



## SOUTH FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL

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## Greetings from South Fremont High School

Greetings from South Fremont High School, It is great to be back and we are looking forward to another wonderful year here at South Fremont High School. Our enrollment is up from 450 students last year to 470 this year. We also welcomed some new teachers to our staff this year. Mrs. Raia will be teaching in the resource room, Mr. Chun will teach Spanish and Mr. Jicha will teach health and weight training.

The students have all settled into their new classes and the athletic teams are off and running for the fall season. Our school wide goals this year include our ongoing process to implement literacy standards in all curricular areas. Our plan is to provide students the opportunities to learn reading and writing at a high level. It is also our goal to work hard helping students improve their SAT and ACT scores. There are some fun activities in place to help make this happen.

Technology continues to play a big part of the educational process here at our school. We currently have over six hundred computers, laptops and Chromebooks available for students to use in classrooms. The opportunities to develop skills and interests are extensive. Please encourage your student to become involved in all that we have to offer. College and Career readiness continues to be our focus

and we work tirelessly to prepare students for the future.

Along with this will be opportunities and activities that your children will be involved in throughout the year. If you have concerns with any of these activities and choose not to have your student involved, please contact the school and let us know. The specific activities are listed below:

- Students will be involved in field trips during the school year. This includes bus trips and walking trips.
- Photographs and filming of students by the news media.
- Photographs and filming of students by the school for instructional purposes, for school newsletters, yearbooks, and other school publications.
- Students will be using the internet and computer based instructional programs.
- School district officials will email you information regarding student grades, attendance, student achievement, and discipline. This will be sent to the email address that you provide.
- "Directory Information" may be released to the news media regarding your child for school purposes such as graduation programs, school music programs, athletic events, etc. Directory information is defined by district policy as: student name, grade level, dates of attendance at the school, participation in school activities, telephone number, awards and school recognition, photographs, and height/weight of athletic team members.

We encourage students to be active and involved and there will be many activities coming up with Homecoming Week starting September 5th. This is a busy place with the best kids in the world. If ever you have questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call.

This is a great school in a great community. We cannot begin to express our appreciation for your continued support in our many endeavors to help students find success. Mr. Bennett

Mr. Bennett

## Counseling News

Visit the counseling website for information about graduation requirements, scholarships, dual credits, transcripts, SAT/ACT information, and much more. Click the [guidance](#) link on the school website. [sfhscougars.com](http://sfhscougars.com)

The PSAT is a college readiness test for all sophomores to participate in on October 11. Juniors are welcome to sign up for it also. It costs \$15 for juniors to retake it, but it is good preparation for taking the SAT in April. The counselors have practice books available to help familiarize each student with the format and content of questions on the test. There is also a PSAT test date scheduled for freshman students. It will be October 26. Work hard and prepare to do your best.

Interested in earning college credits while still in high school? The Advanced Opportunities Program has expanded coverage for dual credit courses and overload courses. These courses can be taken throughout high school. Early graduation scholarships of \$1500 are also available. More information is available at <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/student-engagement/advanced-ops/index.html>.

Last year, students completed 356 college credits covered by the Advanced Opportunity program. At a university level the cost would have been approximately \$106,800.00. Nice work South Fremont students.

The next ACT test date is October 28, registration deadline is September 22. SAT test date is October 7, registration deadline is September 8.

A Senior 2018 Remind group has been created. If you are interested in texts about test dates, scholarships, jobs, and other information that is helpful in the graduation process, send a text to 81010 with @3hk3d6 in the message field. That will enroll you in the group. Parents welcome.

Wednesday, September 6, at 6:00 p.m. the counselors are sponsoring an information night for parents of all South Fremont High School students. Topics will consist of graduation requirements, earning college credits, career research and planning, with resources for identifying the steps along the path to graduation and the future.

Seniors, apply for scholarships early and often. If you don't apply, you will not receive. Thousands of dollars in scholarships were awarded last year. See the list [here](#).

ACT Deadline for the October test is September 16th. Visit the [counselor](#) web site for more information.

## IMPORTANT

**REMINDER:** *Create a backup of all of your Google Drive files* (STEAM). If the data gets lost, or your account accidentally gets deleted, you will want to have a backup. \*This is important because, if you have STEAM files and you don't have a backup, you may have to start over if something happens to your online files. You can download a copy to your PC, a flash drive, a CD, another cloud storage place, or an external hard drive.

**2018 SENIORS:** your accounts will be **deleted** next summer. If you have college, testing, and or scholarship information you need to keep, please take 10 minutes and forward the e-mails to another account, change your email address with the colleges, and download any files you want to keep. BETTER YET, if you are just now applying, use a permanent personal account for these types of contacts. If you do not have a PROFESSIONAL email account, you may want to consider creating one to use with business, college, and other professional contacts.

## STEAM

1. STEAM is open for **submissions for previous year assignments**.
2. It will remain open indefinitely for 14-15, 15-16, and 16-17 school year submissions.
3. If your child is behind, or needs to make corrections, please encourage them to do so as soon as possible.
4. PLEASE NOTE: The rubrics have changed. **When completing previous years' work, use the rubric for that year.**
5. For a successful submission, we recommend that your child read all instructions and rubrics carefully before submitting.
6. Updated rubrics and writing guides and all other STEAM information files are available on the [STEAM](#) page of the school website.
7. Please look at the [dates and updates](#) file and mark your calendars with the submission dates for this year.

**STEAM has dramatically improved students' writing skills. Congratulations students. Keep up the hard work.**  
**STUDENTS-**[The rubrics have changed.](#) It would be a good idea to look them over closely right now. **When completing previous years' work, use the rubric for that year.**

## SFEF (South Fremont Education Foundation)

SFEF offers a participation scholarship call the Share Scholarship. Have you signed up yet? Click [here](#) for information or visit the [SFEF page](#) on the school website.

## Classroom News

### Business Education

Misty Berrett

Lesson plans and activities for all business classes are posted on the school web site. There is a link to [Planbook](#) on the faculty page under Misty Berrett.

The business computer apps students will again be participating in The IT Academy Program. Students will have the opportunity to earn Microsoft Office Certifications through Certiport. These are industry standard certifications and are free of charge.

The Web design classes will be coding using HTML. It will be fun to see where their abilities and imagination take them as they create web pages and sites. These students will have the opportunity to earn an HTML certification at not cost. The class is being delivered through ieclass, so students have access at home if they need additional practice or if they are absent. Lesson plans are posted on [Planbook](#). You can also access my Planbook page from the faculty page of the school website.

### Technology

Ed Powell

What??? Where did summer go??? I hope everyone had a great summer and are ready to get back in 'school gear' (hey, I wonder if I could build something with that gear...) Anyway, I'm excited to be back and working with your awesome students!

It's been a smooth start to our year so far and it looks like my cabinetry classes are the fullest they've been for a long time. That's great!

I'm excited to see all the fancy projects students build and design, not only in those classes, but all the others too! We'll be cramped, but will get lots done.

Since we've just barely started, there isn't much to say, so I'll keep it short and sweet. Just wanted to check in and, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me. I look forward to a great year! - Mr. Powell

## South Fremont Athletics

**Schedules** are posted on the sports page on the school website ([sfhscougars.com/sports](http://sfhscougars.com/sports))  
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**Homecoming Week** is September 5-8--See the school website for a list of activities\* There is a [link](#) with the activity list on the home page.

SEPT. 5-8 IS HOMECOMING WEEK!!

**Tuesday-** Movie night in little theater. No cost to students 8:00 pm

**Wednesday-** Powder Puff after volleyball game. Admission cost \$1 per person.

**Thursday-** Bonfire. Free pizza. Starts between 8 and 8:30.

### Friday-

#### During school-

Parade

Cougar Olympics

Pep Assembly

#### After school

Tailgate party 5-7ish (free food, face paint, activities)

Homecoming game 7:00 pm against Bear Lake

Homecoming dance- in commons after the game

\$4 unless wearing red and black then \$3

### Dress Up Days

Tuesday- America Day- Red, White, and Blue

Wednesday- Twin Day- Find someone to dress like

Thursday- Theme Day- Seniors Hawaiian (Moana) Juniors College days (Monsters University) Sophomores (Cars) Freshman

Flannel/suspenders (Wreck It Ralph)

Friday- Red and Black attack!!

**Yearbooks** are on sale NOW! Don't forget to reserve your copy before the prices go up. They are \$55 but will go up to \$60 on December 4th. Don't miss out on some great memories!

You can order and pay in the office or online. To order online, click the image below or visit the [yearbook page](#) on the school website.



**Yearbooks are great now, priceless later.**  
**Buy your yearbook today. [CLICK HERE](#)**

*Walsworth* yearbooks



You can share your photos with the yearbook staff. Click the image below for more information.

# Want to see your photos in the yearbook?



**SENIORS**-we need a baby picture for the yearbook. Please see Mrs. Cory.

**Clubs are forming**--students are being encouraged to get involved a club or other activity. (Band, BPA, Buddies, Choir, Cougar Enterprices, FCCLA, FFA, Honor Society, Interact, International, Latino, Scholastic Team, TSA, Yearbook, School Play)

## **BPA**

Business Professionals of America is forming. Our first meeting will be Wednesday, September 6 at lunch. We will be electing officers at that meeting. If you are interested in joining, please see Mrs. Berrett in room 213. We would love to have you. There will be a leadership training opportunity September 24th in Idaho Falls for the officers.

Our competitions this year include the regional leadership conference at EITC in January, the state leadership conference in Boise March 7-10, and the national leadership conference in Dallas, TX May 9-13. Students have many leadership and service opportunities, including running for a local, state, and national office. Students can also participate in local, state, and national service campaigns. There are workplace skills events in five areas: Finance, Business Administration, Management Information Systems, Digital Communications and Design, and Management, Marketing, and Communication. These areas include 60 events.

The cost to join is \$35. This covers the national and state membership dues and the regional conference registration fee.

## **Booster Club**

Welcome back students! We are excited for another super year here at the high school! The Booster Club is under way and ready to support the kids! We were excited to have a Back to School "breakfast"...handing our donuts and chocolate milk to the students this last Wednesday! We hope the students are getting back in to good routines with school starting again!

You can find us selling Cougarware at some of the upcoming sporting events. We will be selling at the first home volleyball game. We sold at the first football game and wanted to thank all who purchased some cougarware to show off their red and black "cougar pride" at sporting events! We will be selling more at the Homecoming game coming up next week.

We are also doing the football concessions. We sure appreciate all of the parent volunteers that are helping with the concessions. That is our biggest fundraiser that helps us with all of the different things we do throughout the year! If there is a parent we didn't contact about helping, feel free to talk to us...we would love your help!

We are gearing up for Homecoming week. There are a lot of fun activities planned throughout that week. Come and support the different activities that are planned! We know the student council has been working hard to make it a great week! The Booster Club will be having the tailgate party once again the night of the Homecoming game...along with the help of the student council. Watch for more info to come on this event.

One new thing we are doing this year is recognizing the team each season with the highest average GPA per team. We will recognize them at the awards' night at the end of each season and will give them a pizza party. So keep those grades up and work hard in school!

We love South Fremont and we love helping make it a great place to go to school! Happy Homecoming week! And have a great September!

***"It is only through work and strife that either nation or individual moves on to greatness. The great man is always the man of mighty effort, and usually the man whom grinding need has trained to mighty effort."*** Theodore Roosevelt

## **Stay in the Know**

Please be aware that our website is continually updated with relevant information and activities. Visit us at [SFHScougars.com](http://SFHScougars.com). To stay up to date on activities and upcoming events, visit our calendar at [SFHScougars.com/calendar](http://SFHScougars.com/calendar).

We are also on Facebook. Be sure to “like” us and you will receive important updates about what is going on at our school. One last thing,if you know of anyone who would like to receive information from our school please advise them to subscribe to our email list found on our homepage at [SFHScougars.com](http://SFHScougars.com). This email list will be used to send newsletters and important information in regards to our school.

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