

FRANKLIN TOWNE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL
A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

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Good morning FTCHS families,

Franklin Towne Charter HS has many upcoming events and important dates that we wish to share with the Franklin Towne community.

Ugly Sweater Dress Down

Friday, December 14th will be a Towne or ugly sweater dress down day for \$1. All dress down day rules apply.

School Store Holiday Hours

Need some last minute gifts? Join us from 5pm-8pm on Tuesday, December 18th at the school store to buy FTCHS gear. This year shoppers will be entering through the Tower 1 entrance, NOT the main entrance. Students will be on hand to help guide our shoppers.

Winter Wishes Assembly

On Friday, December 21st FTCHS will be holding its Winter Wishes assembly. Students may dress down in Towne or holiday attire for \$1. All dress down day rules apply. Students are to report to school at regular time and will attend first block and advisory. Students will then be escorted to Building 215 and will be dismissed upon conclusion of the assembly. Lunches will not be served due to the early dismissal.

Keystone Testing Schedule

The first round of Keystone testing will take place in January 2019. Proficiency on Keystone exams is a Franklin Towne graduation requirement and as such teachers and students alike have been working extremely hard to prepare for these exams. In order to offer our students the opportunity to take as much time as necessary to work on the exams, FTCHS will be operating on a two-hour delay on Keystone exam days. Information about the schedule can be found below and upon return from winter break students will be getting more information about their specific testing locations.

Monday, January 7th – Keystone Biology Module 1

- Testers:
 - All 11th grade students
- 2-hour delay for non-testing students
 - Students with a first block must report by 9:45am
 - Students without a first block must report by 10:45am
 - Seniors with Dual Enrollment must report by 7:45am
- Students will attend all classes after testing and will dismiss at 3:00pm

Tuesday, January 8th – Keystone Biology Module 2

- Testers:
 - All 11th grade students
- 2-hour delay for non-testing students
 - Students with a first block must report by 9:45am
 - Students without a first block must report by 10:45am
 - Seniors with Dual Enrollment must report by 7:45am
- Students will attend all classes after testing and will dismiss at 3:00pm

Wednesday, January 9th – Regular Wednesday schedule

Thursday, January 10th – Keystone Literature Module 1

- Testers:
 - All 10th grade students
 - Non-proficient 11th grade students
- 2-hour delay for non-testing students
 - Students with a first block must report by 9:45am
 - Students without a first block must report by 10:45am
 - Seniors with Dual Enrollment must report by 7:45am
- Students will attend all classes after testing and will dismiss at 3:00pm

Friday, January 11th – Keystone Literature Module 2

- Testers:
 - All 10th grade students
 - Non-proficient 11th grade students
- 2-hour delay for non-testing students
 - Students with a first block must report by 9:45am
 - Students without a first block must report by 10:45am
- Students will attend all classes after testing and will dismiss at 3:00pm

Monday, January 14th – Keystone Algebra Module 1

- Testers:
 - 9th grade Track 1 Algebra students
 - Non-proficient 10th and 11th grade students
- 2-hour delay for non-testing students
 - Students with a first block must report by 9:45am
 - Students without a first block must report by 10:45am
 - Seniors with Dual Enrollment must report by 7:45am
- Students will attend all classes after testing and will dismiss at 3:00pm

Tuesday, January 15th – Keystone Algebra Module 2

- Testers:
 - 9th grade Track 1 Algebra students
 - Non-proficient 10th and 11th grade students
- 2-hour delay for non-testing students
 - Students with a first block must report by 9:45am
 - Students without a first block must report by 10:45am
 - Seniors with Dual Enrollment must report by 7:45am
- Students will attend all classes after testing and will dismiss at 3:00pm

Students absent on a day of a Keystone exam will be required to make the exam up either on a different 2-hour delay day or afterschool January 16th and/or 18th.

Semester 1 Drama Play

Come and see the Semester 1 drama class perform “King Arthur and His Long, Thin Table” for their final exam on Thursday, January 17th at 7pm in the auditorium. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door.

Quarterly Exams and Start of 2nd Semester

Wednesday, January 23rd – Blocks 1 & 2 Quarterly Exams

- Students will be dismissed from school upon the conclusion of the 2nd block exam (approximately 12:30pm)

Thursday, January 24th – Blocks 3 & 4 Quarterly Exams

- Students will be dismissed from school upon the conclusion of the 4th block exam (approximately 12:30pm)

Friday, January 25th – Quarterly Exam Make-Ups

- Students are excused from school if they have taken all exams on the 23rd and 24th

Monday, January 28th – Start of 2nd Semester Classes

Towne Thon

Towne Thon will be taking place March 29th-30th and will be benefiting the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Registration and fundraising for CHOP has already begun and FTCHS is offering the following incentives:

- Registration Incentives:
 - Students who sign up for Towne Thon before Monday, January 28th will receive a Towne Thon t-shirt and will earn entries for a raffle to win one of the following:
 - A laptop
 - Free ticket to your senior prom
 - Principal for the day
 - Students who register in December will earn two raffle entries while students who register in January will earn one raffle entry.
 - Already registered? Students who registered in October earned four entries and students who registered in November earned three entries.
- Fundraising Incentives:
 - \$250 and up – Towne hoodie
 - \$500 and up – Towne hoodie, free food and drink vouchers for Towne Thon
 - \$750 and up – Towne hoodie, free food and drink vouchers for Towne Thon, access to the stage during the blackout hour, access to the VIP section for you and 2 friends.
 - Top fundraisers – Tour of CHOP and access to Hoot-a-Thon