



Friendship Insider Iss. 82 - Umoja-Unity-Love

February 18, 2021

Learning Model: In Person w/Remote Option

Hello Friendship Academy Families,

This week our focus is on the first principal of Kwanzaa: Umoja which means to strive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation, and race. This is how we work as a community to stomp out any type of bullying and create a community where we support each other. Please click the link below to see a special inspiring message from Dr. Timothy Berry from Metropolitan State from our Family Involvement Meeting.

[Dr. Berry Message on Umoja-Unity-Love](#)

Our annual Wax Museum will be virtual on **February 26th starting at 2pm**. Scholars are working hard on their speeches and their videos are due on **February 19th**. Please speak with your scholar about their character and use this as an opportunity to let them know they can impact their community and world in a similar way.

Thank you so much for your partnership.
#friendshipstrong

Dr. B. Charvez Russell
Executive Director

Reminders

Fridays

Fridays are now asynchronous with no in



Key Dates

February 19th - NWEA Testing (4th-8th)
Wax Museum Videos Due

February 22nd - FAA Board of Directors Meeting @5pm

meet.google.com/oit-ibny-agd

Join by phone

(US) +1 530-777-0311 PIN: 691 920 671#

February 26th: Annual Wax Museum

March 5th - Family Conferences

March 9th - Virtual High School Fair for 8th grade Families

March 19th - Trimester 2 Ends

April 5th-9th - Spring Break (No School)

[Updated School Calendar](#)

Daily School Schedule

8:15-8:55 Freedom School Virtual Book Club

9:00 - 9:55 - Enrichment

10:00-4:15 - Core instruction

We are accepting applications in grades K-8th for the Fall 2021 so please encourage all interested

person learning and no live classes. Freedom School, enrichment, and general education classes will all have assignments and scholars will have check ins with support staff. Please click the link for the [Friday Schedule](#)

Self Monitoring

Please continue to self-monitor for any symptoms prior to leaving home. Contact the office if you choose to keep you scholar home due to symptoms.

Uniforms

Starting February 1st the scholars will be expected to dress according to the uniform policy. Please refer to the [STAR Family Handbook](#) on page 11 for the uniform policy.

Water Bottles

As a part of our safety protocols water fountains will not be used so all scholars will need a water bottle. There will be some additional water bottles available but asking scholars to bring their own if the school issued one can not be located.

Headphones

All scholars are expected to have headphones to maximize their experience in class and minimize distractions. If school issued headphones cannot be located we are asking scholars to bring their own.

Charging Devices

Please ensure devices are fully charged each day. This helps minimize the need to charge devices throughout the day and the misplacement of chargers.

Remote Learning Notification

We encourage all families to be committed to the learning model chosen. If a situation arises where your scholar is not able to attend in person classes please notify the office or your teacher within 48hrs or as soon as possible to allow time to properly plan for possible remote learning,

families to visit www.friendshipacademy.org to enroll.



FAA is in the process of developing our new strategic plan for the next 3-5 years. Please click the link below for details as to our work so far. We need your feedback to make sure our families are heard as we plan the future of Friendship Academy of the Arts! Please respond by February 28th.

[Strategic Plan Presentation](#)

[Student Success Profile Details](#)

[Student Success Profile Family Feedback Form](#)



transportation, food, and space.

Helpful Links and Information

Sign Into JMC

Track Scholar Grades through JMC

Watch [this video](#) to learn how to access your scholars Grades from JMC.

Feedback, questions, suggestions, and concerns

e-mail: school@friendshipacademy.org

phone: 612-879-6703

[Feedback Form](#)

Deliveries

If you need any items delivered please contact the office or e-mail ylawhorn@friendshipacademy.org

Tech support

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FAA STUDENT
COUNCIL PRESENTS

BLACK HISTORY ART CONTEST

*Create ANY type of Art
Work celebrating a
Historical Black figure
and submit it to your
student council
representative!*

ALL ART WORK DUE BY
FEBRUARY 26TH
1ST ROUND OF VOTING
MARCH 1ST-4TH
FINAL ROUND OF VOTING
MARCH 8-11TH
WINNER ANNOUNCED
MARCH 12TH



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