

# Newsletter

#### April 11, 2024

#### WHAT'S IN THIS NEWSLETTER?

- Updates Spring Fundraiser Updated, Spring Sports, DC Trip Meeting
- Sign-ups Lunch Volunteers, New HS Hoodies, Summer Camps
- Profile of the Week Bill Jeske, Social Studies Teacher



#### STUDENT OF THE MONTH WINNERS

We want to congratulate our March winners for demonstrating AWARENESS!

- K Lucy Quaschnick, Bithanya Anteneh
- 1 Juilliete Mercado Flores, Raina Casanova
- 2 Mia Krmpotich, Josiah Perdue
- 3 Jack Neuman, Lincoln Bozicevich
- 4 Paxton Kuhlman, Mawuenam Avorgbedor
- 5 Isaiah Trach, Lillian Theis
- 6 Daniel Trejo, Michaela Walker
- 7 Ephrem Buhr
- 8 Santiago Ramos
- 9 Jemma Clark
- 10 Soren Rebney
- 11 Tallon Deegan
- 12 Justin Timonen



#### SAVE THE DATE

We have officially rescheduled and confirmed the date for our Spring fundraiser! We invite everyone to join us on Thursday, May 30th at Cowboy Jacks in Apple Valley for a Happy Hour Fundraiser! We will enjoy live music performed by some of our very own FIT faculty members and also enjoy some fun competition over silent & live auction items!

Mark your calendars and save the date!

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

April 26 - NO SCHOOL

May 4 - HS Prom (9-12 Grade)

May 10 - Spring Fling Dance Party (4-8 Grades)

May 17 - Spring Carnival

May 27 - Memorial Day (NO SCHOOL)

May 30 - FIT Fundraiser

May 31 - Senior Kayak Trip

K-8 APRIL LUNCH MENU

9-12 APRIL LUNCH MENU



### WASHINGTON, D.C. TRIP

On Wednesday April 17th at 4pm in Room 201, we will have the final meeting about the Washington, D.C. trip. This meeting is required and only for the parents/students who are already signed up. We will be going over important travel information including flights, where we will be meeting, pack list, and the final agenda for the trip. We are excited about this trip! See you on April 17th in Room 201.

Please make your final payment ASAP.



#### **2024 SPRING SURVEY**

We are committed to providing the best possible educational experience for our students! Each year, we conduct a survey to gather feedback from our families. Your responses play a crucial role in shaping our decisions as a leadership team and governing school board.

Would you take 5 minutes to complete this anonymous survey? Your honest feedback allows us to identify areas where we excel and areas where we can improve. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school community.

#### **TAKE SURVEY**



#### MCA TESTING SCHEDULE

April 8-12 - MCAs for 6th-8th & 10-11th grade April 15-19 - MCAs for 3rd-6th, 8th grade April 16 - ACT for 11th grade April 22-25 - MCAs for 3rd-5th grade







## PROFILE OF THE WEEK Bill Jeske, Social Studies Teacher

Mr. Bill Jeske serves FIT Academy in so many ways! He holds a bachelor's and master's degree in History from the University of Minnesota, and he teaches 5 sections of Social Studies for grades 6-8 and 11-12. He also serves as the advisor for the yearbook.

In addition to his role as a teacher, Mr. Jeske works with the Student Council to coordinate all the fun school events like the dances, Food Drive, and Spirit Week. He also co-leads the football team with Mr. Vang as the defensive coordinator.

Mr. Jeske says, "The best part of school is the relationships built over 5 years with the students and the staff. Being a part of FIT is really being a part of a family. The support and love that we get and

give is what makes FIT such a special place."

Outside of school, Mr. Jeske has been married for about 10.5 years and has a 2 years old son. He loves spending time at home with his family and loves visiting his in-laws in Columbia.

Mr. Jeske, thank you for all the ways you serve our school and students!



#### **NEW SPORTS CO-OP**

Exciting News About a Sports Co-op for FIT Academy!

Randolph Schools and FIT Academy have



#### **SPRING SEASON INFO**

Middle School Volleyball: Our team remains undefeated! Go Tigers!

April volleyball schedule.

agreed to a full sports co-op beginning in the fall of 2024! Randolph, located about 30 minutes away, has very strong sports programs. Several of their high school teams have participated in state tournaments in recent years! This co-op will involve all high school sports and some middle school sports. Look for further communication from Mr. Cassidy, including information about Fall sports!

Flag Football: Coach Jeske and Coach Vang and our team have been working hard to prepare for their first game against Achieve Academy on Thursday, April 25.

April Football Schedule May Football Schedule

High School Golf: Outdoor practices continue.



#### SUMMER SPORTS CAMP

Tigers Basketball Camp

June 17-20 (Grades 3 & 4), 9:00-10:30am June 24-27 (Grades 5 & 6), 9:00-10:30am

Tigers Volleyball Camp

July 18-21 (Grades 7-12), 8-9:30am July 18-21 (Grades 5 & 6), 9:45-11:15am REGISTER FOR BASKETBALL CAMP

REGISTER FOR VOLLEYBALL CAMP



#### HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION

Mr. Allaire and our secondary coordinator Mrs. Halama have recorded an introduction and orientation to next year's high school program. You can view the orientation here and email any questions to Mrs. Halama at ahalama@fitacademymn.org or Mr. Allaire at callaire@fitacademymn.org.

**WATCH VIDEO!** 



#### CALL FOR BOARD NOMINATIONS

On Wednesday, May 15, we will elect members to our FIT Academy Governing Board, and we need your nominations! This Board governs and oversees the school.

Minnesota law requires that charter school boards include at least 5 members who are not related. Members must include at least one of the school's licensed teachers; a parent or legal guardian of a student enrolled at the school; and an interested community member. In addition, members cannot have conflicting interests with the school.

Our school board is currently 7 members strong. For this election, the ideal board composition to be seated is no less than 5, and no more than 7. There can be no group majority on a school board.

We will have the following vacancies this election:

- 1 Parent Seat
- 1 Teacher Seat
- 1 Community Seat
- 1 Other (the next highest vote recipient from any of the three groups)

New board members will begin their terms in June 2024.



#### **LUNCH VOLUNTEERS!**

We would love for you to volunteer in our lunch room! It's a fun way to connect with your kids and other students. You will help students open milk and lunch items as well as clean the tables after each lunch period. Click to sign up!



#### HEALTH REMINDER

We want to remind parents to keep your children home from school when they are ill. As a refresher, school policy requires students to stay at home if they have had a fever or vomitted in the last 24 hours.



#### AFTER-SCHOOL CARE

We offer after-school care again this year from 2:45 pm to 5:00 pm. Open to students in grades K-5. You must enroll by Wednesday, if you plan to use after school care the following week. If you have questions, please email Jen Iten at jiten@fitacademymn.org.

SIGN UP TO **VOLUNTEER** 



Would you considered leaving our school a review? Your perspective could be helpful in leading other families to our school. Just click above!

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**



We want to invite everyone to join our 2 Facebook groups! **FIT Academy FIT Academy Families** 

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