



# **MARCH**

## **FHMS**

*Tiger Beat*

KEEP HUSTLING TO THE FINISH LINE

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**"May your blessings  
outnumber the  
shamrocks that grow,  
and may trouble avoid  
you wherever you go."**

**— IRISH PROVERB**

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## **2024-25 Academic Calendar**



**24-25 Academic Calendar.pdf**

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### **Bell Schedule**

FHMS Daily Schedule - Early Dismissal (Wednesday) Schedule - Half Day Schedule

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### **Attendance**

If your student will be missing school for any reason please email the MS office at [katieleed@sjisd.org](mailto:katieleed@sjisd.org) or call (360)378-7201

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## **FHMS Website**

Please check out our Friday Harbor Middle School Website for more up to date information about events and other middle school happenings. Click the button below to be redirected to the MS website.

**MS Website**

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## **Lost and Found**

*Our lost and found is starting to grow again, please have your student check in the MS Commons for any items that may have been left behind!*

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## **Student Fees-**

Please be sure to check into your Skyward account for any fees your student may have accrued throughout the school year. You can pay your students fees online as well as any Food Service fees through your Skyward account.

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Signup now for the 2025 Season

Early Signup discount valid until 3/3/25



<https://fhbsa.sportngin.com/register/form/156220942>



### MS Track Starts Wednesday, April 2nd

Registration Link is below. When looking up your student, drop the 0 in front of their ID#.

<https://friday-harbor.rankone.com/New/NewInstructionsPage.aspx>

If you would rather register in person, registration forms can be picked up in the MS office. Physicals are good for 2 years. Physical Forms are below.

[Physical form - English](#)

[Physical Form - Spanish](#)

In order to start practice on April 2nd, your student will need a pink slip to give the coach. The pink slip lets the coach know the student has completed all forms and can participate.

Pink slips will be handed out during lunch starting March 10th in the MS office.





# IMPORTANT

## dates to remember

**KNOWLEDGE BOWL** - March 05 7:00pm at San Juan Community Theater

**HONORS ASSEMBLY** - March 06 10:15am at Turnbull Gym

**8TH GRADE PARENT MEETING** - March 6 5:30pm HS Commons (Pre Registration discussion)

**7th GRADE FIELD TRIP** - March 07

**ARCHIPELAGO COLLECTIVE (6TH Grade Band)** - March 10

**PINK SLIPS FOR MS TRACK** - March 10 Lunch MS Office

**8TH GRADE PRE REGISTRATION** - March 12 during English class

**STUDENT CONFERENCES** - March 12,13,14 *Half Day school dismissed at 11:20am*

**STUDENT VS STAFF BASKETBALL GAME** - March 14 Doors open at 5pm; Game starts at 6:30

**AUTISM PARENT NIGHT** - March 20 5:00 - 7:00 MS Commons



**MS PLAY Frankie Builds an Android** - March 28, March 29, March 30 at San Juan Community Theater

**MS SPRING CONCERT** - March 31 Turnbull Gym

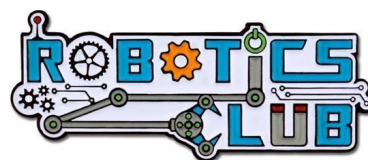
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## Robotics Club

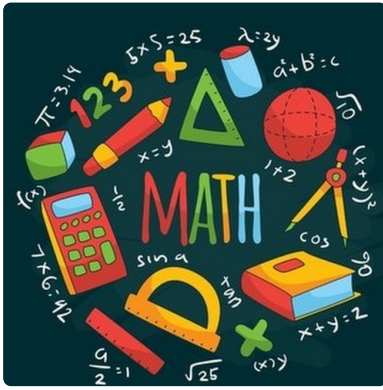
Robotics Club with Mr. Ramsey meets on Mondays and Thursdays from 3:00-4:30pm in room 9.



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## Math Club

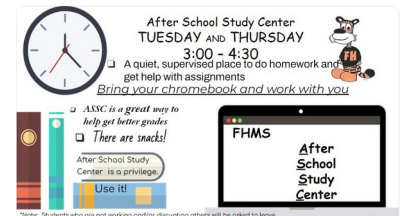
Math Club with Mr. Lopez meets on Mondays after school from 3:00-4:00pm in room 6.



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## A.S.S.C

After School Study Center on Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00pm-4:30pm. Snacks will be provided for students.



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## Junior Thespians Shine at Festivals

Our Junior Thespians had an amazing showing at the Jr. Festival in Redmond in late January. Of the 11 students who performed—many in multiple categories—five qualified for nationals and performed at the Jr. Festival in Renton on Saturday, February 8, while six will be recognized for their excellent ratings.

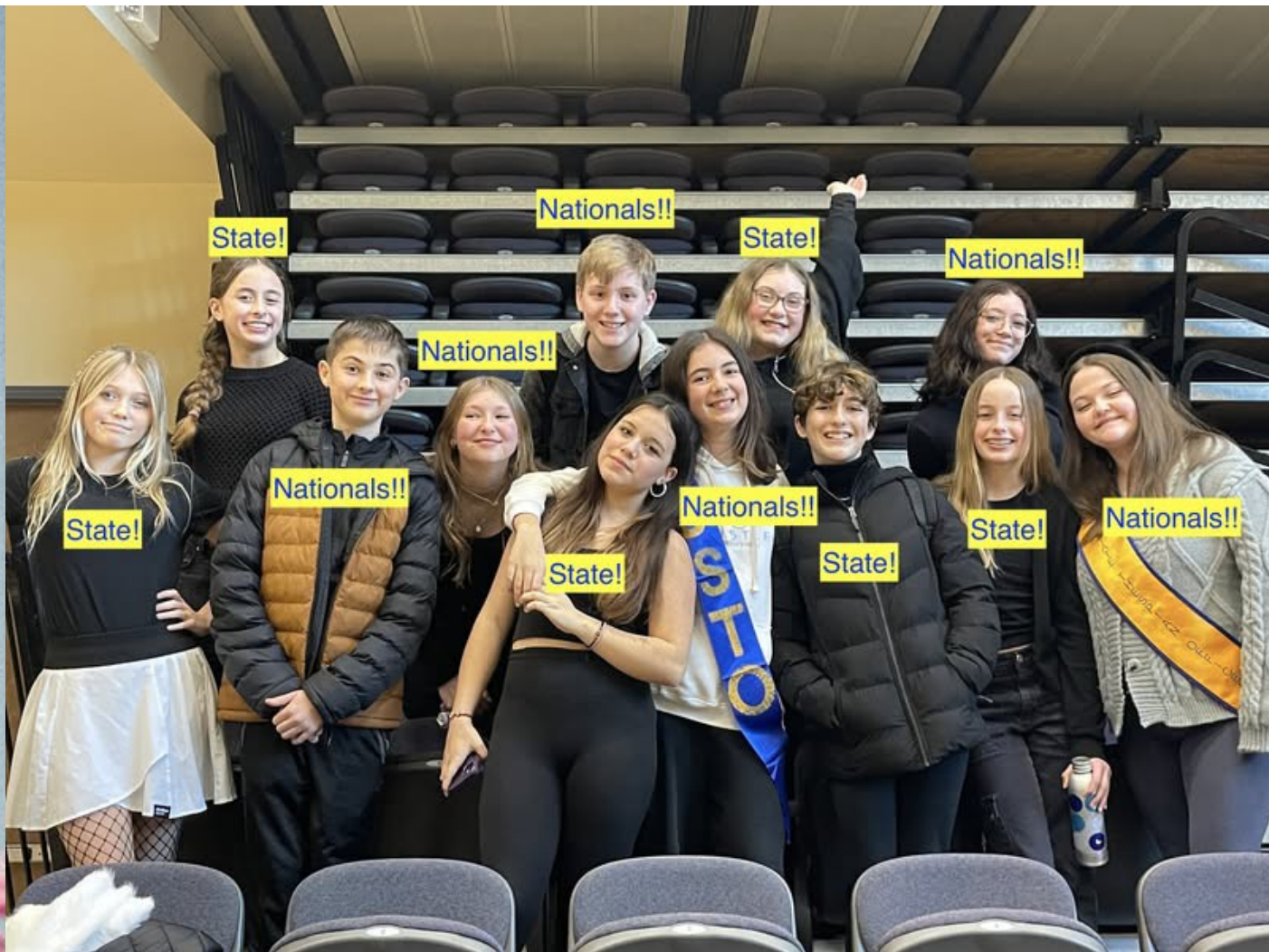
The qualification and recognition system can be a bit complex, but in essence, our young actors and artists are pushing themselves, demonstrating incredible bravery and dedication, and receiving well-deserved recognition for their talent and hard work. We couldn't be prouder!

Our middle school students will take the stage with their musical, Frankie Builds Androids, at the Community Theatre. Opening night is March 28, come support our budding actors. And in June, we will travel to Indiana for the International Thespian Festival, a full week of performances and workshops for students and teachers from across the country to learn, grow, network, and enjoy this amazing art-form we all love so much!

Best -

Lindsey Saarie





We are collecting King's receipts! You can bring any receipts you save into the MS office. For every dollar spent Kings will donate to the Middle School PTO so every little bit helps.

### Emergency Weather Information

Media Links for "Snow Days" Emergency announcements will be posted on district websites, Facebook accounts, sent out via ParentLink and broadcast before school on the stations listed below. If school must be closed mid-day, this will also be announced on the stations and student will be sent home by their usual mode of transportation.

Emergency weather information affecting Bus Routes and time are provided at this link.

<https://www.sjisd.wednet.edu/Page/2150>

Radio:

- KISM - 92.9 FM Bellingham
- KWLE - 1340 AM Anacortes
- KNWN - 1000 AM Seattle
- KAFE - 104.3 FM Bellingham
- KGMI - 790 AM Bellingham

TV:

- KOMO TV 4 - Seattle
- KING TV 5 - Seattle
- KVOZ TV 12 - Bellingham

Online Newspapers:

<https://www.sanjuanislander.com/>

<https://www.sanjuanjournal.com/>

## Chinese New Year and Mr. McKinnon's famous dumplings

On January 29th, the 8th graders kicked off the Chinese New Year with some handmade veggie dumplings. A group of ten 8th graders stayed after school to learn how to make and fold dumplings. We cut out the dumpling wrappers, made a tasty dumpling sauce, and folded a total of 200 dumplings for the next day's party! In class the following day we used bamboo steamers to cook them up fresh in the Middle School kitchen to be served in their Chinese New Year class celebrations.



Leading up to this celebration, in the month of January, we read short stories by Chinese-American authors Amy Tan, Lensey Namioka, and Celeste Ng. During our class party, we enjoyed reading our Chinese horoscopes of *the year of the snake* and watching a few scenes from the Academy Award winning movie *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* while snacking on our freshly steamed dumplings.

Kindly,

Michael McKinnon



**An. Kr. making dumplings**



**Os. Co. and Lu. Ax making dumpling sauce**



**Co. Da. making dumplings**



**Hu. Ma. found the stamps**





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## Meet the Teachers

**Gerryanne Bohn** - Gerryanne is a Special Education teacher with 12 years of experience. She taught in Wisconsin before moving to the beautiful San Juan Islands in 2021. She's worked with students of all ages and learning needs and loves helping them grow. When she's not teaching you can find Gerryanne baking cookies, snapping photos, gardening, or hanging out with her husband and their three dogs. Fun Fact: Gerryanne has been on *The Ellen Show*, *Food Network* and even her dog starred in a T-Pain music video!

**Hannah Buckmaster** - Hannah started her journey in education as a paraeducator for high-needs students in 2019 while earning her teaching degree at Western Governors University. In 2021 she joined the SJISD as a paraeducator at the elementary school and shortly after in 2022 she began teaching special education at Friday Harbor Middle School. When Hannah is not in the classroom you will often find her behind the camera or sketchbook, capturing the island's beauty - especially it's incredible wildlife, with Orca whales being her favorite!

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## SJI Service Scholarship - 8th Grade Students!

<https://sjiservicescholarship.org/about/students/>

This program is designed for the 8th through 12th grade students with a variety of volunteer opportunities based on student interest and community need. Click the link for more information.

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## Non- Discrimination Statement

### *San Juan Island School District Commitment to Non-discrimination*

San Juan Island School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

The San Juan Island School District offers classes in many career and technical education program areas such as Culinary Arts, Career Prep, STEM, and Computer Science under its open admissions policy. For more information about CTE course offerings and admissions criteria, contact CTE Directors, Liz Varvaro, [elizabethvarvaro@sjisd.org](mailto:elizabethvarvaro@sjisd.org), PO Box 458, FH, WA, (360) 378-4133. Lack of English language proficiency will not be a barrier to admission and participation in career and technical education programs.

The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:



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**Kathryn Leed**

Kathryn is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters