

FAIR HAVEN GRADE SCHOOL



FAIR HAVEN APRIL 2026 SCHOOL

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

As we enter the final stretch of the school year, I want to take a moment to celebrate the hard work of our students and the incredible support of our community. Spring is in full swing, and the energy across our PreK-6 classrooms is truly wonderful to see.

Statewide Assessments

We are in the middle of Cognia testing for grades 3-6. Our students have approached these assessments with impressive determination and focus. I also want to extend my gratitude to our staff for their dedication to making the testing process smooth and encouraging for all learners.

Budget Approval

We are grateful to the Slate Valley Community for the positive budget revote. This support is vital to our mission of providing an excellent education for every child. We thank you for your continued investment in our students' futures.

PTO Involvement

A special thank you to the PTO for providing student snacks during testing week—it made a significant difference in keeping our students energized! To keep these wonderful programs running, we need your help. We are seeking new members to bring fresh perspectives to our team. Whether you can help at an event or contribute behind the scenes, "many hands make light work." Want to join us? Please reach out to learn more!

Mark Your Calendar: End-of-Year Events

We have a busy and exciting few weeks ahead! Please save the dates for these upcoming celebrations:

Event	Date / Details
Grade 5/6 End-of-Year Dance -	May 22 nd , 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Celebration of Learning -	May 26 th 5:00-6:00 p.m.
Primary BBQ (PreK-1) -	May 29th
Intermediate BBQ (2-4) -	June 5th
Early Middle Level BBQ (5-6) -	June 12 th , 12:15 p.m.
Grade 6 Celebration -	June 12 th , 11:00 a.m.
Last Student Day -	June 18 th early release at 11:20 a.m.
Additional events and details will be shared as plans are finalized. We want to share these important dates to help you plan accordingly.	

Happy Spring!
Mrs. Infurna, Principal

Upcoming Events

April

6th - 1st Grade Parent Workshop 5-6pm

8th PTO mtg 5:00 p.m

15th - Drama Production 1-6, 6:30 p.m.

16th - 2nd Drama Production 1-6, 6:30 p.m.

17th - Early Release Day - Building Based

20th - 24th No School - April Break

29th - Granger House 9:30-11:30

5th Grade Field Trip to VSU

30th - Falcon Gathering, 8:30 a.m.

30th - Historical Society presentation with

4th Grade 1:00-2:30

30th - 6th grade Pine Wood Derby 6:00 p.m.

May

4th - Staff Appreciation Week

5th - Kindergarten Parent Math Night 5-6pm

6th - Spring Concert (gr. 3 & 4 general music, beginning & intermediate band, 4-6 chorus)

8th Miss Lucy Native American Education 8:30-2:30.



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10:00-11:00 a.m.

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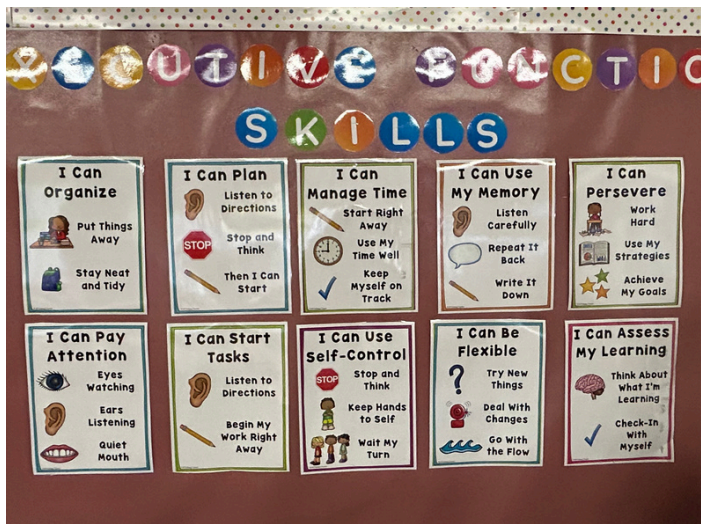
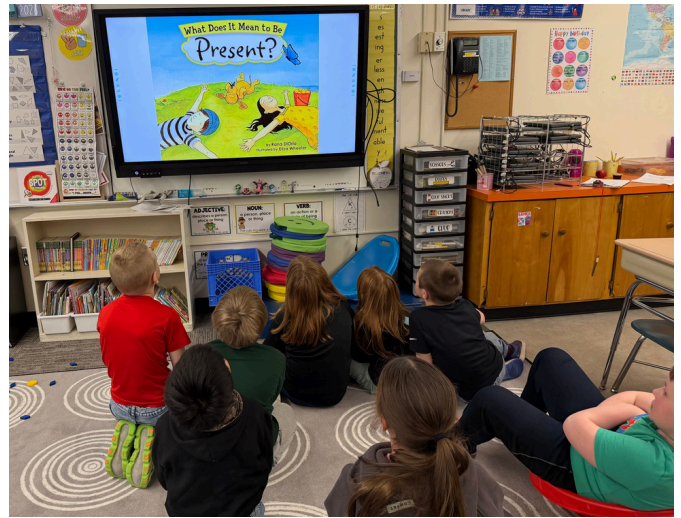
High

School



Grade 2

Our 2nd graders have been learning about executive functioning skills, or the “brain skills” that help them manage their thinking, behavior, and emotions. Students have been practicing how to stay organized, improve their focus, and plan efficiently, and soon will be working on getting started on tasks independently and approaching new learning with confidence. They are also working on managing emotions and strengthening self-control when facing challenges. These skills are important for success in school and beyond, and we are proud of their growth.



Preschool

Play-dough is an excellent tool for learning and playing in preschool. The children practice fine motor skills by rolling, pinching, pulling, and using tools. They practice asking and responding to questions with peers and recognizing shapes, colors, numbers, and letters using various play-dough tools. It is also easy to make at home. We love Play-Dough!



Early Middle Level

Fifth and sixth graders showcased their rhythm, creativity, and sense of humor during an airband performance on the March early release day. This month's theme, humor, inspired students to form groups, select songs, and create entertaining routines. The playlist featured a lively mix of country, classic rock, hip hop, pop hits, and even TV show themes.

Students worked collaboratively to choreograph dance moves, design sets, and create their own instruments, demonstrating both creativity and teamwork. The event was filled with energy, encouragement, and fun for everyone involved.

Beyond the performances, students practiced important life skills such as compromise, negotiation, and conflict resolution. Teachers were especially proud of the courage students showed in stepping up and performing in front of an audience—an experience that will support their confidence for years to come.



Student Support Center

Fixed Mindset vs Growth Mindset

A "Mindset" is the way we think about learning and challenges.

A FIXED MINDSET is when someone believes, "I can't do this" or "I'm just not good at it." When someone thinks this way, they may give up quickly or feel frustrated when something is hard. This can have a negative impact on learning and behavior.

A GROWTH MINDSET is when someone believes, "I can't do this yet," or "I can get better with practice." People with a growth mindset understand that mistakes help the brain grow and that effort leads to learning. Mistakes are part of learning.

You can support growth mindset at home by:

- Praising EFFORT, not focusing on results
- Encouraging children to try and to try again if something is difficult or tricky
- Using words like - YET, PRACTICE, KEEP TRYING
- Talk about mistakes as learning opportunities

When children learn to believe in their ability to do things, they are more confident and resilient. An excellent resource for children is A Little Spot of Optimism by Diane Alber. The Little Spot books are used widely throughout FHGS. Ask your child to tell you about them!!

For more information, check out - www.mylearningtools.org





PE Highlights!

Our FHGS students did an amazing job during our climbing unit! It was awesome to see so many students step out of their comfort zones, try something new, and keep pushing themselves each day.

What really stood out was the effort and attitude students were encouraging each other, setting goals, and not giving up even when things felt challenging. You could really see their confidence grow with every climb.

I'm so proud of how supportive and positive everyone was throughout the unit. Great work, everyone!

Check out these amazing moments from the climbing unit!



Spring Drama & Music Performances coming soon!

Over the past month and a half, 70 students in grades 1-6 have been busy bringing stories to life as they prepare for our spring drama productions—and we can't wait to share them with you! This season, students are performing in three fantastic shows:

Peter Pan – Join Peter Pan and friends on a magical adventure to Neverland in this abridged version of Peter Pan! You'll see favorite characters like Wendy, Tinker Bell, and the infamous Captain Hook take the stage.

Dolly the Polka-Dotted Llama – Dolly may feel different, but her one-of-a-kind style turns out to be exactly what saves the day in this heartwarming story!

Talent Show Trouble – It's the big day, and everyone has a talent... except Kylee (or so she thinks!). When things start to go hilariously wrong, she just might be the hero of the show!

Spring Drama Show Dates:

- Dolly the Polka-Dotted Llama & Talent Show Trouble: **Wednesday, April 15th**
- Peter Pan: **Thursday, April 16th**

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: School Cafeteria

**Come cheer on our amazing student performers—
you won't want to miss the fun, laughter, and a little bit of magic!**

May 6th- Spring Concert - Grades 3 & 4 general music, beginning & intermediate band, 4-6 chorus

Time: 6:30 PM **Location:** Gymnasium





YOU ARE INVITED



CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT PLAN, PARENT FAMILY ENGAGEMENT, AND SCHOOL COMPACT MEETING

Your Input Matters to Us!

WHAT WILL BE DISCUSSED?

- ✓ We will review and seek input on our continuous improvement plan for the 2026-2027 school year.
- ✓ We will review and seek input on our parent family engagement policy
- ✓ We will review and seek input on our home-school compact.

WHEN AND WHERE?

- 🌐 Wednesday, May 13th, 5:00-5:30 p.m.
at the FHGS PTO monthly meeting
- 🌐 FHGS Learning Center

