

# Welcome Parents of Franklin Central High School Class of 2022!



# FCHS

Our vision is to have most sought after graduates by colleges, universities, and the world of work.

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- America's Most Challenging High Schools from the Washington Post
- Best High Schools: Silver Medal from the U.S. News & World Report
- America's Best High Schools from Newsweek Magazine
- Rated an A school
- AP Honor Roll

# The Franklin Central Way

## Respect

Show Pride in Our  
School Culture and  
Community

- Be Polite/Courteous with Others
- Use Good Judgement
- Treat Others as You Would like to be Treated
- Dress Appropriately for School

## Accountability

Do the Right Thing

- Be Honest
- Be on Time
- Be Prepared to Learn in Class
- Accept the Consequences of Your Actions

## Safety

Make Choices Which  
Prevent Others from  
Being Harmed

- Be Aware of People and Space Around You
- Speak Up When You See Something That Isn't Right
- Keep Hands to Yourself

# Tonight's Agenda

- Information about Franklin Central High School
- Intro to the Freshman Academy
- Choosing Courses for Freshman Year
- Selecting a Diploma Type
- How Students Can Get Involved in Sports, Clubs, and Organizations
- Academic Supports for Students
- How Parents Can Help their Students Succeed!
- Questions

# FCHS Administrators

*Principal:* Mr. Chase Huotari

■ *Freshman Academy Asst. Principal:* Mr. Jon Eckerle

■ *Assistant Principals:*

- Mrs. Kami Phelps
- Mr. Eric Kellison
- Mrs. Amy McCabe

# FCHS Counselors

- *Freshman Counselor:* Ms. Ellen Simpson
- *10th-12th Grade Counselors:*
  - Mr. Tim Siegert: Counselor, Last Names A-Br, Director of Counseling
  - Mrs. Tami Jacobs: Counselor, Last Names Bu-G
  - Mrs. Rebecca Fledderman: Counselor, Last Names H-Ma
  - Mrs. Christy Addison: Counselor, Last Names Mc-Sc
  - Mrs. Wendy Ternieden: Counselor, Last Name Se-Z

# FCHS School Day

- 7:55am – 3pm
- PLC days: 7:55-2:25pm
- Seven classes, 50 minutes each
- Six minute passing periods





**The First Day**

# The First Day

- Students only need paper and a pen or pencil. Each teacher will hand out a school supply list on the first day.
- Brief orientation in each FA class.

# Freshman Academy

- Four “teams” or “academies” of teachers; Samurai, Eagles, Rockets, or Titans team.
- 4 core subjects: English, History, Biology, and Math.

# FCHS Diplomas

## FC Honors Diploma

Academic Honors Diploma plus  
12 Pre-AP or AP courses



## Academic Honors Diploma

Prepares students for four-year colleges and  
allows students to take college-level courses.

## Technical Honors Diploma

Rigorous courses and the opportunity to  
specialize in business or technical courses.



## Core 40

Prepares students for two-year and some  
four-year post-secondary options

# Credits: 11-22-33

- Students earn one credit each semester for every class they pass.
- Minimum credits needed:
  - Freshman year = 11 credits
  - Sophomore year = 22 credits
  - Junior year = 33 credits
  - Senior year = 43 credits

# Freshman Classes

1. English 9 or English 9 Pre-AP
2. Biology or Biology Pre-AP
3. Geography & History of the World or Geography & History of the World Pre-AP
4. Math Course (based on 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Class)
5. Recommended: Physical Education and/or Preparing for College and Careers

# College-Bound vs. Pre-AP Courses

- Pre-AP courses are more rigorous and prepare students to take college-level courses while at FCHS.
- Pre-AP courses may have summer assignments.

# AP - The Basics

- **Advanced Placement Program<sup>®</sup> (AP<sup>®</sup>)** **courses** are college-level courses offered in high school. AP courses reflect what is taught in top introductory college courses
- At the end of course, students take **AP Exams**—standardized exams that measure how well students have mastered college-level course work.
- Students who do well on AP Exams can earn credit and/or placement into advanced courses in college.



# Electives

- Elective courses are available in the following departments:
  - Business
  - Family and Consumer Science
  - Speech, Mass Media and Journalism
  - Performing and Visual Arts
  - Technology Education
  - Project Lead the Way
  - World Languages

# Foreign Language

- Three years of one foreign language or two years of one language and two of another are required for the Academic Honors Diploma.
- No foreign language is required for the Core 40 Diploma, but most four year colleges want students to take at least two years.
- Rigorous courses!

# Activities and Academic Supports

- A list of clubs and athletics can be found on the pink handout and the FC website. Students should watch FCTV for call-out meetings.
- Academic supports include:
  - Teacher Tutoring Before and After School
  - Peer Tutoring
  - Learning Center
  - PLC
  - Academy Meetings

# How You Can Help Your Student

- Monitor your student's grades on Infinite Campus, our online grade book. Don't have a log-in or password? Check our website for more information.  
<https://ic.ftcsc.k12.in.us/campus/portal/franklin.jsp>
- Check your student's planner and homework for completion. Help them organize their homework and notes in folders and notebooks for each subject.
- Review your child's course selection sheet with them to make sure they have chosen appropriate courses.
- Attend Back-to-School Night and Parent-Teacher conferences. Contact information for teachers can be found on the FCHS website.
- Start talking about college now!

# For more information:

- Franklin Central High School Web Page:  
<http://www.ftcsc.k12.in.us/fchs/>
- Course Catalog and Information on AP & Pre-AP:  
<http://www.ftcsc.k12.in.us/fchs/Guidance/26>
- If you have questions please feel free to contact:
  - Jon Eckerle, FA Asst. Principal
    - [Jon.eckerlei@ftcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:Jon.eckerlei@ftcsc.k12.in.us) or 803-8300
  - Ellen Simpson, Freshman Counselor
    - [Ellen.simpson@ftcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:Ellen.simpson@ftcsc.k12.in.us) or 803-8302
  - Tim Siegert, Guidance Director
    - [Tim.siegert@ftcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:Tim.siegert@ftcsc.k12.in.us) or 803-5660

# Frequently Asked Questions

- Summer School

Currently at FCHS Summer School is used for Credit Recovery

- Physical Education

Students may currently take one semester of PE and Health on-line

# Thanks for Coming!

- Once you receive your child's schedule in the mail, feel free to stop by over the summer during school hours to find your student's locker and classes.
- First day of school: August 1<sup>st</sup>!