

## High School Announcements - Week of December 9, 2024

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### Upcoming Dates

- ❖ Wednesday, December 11                      Delayed Start
  - ❖ Wednesday, December 18                     Delayed Start
  - ❖ Monday, December 23                         No School - Winter Break Holiday Begins
  - ❖ Monday, January 6, 2025                      School Resumes
  - ❖ Wednesday, January 8                         Delayed Start
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### General Announcements

- ❖ We are noticing a growing number of lockers being left open/items left on top. Students are reminded that all lockers are to be kept closed securely throughout the day with personal items locked inside. Any lockers with items overflowing should be cleaned and closed properly. If a locker is damaged from being forced shut or rigged to not close, the student may be assessed a fee for the damage. Also, students should not share a locker or rig them in a way that allows them to be opened without a combination. Locker combinations are only given out to the person that has the assigned locker.
  
- ❖ **ATTENTION, PARENTS AND STUDENTS!** The Trojan Travelers are thrilled to announce a European trip in June of 2026 for Fruitport High School students to experience France and Spain! Paris, Barcelona, and Madrid each offer world-class art and culture that, experienced together, will amaze you. From iconic architecture like the Eiffel Tower and Park Güell, to savory regional cuisine like steak frites and paella, each day offers new and unforgettable experiences. We will host an Informational Meeting on **Tuesday, December 10 th at 7:00 PM** at Fruitport High School. RSVP for this info session here: <https://bit.ly/4fZIfew> An RSVP is required to attend and to receive location information. If you can't make the meeting, please still RSVP as "interested" so you get the details! Contact Mrs. Ruch at [truch@fruitportschools.net](mailto:truch@fruitportschools.net) with any questions.
  
- ❖ **FRUITPORT HIGH SCHOOL ARTS PROGRAM - CERAMIC POTTERY GLAZING/PAINTING FUNDRAISER** Saturday December 14th from noon 3 PM at 360 W Western Ave, Muskegon, MI 49440. Glaze, brushes, supplies and firing of the object are provided and included in the cost of each item. All items once fired are dishwasher & microwave safe. Questions- reach out to Mrs. Jacobson at [djacobson@fruitportschools.net](mailto:djacobson@fruitportschools.net). Walk-ins Welcome! Additional items will be for sale.

### Student Activities

- ❖ Matilda callbacks are rescheduled to Wednesday, December 11th from 3:00-5:30pm in the PAC. The cast list will be posted on Thursday, December 12th!
  
- ❖ Attention **sophomores, juniors, and seniors** The Trojan Travelers are going to New York City in May of 2025 and we have five more spots left! Here is the [link](#) to check out the trip. Fundraising for the trip

has already started and will continue through the spring. If you have questions you can stop into room 218 or email Mrs. Ruch.

- ❖ The Winter dance will be held on Saturday, January 18, 2025 from 7 - 10 p.m. at the High School. All grade levels are invited to attend. Tickets will be on sale for \$15.00 each from January 8 - 10 during lunches only. Cash or check will only be accepted. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

### **School Counseling Office**

- ❖ All students should now be in the process of completing their EDP (Educational Development Plan) through Xello. This is completed each year. Please reach out to your counselor if you have any questions or need assistance. Ms. Finnerty [jfinnerty@fruitportschools.net](mailto:jfinnerty@fruitportschools.net) for students with the last names A - L and Mrs. Higgs [mhiggs@fruitportschools.net](mailto:mhiggs@fruitportschools.net) for students with the last names M-Z.

### **Seniors - Class of 2025**

- ❖ On December 17th high school seniors will have the opportunity to work on their portion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in their personal finance classes. For those students who do not have a personal finance class, they will have the opportunity to complete their FAFSA during 6th hour. In order for your senior to complete their portion, they will need the following information about you, the parent:

parent(s) legal name

parent(s) date of birth

parent(s) social security number

parent(s) email address

These items are a necessary component of the student's FAFSA in order for them to invite you to contribute to their FAFSA.

ALSO, parents will need their own Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID to contribute to their senior's FAFSA. To help you know which parent(s) will need to contribute and therefore have an FSA ID, there are a couple of short videos for you below. Students who are under legal guardianship, are in foster care, or are homeless and an unaccompanied youth will NOT need to report the parental information above.

[WHO IS A CONTRIBUTOR](#)

[WHY DO I AND MY CONTRIBUTOR AND I NEED OUR OWN FSA ID](#)

[HOW TO CREATE AN FSA ID](#)

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Finnerty or Mrs. Higgs in the School Counseling Office.

### **Athletics**

- ❖ All winter athletes will need to pay their \$85 participation fee if they have not already done so for a fall sport. This needs to be done before their first match/game. You can do this through your final forms account or cash/check in the Athletic office.

- ❖ There will be an informational meeting for boys interested in high school lacrosse through our co-op with Mona Shores. The meeting will be held at Mona Shores on Monday, December 9th at 7:30 p.m.. Reach out directly to Coach Zarotney at [ZarotenyA@monashores.net](mailto:ZarotenyA@monashores.net) with any questions.
- ❖ There will be an informational meeting for any girls interested in high school lacrosse through our co-op with Mona Shores. The meeting will be held at Mona Shores on Monday, December 9th at 6:45 p.m.. Reach out directly to Chip Vasquez at [msblueladylax@gmail.com](mailto:msblueladylax@gmail.com) with any questions.

**Looking Ahead - Save the Date:**

Wednesday, January 15	Delayed Start
Thursday, January 16	½ Day of School - 1st Semester Exams
Friday, January 17	½ Day of School - 1st Semester Exams
Saturday, January 18	Winter Dance - 7:00 - 10 p.m.
Monday, January 20	No School - MLK Jr. Day
Wednesday, January 22	Delayed Start
Wednesday, January 29	Delayed Start
Wednesday, February 5	Delayed Start
Wednesday, February 12	Delayed Start
Monday, February 17-21	No School - Mid Winter Break
Wednesday, February 26	Delayed Start
Friday, February 28	Senior Picture Deadline