

Fruita Monument

High School



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Important Dates:

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Fri.—Sat. 4/15—4/16
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Wed.-Thu. 4/12-
4/13—PSAT/SAT/
CMAS Testing

Thu. 4/13—Parent/
Teacher Conference
3:30-7:30

Sat. 4/22—Prom

Greetings Wildcat fans, Parents, and Supporters!

Spring is in the air and that means many things: completing a course of study at each grade level, planning for next year's journey, PSAT for sophomores, SAT and CMAS for juniors, AP exams and many outdoor extracurricular activities. We are also very excited to honor the wonderful Class of 2023 through many of our traditional activities.

This has been a tremendous school year thanks to our fabulous student body, amazing community of supportive parents, and dedicated faculty. I am so proud to serve all three classes at FMHS.

The community of Fruita Monument is an amazing collection of people, all dedicated to the growth and learning of our high school students. Striving for excellence while cultivating innovation, passion and achievement in all aspects is pervasive in the culture of FMHS. Our hope is that these qualities will continue to be ingrained in their thinking and actions into their future. Life on a high school campus is never dull and we appreciate all of the support from our parents and community.

As we prepare to say farewell to the Class of 2023, I am reminded of how quickly time passes and how special each class is. This year's class of 420 Wildcats has accomplished so much. They have played a critical role in the success of our athletics, performing arts, clubs and academic programs. The class of 2023 includes 10 Advanced Placement Scholars (AP), 12 AP Scholars with Distinction, and 4 AP Scholars with Honors. As of today, more than 50 seniors have earned nearly two million dollars in scholarships with many more to come over the next few weeks. 135 seniors have attained academic honors that qualify them for our annual Honors in Excellence Ceremony on May 8th. In addition, 57 seniors will be recognized at the Superintendent Scholars Luncheon on April 27 for maintaining a 4.0 GPA all four years of their high school career. The Class of 2023 has sustained a long-standing tradition of high achievement at Fruita Monument and we are looking forward to recognizing them at our annual senior events this spring. Congratulations seniors!

We hope to see you out supporting Fruita Monument students in action at our spring activities.

Go Wildcats!

Respectfully,

Todd McClaskey, Principal
IT'S GREAT TO BE A FRUITA MONUMENT WILDCAT

Dates to Remember

Senior Prom

April 22, 7pm-10pm

Absolute Prestige Ranch

Honors and Excellence

May 8, 7pm

South Gym

Senior Finals

May 10 & 11

Senior Checkout/Cap and Gown Pick Up

May 12

Graduation Rehearsal

Monday, May 15

12pm, Lincoln Park

Graduation

Tuesday, May 10

6pm, Lincoln Park

Sophomore/Junior Finals

May 19 & 23

2022-23 State Mandated Testing Schedule (Week of April 10)

Day	Who	Test	Time
Wednesday April 12	11th Grade	SAT Exam	8 am - 12:30 pm (standard time) 8 am - 2:00 pm (50% extended time)
Thursday April 13	11th Grade	CMAS Science Exam	8 am - 11:30 am (standard time) 8 am - 12:00 pm (extended time)
Thursday April 13	10th Grade	PSAT 10 Exam	8 am - 12:00 pm (standard time) 8 am - 1:30 pm (50% extended time)

There will be no testing on Monday (4/10), Tuesday (4/11), and Friday (4/14). We will have our regular eight-period schedule on these days.

For PSAT & SAT, Remember to Bring:

- Two No. 2 pencils with erasers
- Acceptable calculator (see the [SAT Calculator Policy](#))
- Photo ID

For Science CMAS, Remember to Bring:

- Your charged Chromebook (if you have not used it this semester, please stop by the library before 4/10 to make sure that it is updated)
- Pencil
- Photo ID

What **NOT** to Bring:

- A cell phone or other electronic devices
- Highlighters, pens, or mechanical pencils
- Books or papers of any kind
- A timer with an audible alarm

Testing Day Schedule:

8:00 am	Arrive at School, Eat Breakfast in the Cafeteria
8:15 am	Report to Testing Room (testing room assignment will be posted in the hallways)
8:30 am	Testing Begins
11:30 - 12:30 pm	Standard Time Testing Ends
12:00 - 2:00 pm	Extended Time Testing Ends

Frequently Asked Questions and Assessment Information

[Why State Assessments Matter](#)

[State Assessments at a Glance](#)

[PSAT/SAT Fact Sheet](#)

On the days when my student will be testing, what time should they be at school?

*Your student should arrive at school no later than 8 am. It will be critical for your student to be at their testing station on time to receive the group instructions required for each test. **PLEASE carefully note the calendar dates above.***

Do buses run on the testing days?

Buses will run on a regular schedule arriving to and from FMHS. When students have completed their tests, they are free to leave campus. Buses will leave FMHS at 3:26 pm.

Will the Career Center and WCCC still be having classes during the test period?

The Career Center will NOT be holding classes on April 12 and 13. WCCC will be having classes on both days and students can attend those classes on any day they are not testing. The buses will also run for all these students at regular times.

Will all high schools be testing on the same dates?

All four high schools will be testing on Wednesday and Thursday, April 12 and 13.

If I don't want my student to take a test, what do I do?

*Parents who wish to refuse state testing will be required to fill out the [Parent Request for Exemption Form](#) and bring it to the FMHS Main Office. We are not allowed to accept the form in an email, a photocopy of the form, or via a parent phone call. The original form must be turned in with the parent's signature. **Deadline for opting out is on March 31.***

If my student is not scheduled to take a test, should they come to school?

No. In order to properly administer each exam, we will be utilizing all staff to proctor exams and must maintain a testing environment. Teachers will not be available and the library and computer labs will be in use.

What happens if my student gets ill and is not able to attend the testing session?

Students who miss the regular testing sessions will be automatically rescheduled to participate in the make-up sessions on the following dates:

- *PSAT 10 - Wednesday, April 26*
- *SAT - Tuesday, April 25*
- *Science CMAS - Tuesday, April 18*

If you have additional questions, please contact the FMHS administration office at (970)254-6600.

Health Office Announcement

From the Health Office --

It's hard to believe that we are at the end of another great school year! We want to send you off on summer break with a few reminders:

***Parents, all medications will need to be picked up by Tuesday, May 23, no later than 12:00 pm. Students are not allowed to pick these up. We DO NOT keep medications of any kind over the summer months and these will be destroyed on Tuesday, May 23 after 3:00pm, per school district policy. This includes prescription medications, inhalers, cough drops, liquid medications, lotions, eye drops etc. Also, make sure to pick up any other supplies that might be in the health office. If you have a special need or concern, please call the health office.**

*Spring and summer are great times to get any immunizations that your student might be missing. If you received a letter of notice for missing shots, you can take that to the doctor or health department for administration of these vaccinations. If you have lost or misplaced it, we will be happy to get you a new one! Remember to bring in the updated immunization information next fall. There are some changes concerning exemptions. If your student has a personal or religious exemption for immunizations that are required by Colorado State Law, a new exemption will need to be completed after June 30, 2023. A completed form is now required yearly. If you have any question or would like more information, please contact the health office at FMHS or go online at:

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/vaccine-exemptions>

Stay healthy!

Thank you, Sarah Gardner, Health Assistant, and Heather Lee, RN

If you have any questions, please call 970-254-6600 and press "5" to get to the health office.

Athletics

Spring Sports are off to a great start.

The Baseball Team is 6-1 and looking strong.

Girls Golf has a large number of participants out and are doing well.

Boys Lacrosse is very competitive and just hitting their stride.

Girls Lacrosse is off to a 3-1 start and defeated Telluride this week 12-4.

Girls Tennis is showing improvement every day and looking forward to the conference schedule coming up.

Girls Soccer sits at 4-2 and is looking strong.

Our Girls Track team has dominated their opponents on the oval and the boys team is improving by the day.

Boys Swim is competing tough.

Blue Collar Recipients of the month are:

Amber Rice

Kylah Celayeta

Liv Campbell

Elli Lintott

Hunter Smolinski

Ella Unrein

Ryer Roberts

Sadie Ganzer

Kyra Dunn

Solana Rodriguez

Maddie Bullock

Congratulations on a Great Season! FMHS Bowling Team!



Left to Right - Coach Formicola, Lane Staley, Lily Desserich, Nevaeh Gallegos, Kinzie Temple, Aiden Jenkins, Katherine Perez, Adryanna Altenbern, Jaden Powers, Coach Samson, Ryan Donohue, Zander Carey
The team qualified for state this year!

Congratulations Ryer Roberts

FFA State Winner - Ag Education



Ryer earned a gold medal for his work in Agricultural Education. As part of his project, Ryer supported students with Ag education at local elementary schools, Fruita Middle School, F 8/9 and FMHS. He will compete at FFA Nationals in November.
Way to go Wildcats!



Side X Side Basketball Tournament

The Side X Side students had a great time at the basketball tournament! We won against CHS, tied with GJHS, and lost to PHS and the Fruita 8/9 school.



Congratulations Maddie Bullock and Ellie Lintott!

2023 National Scholastic Art Show Winners!



Maddie received a Silver Key in Mixed media and Ellie received a Silver Key for her portfolio. More than 100,000 students submitted more than 260,000 works of art and writing to the 2023 Scholastic Art Awards. Ellie and Maddie's work was selected by some of the foremost leaders in the visual and literary arts for excellence in originality, technical skill, and the emergence of a personal voice or vision. Less than 2,000 works received a National Medal, which places them within the top 1% of all submissions! Colorado had a total of 40 National Medal award winners.

Way to go Wildcats!



Congratulations Toly Chinn!

Daniels Fund Scholarship Recipient

The Daniels Scholarship Program offers a four-year college scholarship that can be used at any accredited non-profit college or university in the United States. More than 2,000 students applied and 238 were selected from our region (Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming). Way to go Toly!

Way to go Wildcats!



Community Art Project - Pieces of Us 2023

Thank you FMHS Design Team!

Thank you for all your hard work in installing and designing this year's community art piece in the commons!

Bottom row (left to right) Hayley Hill, Madison Bullock, Lauren Noll

Back Row (left to right) Devyn Allen, Honor Westcott, Alyx Montgomery, Isabella Koppenhaver, Mackenzie Legg, Jericah Haptonstall, Megan Guire

Way to go Wildcats!



Congratulations Ms. Hernandez!

March Wildcat Staff Member of Month



Ms. Hernandez is dedicated to supporting students and staff. She takes great pride in her work and can be counted on to get the job done. She often goes above and beyond by cleaning extra areas when we are short on staff and does whatever it takes to keep our school clean and safe.

This recognition includes gift packages from Suds Bros. Brewery, Harvest Realty, Horace Man, Stanco Family Polled Herefords, and a designated parking space for the month.

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February GOLDEN PLUNGER AWARD! Mrs. Reithinger's 2nd Period German Class



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Project Bike Tech

Project Bike Tech has begun its community outreach by partnering with the Fruita Police Department. On Friday, March 31, 2023, the police department donated bicycles to FMHS Project Bike Tech. The job now of the students with in bike tech is to refurbish the bicycles and get them back to someone in the community who is in need of a bicycle. As this program grows, we hope to have more and more bikes we can repair / refurbish and get back into the communtiy. If you know of anyone who is in need of a bicycle or is wanting to get rid of one let us know in the bike tech room or email Mr. Baskin.

Thanks,

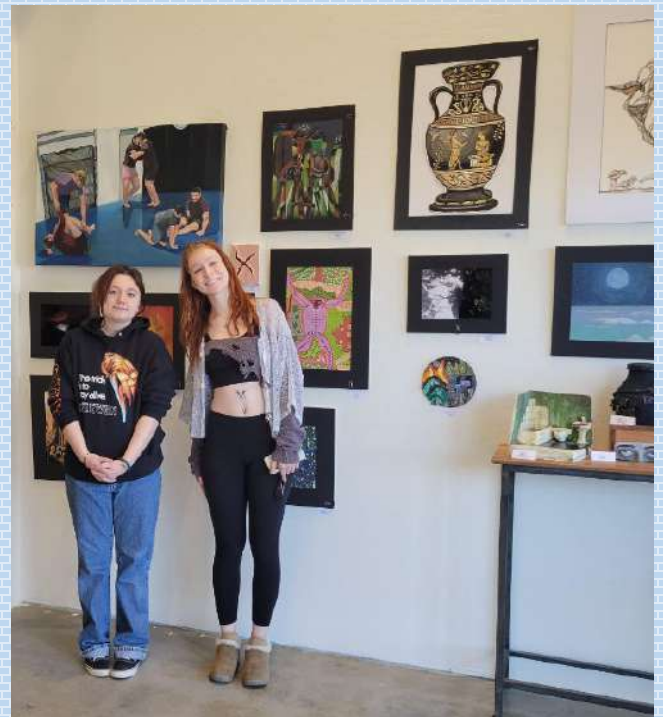
Project Bike Tech team @ Fruita Monument High School

jeremiah.baskin@d51schools.org



Senior Art Show

Check out the Senior Art Show display at FARM (Address: 160 S Park Square, Fruita, CO 81521) Thurs - Sat. 10am -4pm. If the door is open and see the show. Art will be on display until April 14



Paraprofessional Appreciation Day April 3

April 3rd is paraprofessional appreciation day. Paraprofessionals have one of the most challenging jobs in the district and are seldom recognized for their work. Here is a list of names and pictures of all of the paraprofessionals at FMHS. Please let them know how much we appreciate them!

 <p>Nancy Setzer</p>	 <p>Kim McAfee</p>	 <p>Aly Bulgier</p>	
 <p>Jane Nelson</p>	 <p>Kim Patterson</p>	 <p>Kitti Piloni</p>	 <p>Sharon Bambino</p>
 <p>Teresa Somerville</p>	 <p>Tiffany Valdez</p>	 <p>Angela Fortner</p>	

Congratulations Mrs. Anderson!

April Wildcat Staff Member of Month



Mrs. Anderson is dedicated and works extremely hard for her students. She is involved in a variety of committees to support both students and staff. She always has a smile on her face and brings a great attitude every single day.

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Congratulations to Alpine Bank/CMU Students of the Quarter

Congratulations to Maleigha Leckey and Sean Moon (picture to come soon)





You're invited to come back to your roots and celebrate 80 years strong!



Dear former members and friends of Fruita FFA,
Please join us for our 80th anniversary banquet and fundraiser for the Fruita FFA Chapter on **Saturday April 15th, 2023 at 6pm**

In the Main/South gym at Fruita Monument High School.

Admission is \$25 per person.

Tables can be purchased with reserved seating for 8 guests.

Those who are unable to attend can still support us by purchasing a member table or becoming a banquet sponsor.

Doors will open at 5:30 with dinner being served by *Smokey Bonez BBQ* at **6pm**.

There will be chapter awards, silent auction, live auction, and a retired member appreciation.

We hope to see you there!

To purchase your tickets, table, or help sponsor our event, please return the attached order form by April 1st or call McKenna Young 1(970)773-0784. We expect to sell out and tickets are limited so they will be first come-first served.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Address: _____
Email: _____ I Wore the Blue Jacket in (yrs) _____

Please mail my tickets

Please hold my tickets

Tickets: Please mark how many guests and what smoked meat you would like

_____ Tickets X \$25.00 Total: \$ _____

____Pulled Pork _____Brisket

Tables: Please mark what kind of smoked meat you would like (8 seats per table)

Gold Table \$500- Premier seating, Specialty gift and Dessert for everyone at the table.

#____Pulled Pork #____Brisket

Blue Table \$300- Reserved seating, Specialty Dessert for everyone at the table.

#____Pulled Pork #____Brisket

White Table \$200- Reserved seating for 8

#____Pulled Pork #____Brisket

Sponsor our event:

Member Table Sponsor \$200- Purchase a table for active FFA Members.

Banquet sponsorship- \$_____

Please mail this and a check addressed to Fruita FFA to : 1102 Wildcat Ave, Fruita, Co 81521

Fruita Monument High School Presents:

**April 6th, 7th,
and 8th @7 pm**



**Scan for
tickets**

The Marvelous
Wonderettes

Produced by special arrangement with Broadway Licensing. (www.broadwaylicensing.com)

Fruita Monument High School Presents:

Scan for
tickets:



Cafe

Murder

Dinner is an option for evening shows, but those tickets must be pre-ordered before April 12th.

Tickets with dinner cost \$17, tickets for just the show cost \$7.



April 14th, Dinner: 6:30 p.m. Show: 7:30 p.m.
April 15th, Matinee: 2 p.m., Dinner: 6:30, Show:
7:30.

Cafe Murder: A Dinner Theatre Murder Mystery By Nathan Hartwick. Produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc., Denver, Colorado



Military-Bound Graduate Recognition

HONORING LOCAL 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES
THAT HAVE COMMITTED TO SERVE OUR COUNTRY

Western Slope Blue Star Moms invites all families of recruits to join us as we honor graduating seniors that have chosen to serve our country. Join us to meet other local military families from all branches, connect with the Western Slope military community, visit with local recruiters and honor the commitment your child has made.

You are proud of their decision to serve, and so are we!



SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023
WESTERN SLOPE VIETNAM MEMORIAL

340 Hwy 340
Fruita Colorado

11:00 - 11:30 Recognition Ceremony
11:30 - 1:00 Family Picnic

Please RSVP at wsbluestarmoms.org



LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE

SAT TEST PREP

**UPCOMING SESSION: (INCLUDES 4 CLASSES)
MARCH 6, 13, 20 AND APRIL 3
INDIVIDUAL TUTORING: FLEXIBLE DATES & TIMES**

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