



# Friendship Insider Iss. 83 - Ujima- Collective Work & Responsibility

March 1, 2021

Learning Model: In Person w/Remote Option

Hello Friendship Academy Families,

Ujima, is our focus this month and the third principle of Kwanzaa. This principle focuses on the collective responsibility for both achievements and setbacks in the community and reminds us that building each other up is the best way to truly solve problems.

This principle is also connected to Habit 4: Think Win Win. Win-win is a frame of mind and heart that constantly seeks mutual benefit in all human interactions. Win-win means agreements or solutions are mutually beneficial and satisfying. We both get to eat the pie, and it tastes pretty darn good!

We will get the opportunity to practice these principles this week in our family conferences. The more we set goals together as scholar, family, and school, the better chance we will have of accomplishing everyone's goal of ensuring a high quality education for all of our scholars.

Thank you so much for your partnership. #friendshipstrong

Dr. B. Charvez Russell  
Executive Director



## Key Dates

**March 2nd - 6pm**

Family Involvement Meeting

[meet.google.com/rjx-pzsf-ujq](https://meet.google.com/rjx-pzsf-ujq)

**Join by phone**

(US) +1 347-305-8747 PIN: 349 773 511#

**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 families to visit

[www.friendshipacademy.org](http://www.friendshipacademy.org) to enroll.

## Reminders

### Covid-19 Travel Guidelines

When considering travel please refer to the CDC guidelines below. This is the protocol we will be following until further notice.

### [CDC Travel Guidelines](#)

### Fridays

Fridays are now asynchronous with no in 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](#)

### 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.

### 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, 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](mailto:school@friendshipacademy.org)

phone: 612-879-6703

[Feedback Form](#)



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](#)



**Deliveries**

If you need any items delivered please contact the office or e-mail

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**Tech support**

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**Family Involvement Meeting**

March 2, 2021

6:00pm-7:00pm

'Ujima' - Collective Work & Responsibility

**Agenda**

Welcome: Ms. Heher

Family game - Ms. Thompson

Guest Speaker: Jessica Winnie, Mn BlackBox, poet, teacher, organizer, entrepreneur

**Announcements**

**Announce game winner**

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**FRIENDSHIP ACADEMY OF THE ARTS**

**FAMILY CONFERENCES**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 5TH  
10AM-6PM**

**Student-Parent-Teacher  
Virtual or In-Person**

Learn more about your scholar's progress this year, and help your child reach and achieve their goals by discussing their Individualized Learning Plan!

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**VIRTUAL STEM SATURDAY**  
SUPPORTED BY **SUMMIT**  
ACADEMY  
PRESENTS  
**MATH:** The Dance of the Pendulum Wave  
Sat. March 6th, 2021 | 12pm-2:30pm CST

VIA **zoom**  
Video Conferencing

**PARTICIPANTS WILL:**

- receive a kit to participate.
- design, build, and test their own Pendulum Wave
- learn the laws of simple pendulum motion
- be able to describe wave patterns and create wave sequences.

**K-9TH GRADE**  
**FREE**

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The banner features a photograph of a young girl working on a pendulum experiment. The background is yellow with a dotted pattern.

## STEM Saturday!

Math: The Dance of the Pendulum Wave  
Participating students will learn about laws of simple pendulum motion, be able to describe wave patterns, wave sequences, and design, build, and test their own Pendulum Wave. There will be a kit distribution to participate. All required materials will be provided except for a computer and Wi-Fi. Prior to the start of STEM Saturday, Zoom video conferencing will also need to be downloaded to the computer (choose the Zoom client for Meetings option).

When: Saturday, March 6, 2021

Time: 12-2:30 p.m.

Where: virtually via Zoom

Who: Students in grades K-9

Cost: FREE

If you're interested, please click the link below to register!

[Registration Link](#)