

FRMA families,

Please be aware of these important announcements this week:

### **Calendar Updates**

- May 15 - Half Day for Students
- May 22 - Fred Rodgers Magnet Academy's Coffee with the Principal from 10:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M
- May 26 - No School, Memorial Day
- May 27 - 8th Grade Dance from 2:30 P.M.- 4:30 P.M.
- May 29 - 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony at 11:30 A.M.
- May 30 - Last Day of School for Pre-School

### **Teacher Appreciation-Parent Sign up Form**

Teacher Appreciation Week is being celebrated next week. Thank you to the parents that have already signed up for bringing something for teachers and staff on Friday, May 9th. If you would like to show your appreciation to our teachers and staff by bringing a snack for lunch to share on that day, please [click here](#). The form has a section at the bottom where it shows what parents have already signed up for.

If you have any questions, please contact our Parent Liaison, Leslie Hernandez at: (630) 299-7177 o [lhernandez@d131.org](mailto:lhernandez@d131.org) Thank you for considering recognizing our dedicated staff.

### **STEM Ignition D131 Community Day**

All D131 students, families and friends are welcome to attend STEM Ignition's Community Day to see the projects that elementary and middle school students have enjoyed working on this school year. This event will be hosted at East Aurora High School in the Field House, 500 Tomcat Lane, Aurora, IL. 60505 on Friday, May 9th from 5:30 P.M-7:30 P.M. Come explore the World of STEM Ignition! See flyer [here](#).

### **School Spirit Wear Store**

Just a reminder if you are interested in purchasing Fred Rodgers Magnet Academy spirit wear, you can click on the following link to take a look [here](#).

### **8th Grade Dance & Promotion Ceremony**

The 8th grade dance will be on Tuesday, May 27 from 2:30-4:30 P.M. at our school's gymnasium. Our 8th grade promotion ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 29 at our school gym at 11:30 A.M.

There is an online sign up if you would like to donate desserts, table decorations, or your time to help with the 8th grade dance or promotion ceremony.

See Donations link [here](#).

**African American Parent Association (AAPA)**

There will be an AAPA meeting on Thursday, May 22, 2025 at the Resilience Education Center, 417 Fifth Street, Aurora, IL 60505 from 6:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

**Bilingual Parent Advisory Council (BPAC)**

There will be a BPAC meeting on Thursday, May 22, 2025 at the Administrative Center, 310 Seminary Ave, Aurora, IL, 60505 from 6:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

**Food Pantries**

If you need help with groceries, the Resurrection Church on 4054 Fox Valley Center Drive, Aurora, IL, 60504 located next to the former Toys “R” Us (now Ollie’s Bargain Outlet) will open once again on Sunday, May 4, 2025 from 1:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M.

You can also stop by East Aurora High School, door #33 on Smith to Ziegler Ave. (next to Aurora National Guard Recruiter) on Saturdays and you can bring your own bags and/or boxes to receive food assistance from the Marie Wilkinson Food Pantry from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

**Panel Discussion & Resource Fair on Access to Disability Services for the Spanish Speaking Community**

There will be an informative event in Spanish to support Spanish speaking families with loved ones who have intellectual and developmental disabilities at the Prisco Community Center, 150W. Illinois Ave, Aurora IL, 60506 on Saturday, May 17 from 10:00 A.M.- 1:00 P.M. RSVP’s are not required but encouraged! There will be an expert panel who will dive into critical topics, including local services available in Kane County, understanding special education legal rights, and empowering Know Your Rights information. **The panel discussion will start at 10:15 A.M.-11:15 A.M.**

After the panel, connect one-on-one with local service providers, get your questions answered, and discover valuable resources that can help you and your family’s needs. **Childcare available!** See flyer [here](#).

Have a great week,

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