# FRANKLIN FLASH • April 8, 2026





2025-2026 Battle of the Books Participants

## FRANKLIN SCHOOLS

Established 1978

- ☑ **Vision:** Known nationally as the premier school in academic excellence.
- ☑ **Mission:** To educate students in a positive learning environment with high expectations and an accelerated curriculum

## W.O.W. -- Word of the Week

Week of April 6 **- vacillate**
Week of April 13 **- acrimony**
Week of April 20 **- gluttonous**

**April Skill of the Month**

**Motivation**

## Registration

REMINDER

Registration is now open for the 2026-2027 school year.

**All students must be registered online, including incoming Kindergartners.**

Go to your Parent Portal to complete the registration.

## AASA - State Testing Information

**Arizona Academic Standards Assessment**

- Thursday, April 9 - Gr. 3-6 ELA Part 2
- Friday, April 10 - Gr. 3-6 ELA Part 2

In order to increase student success on testing days, we ask that parents ensure students have a good night's sleep, eat a nutritious breakfast, and offer words of encouragement as they leave you that day.

Please make these dates on your calendar and schedule any medical or dental appointments in the afternoon, if possible. **REMEMBER: IF A STUDENT LEAVES DURING A TESTING SESSION, THEIR SCORE WILL BE A ZERO IN THAT SUBJECT AREA!** Working together we can set our students up for success.

**Please talk to your child about doing their best on the AASA.**



# Upcoming Events

**Friday, April 10 – BY NOON!**
- Yearbook Order Deadline!
- See the flyer below for information

**Friday, April 17**
- FPO Meeting - 1:30 pm

**Saturday, April 18**
- Book Fair - 8:30 am to 11:00 am

**Tuesday, April 21**
- Firebird Store
- Arts and Letters Night 6:00 pm

**CLEAR BAG PROTOCOL**

**Friday, April 24**
- Student Council Meeting - 7:30 am
- Student Council Folder/Pencil Sale

**Thursday, April 30**
- 3rd Grade Band/Orchestra Recruiting Event - 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

**Monday, May 4**
- Spring Sing 6:00 pm - Mesa High School

**CLEAR BAG PROTOCOL**

**Wednesday, May 6**
- Orchestra Concert - 6:00 pm -Brimhall

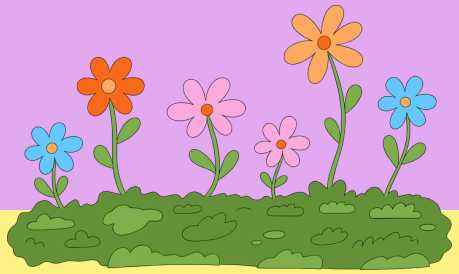
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**Thursday, May 7**
- Firebird Store
- Band Concert - 6:00 pm - Brimhall

**CLEAR BAG PROTOCOL**

**Friday, May 8**
- Science Fair - 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm Multipurpose Room

**CLEAR BAG PROTOCOL**



# JOKE OF THE WEEK

**Why did the boy sit on his watch?**

**He wanted to be on time!**




Submitted by
Ms. Strebeck
Crossing Guard

# Cafeteria Champions

Each week a grade level earns the right to be the Cafeteria Champion. This is earned by students being respectful, sitting quietly, and keeping their area clean. Champions are announced each Friday and the grade level that earns this right is allowed to sit with whomever they choose for the following week.

**Congratulations to**

**3rd Grade - April 6 - April 10**



# Battle of the Books

## Team 3 Triumphs in the Battle of the Books!

The pages have been turned, the final questions have been answered, and our last Battle of the Books competition has come to an exciting close!

For their final battle, our dedicated readers faced off in Battle #3, testing their knowledge on the following titles:



- Wonder by R.J. Palacio
- Poppy by Avi
- Pictures of Hollis Woods by Patricia Reilly Giff
- Castle in the Attic by Elizabeth Winthrop

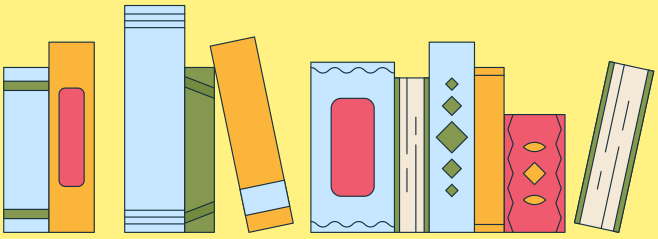
A massive **CONGRATULATIONS to Team 3**:
**Saya Miele, Samil Baez Estevez, and Emmery Gershkowitz!**

Not only did they claim first place in Battle #3, but they also secured the title of Overall Winners for this year's Battle of the Books!

The reading journey doesn't stop here for these champions. Team 3 will be proudly representing our school at the District Semifinals on April 22nd.
To prepare for this next level of competition, they will be stepping up to the ultimate challenge: answering questions drawn from all 12 books they have read this year.



Good luck, Saya, Samil, and Emmery—
we are all incredibly proud of your hard work and we'll be cheering you on!



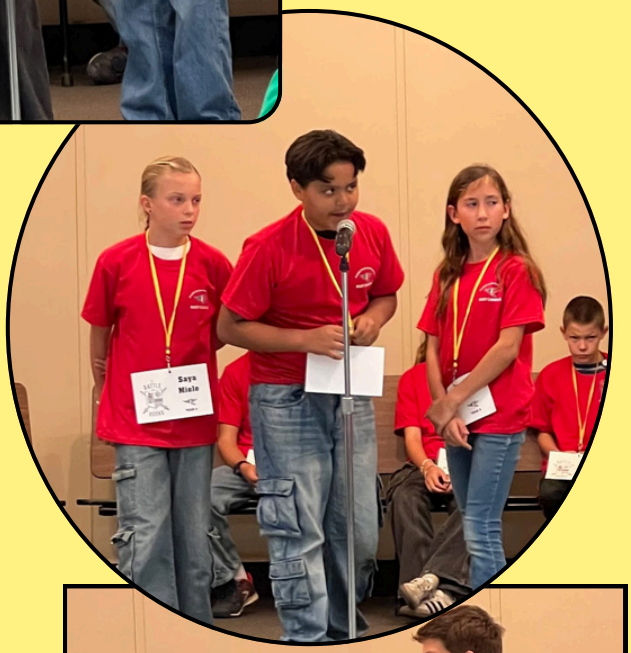
# Battle of the Books Teams in Action



















Congratulations!

on a job well done!

DON'T FORGET

ORDER DEADLINE -- FRIDAY, APRIL 10 AT 12:00 NOON

# YEARBOOK SALE!

## KEEP THE MEMORIES!

$15

**Order online or pay in the front office. Scan the QR Code or visit:**

http://franklineastfpo.org/product/yearbook/

**Order Deadline: April 10th, 12 PM**

***REMINDER: 6th grade students receive a free yearbook as a gift from the FPO.**






FRANKLIN ACCELERATED ACADEMY EAST CAMPUS 2025-2026

# BOOK FAIR

## BUY ONE

## GET ONE FREE!



April 18 8:30-11:00 AM

Franklin A.A. East Campus Multipurpose Room

# WORD OF THE WEEK

Week of April 6

# vacillate

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***DEFINITION:***

Vacillate is a verb that means to alternate between different opinions or actions; indecisive.

***SENTENCE:***

When deciding between the cookie and the cupcake, the child would vacillate because he wanted both.

**Related words - vacillated, vacillating, vacillation, vacillator, vacillatory**

# WORD OF THE WEEK

Week of April 13

# acrimony

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**DEFINITION:**

Acrimony is a noun that means a rough and bitter manner or a bad feeling toward someone or something.

**SENTENCE:**

They were able to solve the disagreement on the playground without acrimony so everyone was still friends.

Related words - acrimonious, acrimoniously, acrimonies

# WORD OF THE WEEK

Week of April 20

# gluttonous

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**DEFINITION:**

Gluttonous is an adjective that means excessively greedy and is often used referring to food.

**SENTENCE:**

A gluttonous uncle ruined the experience for everyone else when he left nothing on the dinner table for the rest of the family to eat.

**Related words - glutton, gluttonize, gluttonized, gluttonously**