**THINGS HAPPENING:**

9/12 - School Closed; Professional Development Day
9/13 - Athletic Booster Meeting; Library 7pm
10/1 - SAT Testing at FHS
10/3 - School Closed; Rosh Hashanah
10/3 – 10/7 Spirit Week
10/7 - Homecoming Game
10/8 Homecoming Dance
10/10 - PTSA Board Meeting; Library 7pm
10/11 - Athletic Booster Meeting; Library 7pm
10/12 - School Closed; Yom Kippur
10/15 - Athletic Booster Bull Roast

**RESOURCES:**
Parents and Guardians,
Please take a look at the following links regarding parent engagement and information regarding Baltimore County educational resources for both parents and students.

http://www.bcps.org/offices/FamilyCommunityEngagement.htm
http://www.bcps.org/parentu/

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**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

Hi Franklin High School families,

Welcome back to the 2016-1017 school year. I am Sharon Selko, your PTSA president. My children are in 12th and 9th grades, here at FHS, so I have been around the school for a while.

I am excited to work with everyone to make this a successful school year. FHS is amazing. I feel that with parental/family involvement we can only contribute to our children's success.

When people ask me "why do you volunteer at school and why don't you just say no?" My answer with is – I want my children to have a successful school; and I want our teachers and administrators to feel supported. My volunteering allows me to contribute my knowledge and time to ensuring this happens.

Thanks for working with me to make this happen. I look forward to working with everyone and encourage you to participate in all year full of great activities.

Sharon Selko

**PTSA COMMITTEE OPEN POSITIONS**

There are quite a few committee positions that will be available for the 2016-2017 school year. They include membership, reflections, scholarship, sunshine, and fundraising.

It is not too early to think about next year’s open executive board member positions as well. If you are interested in serving please contact the PTSA at

fhsptsa21136@gmail.com
Hospitality Committee:

A big Thank You to all the parents who helped make the annual back to school teacher breakfast a success. The PTSA gave 15 welcome baskets to the new teachers and served a delicious breakfast of muffins, coffee cakes, casseroles and fruit to all the teachers and staff on their first day back to school. The hospitality committee is so thankful to have the support from the many volunteers who supplied the breakfast and spent time serving.

Thank You!

Athletic Boosters:

Come and support our student athletes. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday September 13th, 7pm in the library.

Tickets for the Bull and Oyster Roast are available, cost is $45. This year, the event will take place at Tom Reynold's Farm, 427 Cockeys Mill Rd. on October 15th, 7pm-11pm. Events include, bonfire, cake walk, games and much more. Please call Joanna Clements 410-833-0752 or Heidi Jones 410-218-6383 with questions.

Applications now being accepted for the 2017 China Cultural Exchange Program

What: Applications are now being accepted for the 2017 China Cultural Exchange Program. Applications and more information can be found at http://www.bcps.org/OFFICES/world_languages/misc/culturalExchangePrograms.html. All BCPS students in Grades 9 – 12 during the 2016 – 2017 school year can apply to participate. Through the program, students spend six weeks in China (typically from mid-May through early July) attending special classes and visiting historic and cultural sites. Students and their families will also have the chance to host a Chinese student in February and March. For additional information, students and parents are invited to attend upcoming information nights, described in the upcoming events section of this release.

When: Applications are available now. Application deadline: Oct. 7

Contact: The Office of World Languages, 443-809-6756 or dwilsonmatusky@bcps.org
Franklin High School PTSA
Buy-A-Brick Program

The Buy-A-Brick Program is a great way to honor someone special at Franklin High School:

- Recognize a student graduating this year as part of the Class of 2016 – they did it!
- Show your pride as a FHS alumnus
- Honor a former student or special group -- “In Honor of” or “In Memory of”
- Thank a teacher, employee or volunteer for their hard work and commitment

The honoree’s name and information will be engraved on a special blue plaque. Each plaque costs $25.00 and will be permanently affixed to a brick located on the wall in the Auditorium lobby. It is a terrific way to leave a legacy for someone special.

**Please print legibly**

**Please use the back of the form if more space is needed for additional bricks**

Recognize a current student or alumnus:

1) Name: ____________________________
   Year of Graduation: _________________________
   John Doe
   2016

2) Name: ____________________________
   Year of Graduation: _________________________

Honor/Memorialize an Individual or Group:

_________________________________________________________________________
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(No more than 4 lines – print gets smaller with each additional line)

Total Amount Enclosed: $ _________ ($25.00 per plaque)

**Please make check payable to Franklin High School PTSA**

Your Name: ____________________________
Phone Number: ____________________________
Email Address: ____________________________

Please mail your order form & payment to:

Franklin High School PTSA
Attn: Buy-A-Brick
12000 Reisterstown Road
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