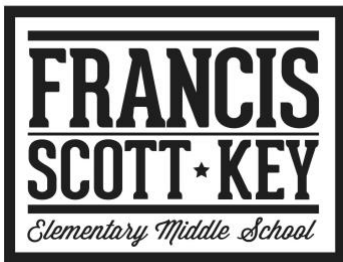


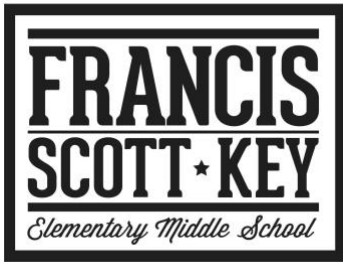
2022-2023 FSK Welcome Letter

We are excited that you will be joining the Francis Scott Key (FSK) community for the 22-23 SY and beyond! Please find pertinent information to get you prepared for the start of a new school year. Please check out our website through the summer for additional information.

First day of School	Monday, August 29th
New Bell Schedule	9:00am-3:40pm
All Students-Pre-K through 8	
Updated AM and PM Building Entrance	<p>Updated AM and PM Building Entrance</p> <p>Entries will be numbers 1-7. Numbering will start at the far-left door (pre-K and K hallway) and end at the entry located on Decatur Street (7th and 8th MS student)</p>
	<p><i>**Due to the enrollment increase in our lower grades, all <u>students will be outside until 9:00am (unless eating breakfast, see below*)</u></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pre-K will enter through entry #3 ● Kindergarten will enter through entry #1 ● Grade 1 will enter/exit at entry #2 near the playground ● Grades 2 and 3 will enter/exit from entry #4, the doors to the left of the main entrance ● Grades 4 and 5 will enter/exit from entry #5 the side doors to the right of the main entrance ● Grades 6 will enter/exit from the bus loop entry #6 ● Grades 7 and 8 will enter and exit from the side of the building, entry #7 <p><i>*If there is inclement weather or the temperature is below 32 degrees, students will be allowed to come into the main hallway and/or cafeteria before 9:00am</i></p>
Breakfast and Lunch	Baltimore City offers free breakfast and lunch to all students. Breakfast is served in the cafeteria from 8:45-9:00am Entry into the cafeteria will take place in entry #4 (not the main doors as was previously used) . Both menus can be found online at Baltimore City Public Schools website. For lunch, children are allowed to bring their own packed lunches.
Uniforms	Pre- K through 5 th grade students are required to wear light blue (tops) and beige bottoms (skirts, jumpers, slacks or shorts). A light blue or navy cardigan can be worn over uniform shirts as temperatures vary in the building throughout the year. Students in grades 6-8 wear dark blue tops and beige bottoms. A more detailed uniform document will be posted on Bloomz and our website. https://wearefsk.org/uniform-transportation-information/
Summer Communication Systems	Through the summer, we will use the following methods of communication: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bloomz (this is for those returning to FSK) 2. Website http://www.wearefsk.org 3. Email Lists (for incoming families) 4. FSK Parent Drive: 22-23 SY FSK Parent Drive (items will be placed in the drive through the summer and SY)
COVID Protocols	At the time of the release of the 22-23 FSK Welcome Letter, City schools will continue with weekly COVID testing. More information will be released as we get closer to the launch of the SY.
Checking in at the Main Office	All parents and visitors must check in at the main office. If you are dropping off belongings, we will have the student called to the main office.



	<p>If you must move through the building, you must receive a visitors badge...<i>please bring your ID!</i> We are asking that you limit late arrivals and early dismissals as much as possible. Both circumstances are impactful on our instructional delay and we hope to limit disruptions as much as possible this SY.</p> <p>Please note, this procedure may change depending on district and BCHD COVID policies during the school year.</p>
Classroom Supply Lists	<p>Supply Lists will be posted on our website: https://wearefsk.org/back-to-school-2022-23/</p>
School-Year Communication	<p>FSK uses an online communication system called Bloomz. Administration and teachers will use the platform to send information to the school community/class community. Since the platform syncs with Infinite Campus (IC), we have found that it makes most sense to perform the sync at the middle/end of the first week of school. You will get info on how to sign up for Bloomz and what to expect before the launch. We will also post on our website during the summer @ https://wearefsk.org/ Be sure to follow Francis Scott Key Elementary/Middle on Facebook</p>
City Schools Calendar	<p>Check Out the 22-23 City Schools Calendar https://www.baltimorecityschools.org/calendar</p>
New Parent Pre-K and K Orientations:	<p>In order to ensure a smooth transition for new Pre-K and K families, we will be hosting two parent information sessions.</p> <p>Kindergarten-Tuesday, August 9th–9am Virtual; 3pm in Person Pre-K-Wednesday, August 10th–10am in person; 4pm Virtual</p> <p>RSVP: https://forms.office.com/r/uXdngL81K1</p>
Pre-K Bootcamps	<p>FSK Pre-K Bootcamp is BACK!</p> <p>Incoming FSK Pre-K students (SY 22-23) are invited to join members of our early childhood staff for a story, crafts, snack, and playtime to meet new friends!</p> <p>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qnYayRn64CfkLs7bMM0fLo35n1S3SLUv9f0dUpKsPfy/edit</p>
Rising 6th Graders Orientation Aug 2: 8:30am-1:00pm Aug 3: 8:30am-1:30pm	<p>We will host our annual 6th grade orientation on August 2-3 with the following schedule:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Aug 2: 8:30am-1:00pm Aug 3: 8:30am-1:30pm</p> <p>You will have a chance to see the school, meet your teachers, and learn more about what FSK has to offer during the Middle School years! Please RSVP here:https://forms.gle/pThdPmQkuWMH9ZwW6</p>
FSK “Peek at your Seat” and Supply Drop Off at FSK	<p>We will host a “Peek at your Seat” and Supply Drop off at FSK on: Thursday, August 25-9am-4pm. More information will be sent out via Bloomz, email, and posted on our website.</p>



	<i>*Please ensure that you label the supplies for easy distribution on opening day. This is NOT a time to have conversations with teachers and staff, they will be busy with Professional Development and room preparation*</i>
Opening Day PTO Meet and Greet	As we have done in the past, we plan on holding a PTO Welcome Meet and Greet during the opening day of school (Aug 29) This will take place outside or in the cafe. There will be a chance to sign-up for events and committees.
Monthly PTO Meetings	We are slated to hold monthly PTO meetings on the 3 rd WED of each month. Due to the start date, our first PTO meeting is slated to take place on Wednesday, September 14 th . More details to follow.
Do You Need Before and Aftercare?	Contact PJ Mathews and Andrea Moore at aluprogram@gmail.com .
<u>Save the Date:</u> Back to School Night September 21st 5:30-7:30pm	More details to follow
<u>Save the Date:</u> Locust Point Festival (LPF)	The LPF is set for Saturday, September 10th at Latrobe Park. Look for more details about this event on our Facebook Page and beyond! It's a wonderful fun-filled day where FSK hosts the kid's games and activities table.

If there are questions that arise, please email us at FSK076@gmail.com and cbasmajian@bcps.k12.md.us.

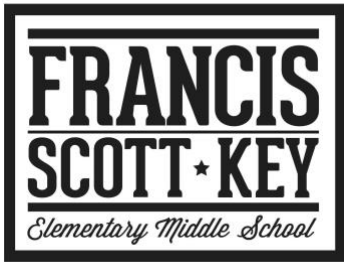
Enjoy the rest of the summer and we'll see you soon!

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Details:

- This event is for incoming students only. Students will practice transitioning into the building independently to help set up routines and smooth transitions for the first few weeks of school.
- Bootcamp takes place 8/1-8/3 and 8/9-8/11 for 75 minute sessions throughout the day. Each student is able to sign up for a total of 2 sessions. Please only sign up for 1 session per day available. Use our sign up genius (below) to reserve your spot!



- Drop off and pick up will take place at the “Blue Pre-K Door” just outside of the playground area!

To sign up your child, register for 1-2 sessions here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084AA9A62BA2F58-fskpkbootcamp>

To help us collect contact information that our team can access quickly, please complete this google form prior to your sessions:

<https://forms.gle/A9xWHth8r1fSP1hX6>