage pro-social behaviors, including acting as a social catalyst to facilitate social interactions with others.

Charlie is a certified therapy dog after completing his training and testing by The Alliance of Therapy Dogs. He has also earned the title of AKC Canine Good Citizen.



Mr. Birkmeier, the building principal, is also a certified therapy dog handler after completing his testing and observations by The Alliance of Therapy Dogs.

Charlie's purpose is to ease students' anxieties and increase positive emotions. He was introduced in a positive manner, and students were instructed on how to interact with him. Charlie enjoys coming to work and is excited to see students. He greets them as they enter the building on days he visits. He also goes into classrooms to reduce stress and keep students excited. Many students have written letters to Charlie, and he enjoys passing out his trading cards to students he visits with. He has been a great addition to Salk Elementary.



## Kindergarten Backward Alphabet



Eisenhower kindergarten students are excited to get closer to the end of the school year by celebrating the alphabet! They decided to put a little twist on the alphabet...they are doing it backward! Students are concentrating on a letter each day until the end of the school year.

This is a creative way for the kindergarten students to have fun and celebrate their hard work for this 2022-23 school year! Their fun began with the letter "Z" as students made portraits of zebras. On "Y" day, they all wore yellow. "X" day had the children x-changing autographs. This fantastic picture shown is our students celebrating "W" day by wearing their western wear. Many more fun days are planned until they reach the letter "A!"

## Science Olympiad WINNERS

### Disney Elementary

Disney took 2nd place overall and received the Rising Star Award!

- **Amazing Arthropods, 7th Place**  
Melanie Ritter and Alivia Bookmiller
- **Charged Up, 1st Place**  
Kyle Gumm and Emileigh Nordstrom
- **Code Warriors, 5th Place**  
Lucas Jacobs and Liliana Woloszyk
- **Crash Car Expert, 4th Place**  
Charles Caldwell and Alex Bariatakis
- **Crime Busters, 2nd Place**  
Charlie Magnotte and Marianna Bariatakis
- **Grasp-a-Graph, 1st Place**  
Charlie Magnotte and Lucas Jacobs
- **Rock Hound, 4th Place**  
Lucas Jacobs and Giuseppe Balsamo
- **Simple Machines, 6th Place**  
Sawyer Sarcona and Giovanni Balsamo
- **Water Rockets, 2nd Place**  
Emileigh Nordstrom, Alivia Bookmiller, Hailey Baxter
- **Weather or Not, 3rd Place**  
Julia Maher and Marianna Bariatakis

- **Wildlife Safari, 2nd Place**  
Charlie Magnotte and Sophia Gee
- **Codebusters, 1st Place**  
Alex Bariatakis and Marianna Bariatakis
- **Code Warriors, 3rd Place**  
Sophia Goguen and Landon Jones
- **Crash Car Expert, 1st Place**  
Malia Mills and Fiona Kimber
- **Crime Busters, 1st Place**  
Danica Kneip and Maya Mills
- **Simple Machines, 2nd Place**  
Danica Kneip and Malia Mills
- **Starry Night, 2nd Place**  
Sunny Verniers and Fiona Kimber
- **Water Rockets, 2nd Place**  
Roman Guglielmetti and Bryce Jones
- **Wildlife Safari, 1st Place**  
Ruby Magnotte and Tianna Ford

### Edison Elementary

- **Crash Car Eggspert, 1st Place**  
Rylee Turri and Layla Johnson
- **Charged Up, 2nd Place**  
Rylee Turri and Layla Johnson

### Emerson Elementary

- **Crash Car Eggspert, 8th Place**  
Michael DeMarco and Noah Holland
- **Mystery Architecture, 3rd Place**  
Taylor Biegas and Mackenzie Bowman

### Eisenhower Elementary

- **Weather or Not, 8th Place**  
Amelia Wdowiak and Owen Harville

### Salk Elementary

Arya Lempinen was chosen to sing our National Anthem at the County Tournament.

- **Code Warriors, 2nd Place**  
Thomas Felcyn and Jase Howe
- **Mystery Archthitecture, 3rd Place**  
Ella Paridee and Angela Hilbert
- **Mystery Architecture, 7th Place**  
Zowie Estimation
- **Ping Pong Propulsion, 2nd Place**  
Christopher Wozniak and Garrett Swanson
- **Reflection Relay, 7th Place**  
Camryn Cole-Salem, Bentley O'Brien, Charlotte Stosik, and Amelia Mimikos
- **Simple Machines, 7th Place**  
Maddon Zonic and Christopher Wozniak
- **Water Bottle Rockets, 7th Place**  
Brett Dave and Oscar Hedge

### Twain Elementary

- **Reflection Relay, 8th Place**  
Giovanni Calleja, Chase Rossi, and Nellie Blehm

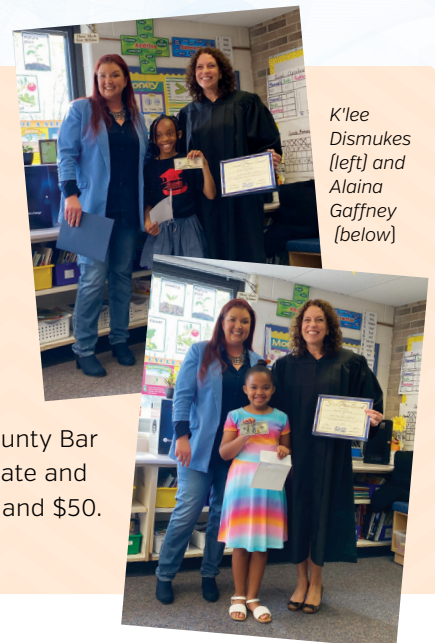
## Salk Students Take Top Honors

*Two Salk Elementary 2nd-grade students won the Macomb County Bar Association's Law Day poster contest.*

Alaina Gaffney and K'lee Dismukes, both in Mrs. Jill Sutter's class, finished first and second, respectively, in the countywide contest that was open to students in grades 1-4.

This year's theme was "Cornerstones of Democracy: Civics, Civility, and Collaboration."

Alaina and K'lee were honored in front of their classmates and families by the Honorable Julie Gattie and representatives from the Macomb County Bar Association. Alaina received a certificate and \$100, and K'lee received a certificate and \$50.



K'lee Dismukes (left) and Alaina Gaffney (below)



## Edison Young Fives and Kindergartners Welcome Baby Chicks

*Mr. Charlie from the Huron-Clinton Metro Parks Outreach Program brought Henny Penny to Edison Elementary to meet the Kindergarten and Young 5 students.*



The students were extremely excited about watching the process of the chicks growing. Within 21 days [about three weeks] they had five chicks peeping around the room and the next day one more arrived.



The students were able to watch them walk around and peep at each other. This was a wonderful opportunity for students to learn about the life cycle, and they get regular updates from their new home with Mrs. Frazier!

## Gallery WALK

Fifth-grade students at Emerson Elementary held a gallery walk to present research projects. Students have been working on these projects for several weeks by collecting research about the producers, consumers, and decomposers that live in an ecosystem of their choice. Students used resources in their library and on Destiny to find interesting facts and wrote essays about their findings. Finally, they used Book Creator to create pages



to put together a trifold poster display. Families were invited to the gallery walk on May 18, where students shared their finished projects with them. Students were proud of their work and had a great time sharing their posters with their families and classmates!



## International Academy of Macomb

Six Fraser students were among the 2023 graduates of the International Academy of Macomb (IAM). The IAM is an International Baccalaureate World School located in Clinton Township. Students from every district in the county are invited to attend the school, which has a commitment to high-quality and challenging international education. Congratulations to:

- **Jack Domenicucci**
- **Tanzila Khanam**
- **Kayla John**
- **Maria Lulgjuraj**
- **Lucas Kernen**
- **Myles Narrazo**

## FHS MACOMB ALL-ACADEMIC STUDENT



Jessica Reinhart was selected as the only Fraser High School student to represent the Macomb All-Academic Team. This is an elite honor reserved

for the most academically gifted seniors in Macomb County. Jessica was one of 105 high school seniors to be honored at the 37th annual Macomb County All-Academic awards banquet. Congratulations, Jessica, on this well-deserved honor.



## ToddleTIME



Everyone wants to talk about “terrible two’s” but no one talks about how amazing it is watching them become a toddler and finally getting to hear them talk, and find out what goes on in their little heads. Learning their favorite color, food, song, etc., is everything. At Dooley Little Learners, we have a class dedicated specifically to celebrating everything about being a toddler.

Our Toddle Time class gives families an opportunity to experience many activities in a classroom setting designed to help build a positive self-image, while aiding your child in developing socially, emotionally, and mentally. While all of that might sound very overwhelming, please note our first goal is for your child to learn that coming to school is fun because we understand the importance of having a child’s first exposure to school be a positive one. We want children to feel comfortable enough to participate as much or as little as they want. You will be amazed at their growth just being in the classroom surrounded by their peers and having the freedom to investigate things at their own pace.

**“Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children, play is serious learning.” – Mr. Rogers**

## FPS Schools Receive Michigan Green Schools Awards

*On April 19, Macomb County held its Green Team Recognition presentation. Richards Middle School, Salk Elementary, and Eisenhower Elementary were all recognized.*

Richards and Eisenhower both were recognized with an Emerald status and Salk received a Green status. To become a Green School, the school needs to document the completion of 10 to 14 environmentally



friendly activities. Michigan Emerald Schools completed 15 to 19 activities.

Both Salk and Eisenhower received the Sustainability Award for being one of four schools who have been participating in the Green Program since it began in 2006. They also received a \$25 gift card to Ray Wiegand’s Nursery.

## Twain Students Visit Michigan Science Center

Mark Twain elementary 4th-grade students experienced hands-on activities during their recent field trip to the Michigan Science Center



in Detroit. Students could touch simulated tornadoes and a replica of our earth in motion.

The 4-D turtle odyssey made students jump in their seats as they watched, heard, saw, and felt the life of a baby sea turtle from birth to adulthood. Caleb Smith liked how the sea turtle returned to where she was born to make a nest and lay her eggs.

Rocco Karas shared, “The living magnet was awesome! It was fun to attract the iron filings to ourselves.”

At the Level Up! Exhibit, students learned through games. The life-sized LEGO, checkers, and chess games were played in teams. Students danced, sang, touched, and manipulated various objects using their senses – they learned with each motion they made. Charlie Jones said she loved the Level Up! interactive floor because it changed depending on her movements.



## Autism Acceptance Week

*Fraser Public Schools celebrated Autism Acceptance Week in April. Schools throughout the district held a spirit week.*

The goal of Autism Acceptance Month is to be more inclusive of the very community it seeks to celebrate. It promotes not just education about the differences of people with autism but understanding and respecting those differences.

The FHS Peer-to-Peer students and many FHS staff wore their autism acceptance shirts proudly to show support, not just for autism spectrum disorder, but for all differently abled people! They sold t-shirts with the money to fund field trips, supplies, celebrations, etc., for the Peer-to-Peer groups around the district.

As a bonus this year, David Klink, brother of Fraser graduate Steven Klink, created a ceiling tile in honor of his brother, who has autism, to be displayed in one of the social work offices. He shared the description below about his inspiration

for the ceiling tile and is seated at the center of the staff photo at left.

"Sesame Street is a fixation my brother Steven has never been able to shake. It is easily his favorite TV show. He has all the merchandise, has watched almost every episode, he even storyboards entire seasons in his spare time just for fun. Sesame Street is a show he and I grew up with and though I am nowhere near as big a fan of it as he is, I have always had a tremendous love for the show. Sesame Street's cozy Manhattan intersection is a world full of colorful characters with a wide range of diverse backgrounds, shapes and sizes, and personalities. They taught me at a very young age the importance of curiosity and appreciation for others. It is a show which celebrates diversity and tolerance for what we do not understand, giving underrepresented groups a friendly, felt face in which a child might see a part of themselves. Autistic voices have a place on Sesame Street like all creatures, great and small. Julia, Gonzo, Elmo, Ernie, and Bert, these are the characters teaching future generations what it means to not just have awareness of each other, but to love and connect with them as well."

## A Writing Community Celebrates!

Eisenhower Elementary 4th-grade students shared the author's chair for a writing celebration of their published informational text writing. This writing is a processed piece that takes place over several weeks. Students conduct exploration of informational text features. They not only learn about the importance of informational text as readers but also as writers as they apply them to their own books.

The students publish their best work about a topic they already know a lot about. Then they share the author's chair, and each student reads a selection of their text to their classmates. Following their share out, the author selects what type of applause they would like. For example, snaps, toes, "round of applause," or a hearty "yee haw." Many students enjoy teaching about how to care for a family pet, teaching about a sport, dance, or craft, or even an animal that they are an expert about. Some other topics this year included "A Kid's Guide to Babe Ruth" and "Types of Instruments." These writings will become a part of the students' 4th-grade writing portfolio.





## Gleaners Mobile Food Pantry Continues

The partnership with Gleaners Mobile Food Pantry will continue into the fall. The drive-thru pantry is open on Thursdays from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. and will be located at Fraser High School in the Klein parking lot near the tennis courts and pool. The pantry is open to everyone in the community and will be available on the following dates:

<b>June 22</b>	<b>July 20</b>	<b>August 17</b>	<b>September 14</b>
<b>July 6</b>	<b>August 3</b>	<b>August 31</b>	<b>September 28</b>

## ABC Countdown to Summer

ABC COUNTDOWN TO SUMMER					
<b>A 5-4</b> A is For Art! Create a beautiful work of art!	<b>B 5-5</b> B is For Bubbles! Blow bubbles at recess!	<b>C 5-8</b> C is For Chalk! Play with chalk at recess!	<b>D 5-9</b> D is For Disney! Wear your Disney t-shirt on gear!	<b>E 5-10</b> E is For Exercise! Wear your exercise clothes.	<b>F 5-11</b> F is For Friends! Let's celebrate our friendship.
<b>G 5-12</b> G is For Games! Bring your favorite game to play during choice time.	<b>H 5-15</b> H is For Hat! Wear your favorite hat!	<b>I 5-16</b> I is For Ice Pops! We will enjoy ice pops at the end of the day!	<b>J 5-17</b> J is For Jumping! For Joy! It's our field trip day!	<b>K 5-18</b> K is For Kites! We will write letters to our special teachers.	<b>L 5-19</b> L is For Laid! Wear your best Hawaiian/Beach Day gear and bring a beach towel!
<b>M 5-22</b> M is For Mismatch! Wear clothes that do not match.	<b>N 5-23</b> N is For Numbers! We will have fun practicing our numbers today.	<b>O 5-24</b> O is For Orange & Outside! Wear something orange. We will play outside!	<b>P 5-25</b> P is For Plans! We will eat our lunch outside (weather permitting).	<b>Q 5-26</b> Q is For Questions! Share a question that you have with the class.	<b>R 5-30</b> R is For Rainbows & Rockstars! Dress like a rockstar or wear your best rainbow colors!
<b>S 5-31</b> S is For Stuffed Animals! Bring in your favorite one to join our class for the day.	<b>T 6-1</b> T is For Toys! Bring in a toy to show the class. Please no electronics.	<b>U 6-2</b> U is For USA! Wear red, white, and blue.	<b>V 6-5</b> V is For Videos! We will watch a short video.	<b>W 6-6</b> W is For Watermelon! We will have watermelon for our snack.	<b>X 6-7</b> X is For eXchanging! We will sign each others' kindergarten memory books.
<b>Y 6-8</b> Y is For Yellow & Year-End! Clean up! Wear yellow and help take care of the classroom.	<b>Z 6-9</b> Z is For Zip and Zoom! We will zip up our backpacks and zoom off to Summer Vacation!	<b>NOTES</b> Please review the calendar and let Miss Svoboda know if you have any questions. Wednesday, May 17th is our Zoo Field Trip.			

Kindergarten students at Disney Elementary have been celebrating the last 26 days leading into summer break – ABC style. Each day, the students get to participate in an activity that corresponds to the “letter of the day” until they review the entire alphabet. Starting on letter Aa for Art and ending with Zz for Zip and Zoom Out, this is the perfect way to end the year on a fun note! This past Friday, students had a Game Day for letter Gg. The students were so excited to bring in their favorite board game or card game to share and play with their friends. The teachers were impressed with the students’ ability to explain the rules of the game, listen to their peers’ instructions, and regulate their emotions during this time. So much great learning can stem from board games!

## HOSA State Competition Results

*Students from Fraser High School and Richards Middle School competed at the Michigan HOSA State Leadership Conference.*

All students who received a gold, silver, or bronze medal have qualified for the International Leadership Conference being held in Dallas in June.

This is the first year for RMS students to compete as an independent chapter. The FHS chapter was recognized for its Be the Match activities. Congratulations to the following students.

### FRASER HIGH SCHOOL HOSA

#### Gold

#### MRC Partnership Team

Piper Morrison, Ashley Sisk, Trinity Kraus, and Paityn Kosorski

#### Silver

**Barbara James Service Award** Paityn Kosorski

#### Bronze

#### Mental Health Promotion Team

Ave Le, Nouri Hollins, Raymond Pavlov, Crystell Denton, and Jeani Lemire



#### Bronze

#### Medical Spelling

Jessica Mina

#### Finalists (Top 8)

#### Biotechnology

Aneko Nichol (7th Place)

#### Creative Problem-Solving Team

Kaleigh Nordstrom, Alex Nichol, and Aubrey Fabirkiewicz (7th Place)

### RICHARDS MIDDLE SCHOOL HOSA

#### Gold

**Life-Threatening Situations** Vera Long

#### Silver

**Life-Threatening Situations** Juliana Johnson

#### Bronze

**Math for Health Professions** Mariam Bebawi

#### Finalists

#### Prepared Speaking

Alex Dubay (8th Place)

**Life-Threatening Situations** Jalaiah Caver (4th Place)

#### Foundations of Nutrition

Gabriella Wooten (6th Place)

#### Foundations of Med Terms

Jordan Lees (4th Place)





# Fraser SHOUT-OUTS

*Fraser Shout-Outs recognize staff members who go above and beyond for their students, colleagues, and the community. As a principal or administrator becomes aware of an extra effort by a staff member, he or she will submit that member for a Fraser Shout-Out.*



**Dayna Taylor**

Ms. Taylor is a tremendous asset to our district. She is a hard worker who is organized, supportive, flexible, and a clear communicator. We

have worked closely recently with our state testing, and she has been invaluable with her knowledge and support. She takes initiative and is a strong leader both in the building and district. She has her hand in various district programs and initiatives such as being the ELL Coordinator, District Testing Coordinator, and lead for our Virtual Academy. She makes all of her hard work look effortless,

and our district is better because of her ability to balance these roles and support students and staff. *Submitted by Huston Julian and Kristi Skladanowski*



**Mary Ellen Wojciechowski**

In her first year at the high school, Mary Ellen has already brought new and exciting opportunities to the students in the

business department such as her new program with Wayne State University and student-designed job fair coming soon. Her efforts are very much appreciated. *Submitted by Kyle Ray*

## 2022-23 RETIREES

Congratulations to the 18 members of our Fraser Family who retired during the 2022-23 school year. Together, these dedicated employees have served the district for more than 450 years!

**Erik Anderson**, Emerson Elementary, 26 Years

**Sherry Asoklis**, Twain Elementary, 32 Years

**Kathleen Clark**, Edison Elementary, 25 Years

**Rene Delkov**, Dooley Center, 26 Years

**Jeanine Diener**, Eisenhower Elementary, 27 Years

**Kimberly Galiotti**, Transportation, 25 Years

**Janet Kijek**, Salk Elementary, 25 Years

**Jodi Lombard**, Twain Elementary, 33 Years

**Dawn McGinnis**, Emerson Elementary, 29 Years

**Erica Metty**, Richards Middle School, 19 Years

**Annette Millington**, Dooley Center, 5 Years

**David Nowinski**, Fraser High School, 31 Years

**Helen O'Connor**, Transportation, 30 Years

**Colleen Raschke**, Food Service, Fraser High School, 28 Years

**Vito Saputo**, Emerson Elementary, 32 Years

**Angela Sciriha**, Richards Middle School, 26 Years

**Lori Wetzel**, Richards Middle School, 15 Years

**Leesa Wright**, Fraser High School, 31 Years

## Athletes of the Year



The Fraser Athletic Department announced the Athletes of the Year. Congratulations to the Class of 2023 Fraser Male and Female Athletes of the Year:

**Skylar Claey-Meeks**, Softball and Basketball

**Max Nielsen**, Swim

Both will continue their athletic careers at college. Skylar will be attending Indiana Tech for softball, and Max will be attending Alma College for swim.

# Sports Wrap-Ups



## Boys Baseball

The 2023 Varsity Baseball Team is currently 9-3 in the MAC Blue Division and 12-6 overall. Led by a deep pitching staff, including seniors Aidan Manzella, Bryson Roberts, and Cooper Koslowski, Fraser has successfully won season series against Port Huron, L'anse Creuse, and Port Huron Northern. Their offense is led by senior Nate Pearce, who is among the team leaders in batting average, OPS (on-base percentage and slugging percentage), RBIs (runs batted in), and runs scored. Key contributions have been made by sophomores Carson Bennie and Camden Townsend, whose defensive contributions and consistent bats have provided stability to the lineup. The Ramblers are currently in the running for a league title.



## Boys Golf

The Boys Varsity Golf Team is off to a promising start to their 2023 season. Thus far, they are 6-0 in MAC Division matches and placed 4th in the Husky Classic Golf Tournament at St. Clair Shores Golf Course on May 12. Ryan

Turner and Trevor Grabowski both finished in the Top 10 Individual Scorers and received medals for their performances in the Husky Tournament. The team is led by senior co-captains Grabowski and Turner, and fellow seniors Lucas Lor, Jacob Kelly, John Willaert, and Tanner Zalewski. Junior Grant Libstaff rounds out the varsity team. The team will wrap up its season playing Warren Cousino and Utica Stevenson. Wins against these teams would clinch back-to-back MAC Gold Division Titles for the Rambler Golf Team.



## Girls Soccer

The season came in waves this year for the Fraser Girls Varsity Soccer Team. Through the successes and difficulties, these girls continued to work hard and never stopped playing for each other. In an extremely competitive MAC White Division, the team was at the top of the table early on, but unfortunately by the midway point there were many injuries to overcome. The team pushed and fought in a tight title race, which multiple teams could have won, but fell just short near the end. Now with a couple games left and a current 8-7-1 record, the team is hoping to finish the league in second place and is getting ready for a run in the State Tournament.

## Girls Tennis

This was Coach Wu's first season with the Lady Ramblers Tennis Team. The team was led by the seniors, and both veteran and new players contributed to its



success. The team participated in several tournaments and league dual matches. They finished in the MAC Blue Division in the middle of the pack and came away with a close win against Avondale.

Special recognition goes to the doubles team, Marissa Gutow and Lauren Sergent, for an undefeated record in league play and for being champions in the MAC Blue tournament.

The team celebrated its 2023 season with many triumphs and is sad to see five of its seniors go. Members look forward to improving in the 2024 season.



## Girls Softball

The Girls Varsity Softball Team is off to a great start. Currently, they are 17-2 overall and 7-1 in MAC Blue (tied for first place). The team has four seniors, Kaycee Stang, Skylar Claeys-Meeks, Caroline Martin, and Angelina Viviano. The district tournament took place June 2 at Fraser High School.

## Track and Field

So far in the 2023 Track and Field campaign, the Ramblers have posted an undefeated men's regular season (5-0) to take home their first MAC White title. The ladies suffered one loss to finish 4-1, their

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first loss since 2019, but still took home a share of the MAC White title as well: their second in as many years and third straight across all divisions.

At the MAC White Championship Meet, hosted at Fraser, the men took home a dramatic victory over rival Utica 135.33 to 134.33. The meet came down to the

last event [4x400 relay] and the team of William Minor, Michael Susan, Justin Roose, and Tyler Donovan took home the win to seal it. Their performance in the 4x400 is also now the County and Regional leading mark for the year. The women snagged third behind several earnest efforts, but none comparing to

the newly selected MAC White MVP, Grace Grupido. Grupido won the 1600 and 800, took second in the 400, and anchored the 4x400 relay to a second place as well.

Both genders are young teams and will remain at the top of the MAC/County for many years. One of the biggest additions was the new hurdle coach, Mike Hatch, who helped to develop eight All-Conference performances in his first year at Fraser. As the team becomes deeper across the board, they are looking to become a force far beyond the local area.

The team has also seen dozens of new All-Time Top 10 marks posted thus far in 2023, but none bigger than the new 1600-meter school record run by Tyler Donovan at the Elaine Leigh High Performance Meet Hosted at Oakland University in late April. Tyler ran 4:20.77 to take down Steve Cullen's 2004 record of 4:20.97 from the State Finals that year.

## ATHLETIC SIGNING



*Congratulations to the following seniors who were recognized for continuing their academic and athletic careers at college:*

**Marcellius Avery** – University of Windsor, Football

**Madelyn Bensen** – Adrian College, Cheer

**Fjolla Blakaj** – Wayne State University, Cheer

**Skylar Claeys-Meeks** – Indiana Tech University, Softball

**Dinell Echols** – Henry Ford Community College, Wrestling

**Marlon Haugabook** – Northwood University, Football

**Mari Jackson** – Northwood University, Soccer

**Aidan Manzella** – Mott Community College, Baseball

**Caroline Martin** – Macomb Community College, Softball

**Max Nielsen** – Alma College, Swim

**Zachary Rhodenizer** – Southern Virginia University, Swim

**Bryson Roberts** – Macomb Community College, Baseball

**Justin Roose** – Saginaw Valley State University, Track/Cross Country

**Paige Slone** – Madonna University, Volleyball

**Kaycee Stang** – Macomb Community College, Softball

**Connor Steepe** – Macomb Community College, Cross Country

**Michael Susan** – Oral Roberts University, Soccer

**Andrew Thomson** – Ohio Northern University, Track/Cross Country

**Not Pictured:**

**Fjolla Blakaj** – Wayne State University, Cheer

**Michael Susan** – Oral Roberts University, Soccer

Congratulations, Ramblers! We are so proud of you and what you have accomplished! Best of luck to all of you!



# 2023-24 District Calendar

## AUGUST

23	Welcome Back Breakfast – Staff Only
24	District-Provided Professional Development
28	First Day of School for Students FHS & RMS Full Day Elementary Half Day [8:35 a.m. start time]

## SEPTEMBER

<b>1-4</b>	<b>Labor Day Recess</b>
5	School Resumes
7	FHS Meet the Teacher
13	All Levels Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development
14	RMS Meet the Teacher
29	FHS & RMS Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development Homecoming

## OCTOBER

4	Count Day
12	RMS Half Day – Afternoon [1:00-4:00 p.m.] and Evening [5:00-8:00 p.m.] Conferences
19	FHS Half Day – Afternoon [1:00-4:00 p.m.] and Evening [5:00-8:00 p.m.] Conferences
25	Elementary Full Day – Evening [4:30 – 7:30 p.m.] Conferences
26	Elementary Half Day – Afternoon [1:00-3:30 p.m.] and Evening [4:30-7:30 p.m.] Conferences
27	RMS End of First Card Marking
31	All Levels Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development RMS First Day of Second Card Marking

## NOVEMBER

7	No School All Levels – Election Day – District-Provided Professional Development
21	Elementary End of First Trimester

## 22-24

## Thanksgiving Break

27	School Resumes – Elementary First Day of Second Trimester
30	Elementary Half Day – Records

## DECEMBER

1	Elementary Half Day – Records
6	Elementary Report Cards Distributed
14	All Levels Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development
20	FHS Half Day – Records
21	FHS Half Day – Records RMS Half Day – Records
22	FHS Half Day – Records – End of First Semester RMS Half Day – Records – End of Second Card Marking

## 25-JAN 5 Winter Break

## JANUARY

8	School Resumes – FHS First Day of Second Semester/RMS First Day of Third Card Marking
<b>15</b>	<b>No School All Levels – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</b>
31	All Levels Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development 8th Grade Family Night at FHS

## FEBRUARY

7	Elementary Open House
14	Count Day
<b>19-20</b>	<b>Mid-Winter Break</b>
21	School Resumes
22	6th Grade Family Night at RMS
27	All Levels Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development
29	Elementary Half Day – Records

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## MARCH

- 1 Elementary Half Day – Records – End of Second Trimester
- 4 Elementary First Day of Third Trimester
- 6 Elementary Report Cards Distributed
- 7 Elementary Half Day – Afternoon [1:00-3:30 p.m.] & Evening [4:30-7:30 p.m.] Conferences
- 14 RMS Half Day – Afternoon [1:00-4:00 p.m.] and Evening [5:00-8:00 p.m.] Conferences
- 15 RMS Early Release – Two Hours of Records Time – End of Third Card Marking
- 18 RMS First Day of Fourth Card Marking
- 21 FHS Half Day – Afternoon [1:00-4:00 p.m.] and Evening [5:00-8:00 p.m.] Conferences

**25 – APR 1 Spring Break**

## APRIL

- 2 School Resumes
- 10 FHS – SAT Testing – 10th & 11th Grades Only – Students Dismissed at 12:30 p.m.
- 11 FHS – SAT Testing – 9th & 11th Grades Only – Students Dismissed at 11:00 a.m.
- 16 All Levels Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development

## MAY

- 3 FHS Early Release – Prom – District-Provided Professional Development
- 9 RMS & Elementary Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development
- 16 All Levels Early Release – District-Provided Professional Development
- 24 Seniors' Last Day
- 27-28 No School All Levels – Memorial Day**
- 29 School Resumes

## JUNE

- 6 FHS Half Day – Records Elementary Half Day – Records
- 7 FHS Half Day – Students Dismissed at 10:36 a.m. – Records  
RMS Half Day – Students Dismissed at 11:30 a.m. – Records  
Elementary Half Day – Students Dismissed at 12:15 p.m. – Records

Time Key for All Levels	Elementary	Richards Middle School	Fraser High School
<b>Regular Hours</b>	8:35 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	8:05 a.m. – 2:50 p.m.	7:30 a.m. – 2:18 p.m.
<b>Early Release</b>	8:35 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	8:05 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m. – 11:44 a.m.
<b>Half Day</b>	8:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	8:05 a.m. – 11:35 a.m.	7:30 a.m. – 10:46 a.m.



## PLANNING AHEAD

**JUNE 9**  
**Elementary Half Day**  
Students Dismissed at 12:15 p.m.

**JUNE 9**  
**FHS Half Day – Exams**  
Students Dismissed at 10:36 a.m.

**JUNE 9**  
**RMS Half Day**  
Students Dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

**JUNE 10**  
**FHS Commencement**  
Bethesda Church, 14000 Metro Parkway, Sterling Heights, 10:00 a.m.

**JUNE 12**  
**School Board Meeting**  
RMS Media Center, 7:00 p.m.

**JUNE 22**  
**Gleaners Mobile Food Pantry**  
FHS [Klein Side], 9:00 a.m.

**JUNE 26**  
**School Board Meeting**  
Idea Lab, 7:00 p.m.

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 OFFICE OF HEALTH AND NUTRITION SERVICES  
 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

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## SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT



### Fraser Public Schools announces sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program for children.

Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under or persons up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a state or local public educational agency. The meals will be provided without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the site(s) listed below:

#### FRASER HIGH SCHOOL

**June 19, 2023 thru August 3, 2023**

[Monday – Thursday]

- ▶ Breakfast served from 8:15 – 9:15 a.m.
- ▶ Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- ▶ No Meal Service on July 3, 2023 – July 7, 2023

#### McKINLEY PARK

**June 19, 2023 thru August 3, 2023**

[Monday – Thursday]

- ▶ No Breakfast Service
- ▶ Lunch served from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- ▶ No Meal Service on July 3, 2023 – July 7, 2023

#### DOOLEY EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

**June 19, 2023 thru August 17, 2023**

[Monday – Friday]

- ▶ Breakfast served from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.
- ▶ Lunch served from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- ▶ No Meal Service on July 3, 2023 – July 5, 2023

#### EDISON ELEMENTARY

**June 19, 2023 thru August 3, 2023**

[Monday – Thursday]

- ▶ Breakfast served from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.
- ▶ Lunch served from 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
- ▶ No Meal Service on July 3, 2023 – July 7, 2023

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**MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023**  
**SHOTGUN START AT 9 A.M.**

**GOWANIE GOLF CLUB**  
MT. CLEMENS, MI

Proceeds will benefit the Fraser Public  
Schools Athletic Scholarship Program



**T**he golf format will be a four-person scramble. Please feel free to create your own team, and, if possible, send one registration form with complete payment, or **click here** to register online. The outing will take place at Gowanie Golf Club, a private course in Mt. Clemens. For more information, please call or email Kristin Sommer at **586.439.7007** or **Kristin.Sommer@fraserk12.org**.

### ENTRY FEES

**\$125** – Includes golf, cart, souvenir, lunch at the turn, beverage ticket on the course, and a dinner banquet after golfing.

**\$30** – Dinner banquet only.

*\* Space is limited to 144 golfers.  
Please register early.*

### SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

For more information, please contact Kristin Sommer at **Kristin.Sommer@fraserk12.org**.

## ENTRY FORM

*If paying by check (payable to Fraser Educational Foundation), complete form and mail to the address below. Or, **click here** to register and pay online.*

Captain	Address	Phone	Alumnus (Year)/Staff/Parent
Player 2	Address	Phone	Alumnus (Year)/Staff/Parent
Player 3	Address	Phone	Alumnus (Year)/Staff/Parent
Player 4	Address	Phone	Alumnus (Year)/Staff/Parent

Mail form and entry fee to: Fraser Educational Foundation, Attn: Kristin Sommer, 33466 Garfield Rd., Fraser, MI 48026