



Fort Zumwalt
School District
Mike Clemens Center
910 Homefield Blvd.
O'Fallon, MO 63366

January 2018

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

We are excited to begin second semester! As we return from winter break, our hope is that our families have enjoyed some time together and our students are ready for new challenges.

Our students have been working hard on their music skills and we are proud to announce special recognition.

The following have earned "Black Belts in Recorders":

Landen R., Caleb H. & Kyle

The following have earned "Black Belts in Ukuleles":

Camy, Paige, Kyle, Caleb H. & Mitch

Our team is looking at options for dates this spring to hold our 2nd annual Fine Arts Celebration. We will keep you updated once a date and time has been selected.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions, concerns, or information to share. Here's to a wonderful 2018!

Dr. Deanne McCullough, Exec. Director

Mr. Mike Kelly, Admin. Intern



Our students in grades K-6 have the opportunity to participate in the Six Flags Reading Program. Copies of the documentation forms and the letter to parents were sent home with these students, along with them being emailed as an attachment to a previous newsletter. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this program. The due date for returning the forms is February 16, 2018. No late forms can be accepted, so please mark this date on your calendars!

IMPORTANT DATES

January

1/4 – Classes Resume

1/5 – Report Cards Sent Home

1/11 – Early Release @ 1:15

1/15 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday –

No School



Dear Parents

The Fort Zumwalt App is free for iPhone and Android. With your help, we can fine-tune our app. Please tell us what you think, either through our survey (<http://go.fzsd.us/appsurvey>) or by e-mailing media@fz.k12.mo.us. Thanks for helping us strengthen the connection between home and school.

Sincerely,
Fort Zumwalt School District

Dear Parents,

Fort Zumwalt School District knows strong connections between home and school strengthen learning. That's why we strive to keep families informed of the many components of their children's lives at school. We use electronic flyers, newsletters, websites, our app and Twitter to help you stay current on events and opportunities for your children.

There also are times when we use email and phone calls. An email from us might be an update from your child's teacher. It could be a note on a planned event, such as a drill. It could also be a note on something unexpected, which requires immediate notification. Similarly, but less frequently, parents will receive a phone call such as an update on a bus delay or notice of a school closure. We use our automated phone system when we need to reach you immediately, so two things are critical:

1. List the number you want called first as your Home Telephone in our student database, even if it is a cell number.
2. Check your voicemail if you miss a call from FZSD. This will save you time and frustration as so many parents immediately call back about the missed call that our lines become very busy.

To improve communication with all parents, we are updating our capabilities for those listed in the "Non-resident parent" fields of our student database. In the past, these parents might have been able to receive select communications, such as report cards only. Now these parents who have requested communications will receive all communications. This will include electronic flyers, emails, phone calls and progress reports/report cards. This change in our system will ensure that all parents receive all of the information related to their student in the timeliest fashion we can provide. Additional notes for parents:

1. In your email program, be sure to adjust settings so e-mails from @fz.k12.mo.us don't go to "spam" or "junk." Similarly, add school@peachjar.com to your contacts so you receive flyers.
2. If you would like to receive text messages, simply text any one of the following words to the number 68453: subscribe, optin, yes. You'll know you were successful if you receive the following reply message: You are registered to receive aprox 3 msg/s/mo. Txt stop to quit, help for help

Thank you for your help in strengthening our connections between home and school. Together we build strong learners, strong schools and strong communities.

Sincerely,
Fort Zumwalt School District

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Community Awareness: Cyber Safety Summit
JAN. 20, 2018
9 am - 1:30 pm, North High



Presented in partnership with the St. Charles County Police Department, this summit will feature break-out discussions with: Missouri Internet Crimes Against Children (MoICAC) Task Force, St. Charles County Police Department, Prosecuting Attorney, Crider and FZSD psychologist Dr. Jerry Cox. Parents, patrons and students ages 12 and up are invited to participate in a discussion on the role of the internet in our daily lives. Watch Peachjar for your interactive flyer. [CLICK HERE](#) to reserve your free seats now.