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FMS Staff Insider

December 30th, 2017

Fulton Middle School



Educating, Engaging, Empowering ALL Learners at Escalating Levels

Happy
New Year

2018

We're rolling out the red carpet for our annual FMS New Year Party! Bring out those prom dresses, tuxes, suits or glitz and glam as we celebrate another year of awesome at FMS!

January 3rd, 2018

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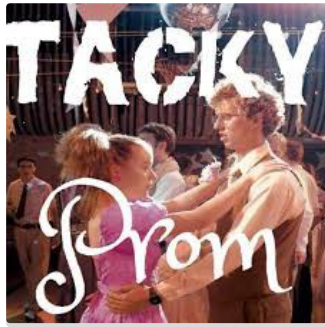
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Why Teaching Middle School ROCKS!

Six Good Reasons Why Mi...

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In her first post at "It's Not Easy Being Tween," veteran middle school teacher Cheryl Mizerny shares the special tween qualities that fulfill her every day.



January 3-5th

Wednesday: New Year Party, PBIS Booster Day, Team Wednesday (Review, Objective Sheet Template, Grading), 3:45-4:45-Managing the Middle: Trauma Informed Practices

Thursday: Houf-admin meeting

Friday: Grades due before you leave

FMS Week at a Glance

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Advisory Updated

Advisory Calendar

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Looking Ahead



January Dates

- Problem Solving Team will now meet on Mondays from 12:45-1:45 in Hogan's office.
- FMS Blood Drive, January 12th
- Stepping up for Success-8th grade career day/looking ahead, January 19
- Wednesdays from 3:45-4:45, Managing the Middle in the library. Tips and tools to help with managing the middle school classroom. (also counts as CEU's)
- No school January 15
- January Staff Meeting January 17th 3:35-4:35 (no managing the middle on this date)
- PD Jan 29-30



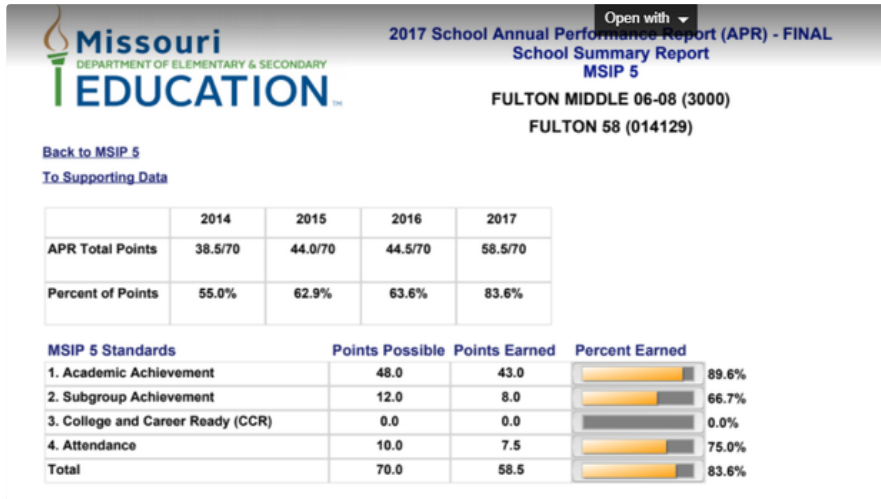
8th Grade Weightlifting

FHS athletics is working to offer weightlifting in January and February for our 8th graders. We are working on securing a bus and then I can send out the schedule. At this time, we are hoping to start Monday, January 8th. Students would be bused over Mondays-Thursdays after school and need to be picked up at 5:15 at FHS. To be eligible to participate, students must maintain grades of C or higher, 90% attendance at school, and attend weights each day unless there is an excused absence.

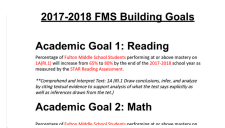
Update on Annual Performance Report: Shared With Parents

Each year, the state releases a performance report for districts and schools. On December 15, our school report became official for the year. I wanted to take a moment to share this information with you. It is split into academic achievement based on MAP testing and attendance. Points are given for status, progress and growth. This is one of the reasons I share attendance data with you. We have to have 90% of our kids here 90% of the time for us to reach the total points for that area. Why this number? Research shows that students that miss more than 10% of school struggle to retain information and then have a harder time later in school. They also are at a disadvantage to their peers that are here more than 90% of the time. This is a continual battle that we struggle with each day. Right now, we are sitting at about 87% of our students here 90% of the time. What can you do to help? Make sure that your middle schooler attends school every day unless she/he is sick or there is a family emergency.

Overall, we are not where we want to be yet, but we are *far* from where we were. To go from 55% to 83% in three years is something to celebrate. I am proud to work with such dedicated staff, students and families. We will continue to work to educate, empower and engage all learners at escalating levels to help our kids be ready for a world that is ever changing. Thank you again for all that you do!



FMS Goal Updates



2017-2018 FMS Building G...

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Attendance Goals

- ADA is 95.1400% (goal is 95%)
- 90% of Students here 90% of the Time is 86.8% (goal is 90%)

PBIS Updates

Positive Office Referrals: 2878
Office Discipline Referrals: 672
Ratio 4.28:1

Our building goal for positive behavior is to decrease our ODRs by 25% by the end of the school year. 1350 is the magic number to stay below.

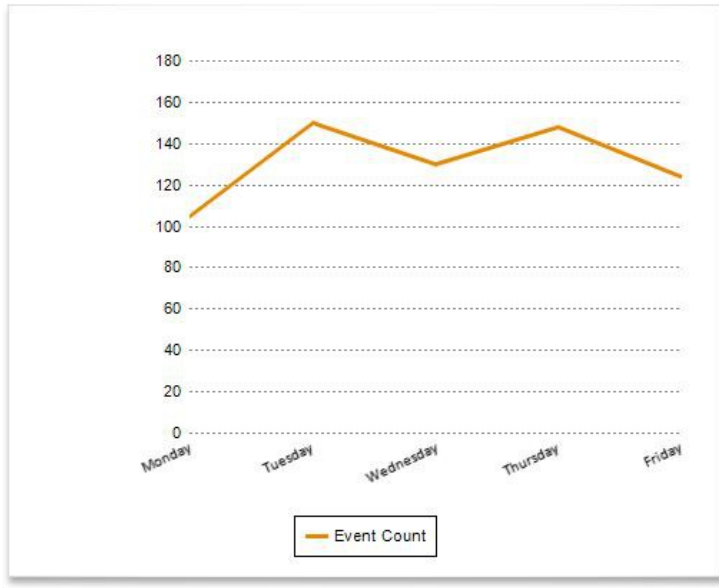
Below you will find a direct link to our flow chart that maps out the office managed vs classroom managed behaviors. This semester we need to work to do a better job of following the flow chart with minor and major behaviors. If you send in a minor, do not worry, Hogan will come by to visit with flowchart in hand.

[Flowchart \(Click on Me\)](#)

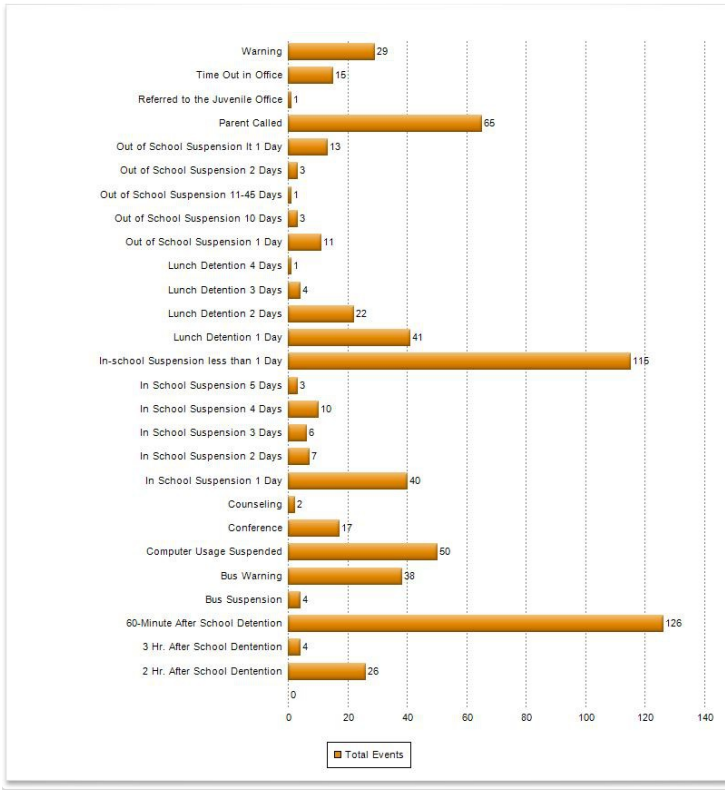
Tardy Changes for the New Year

Tardies this semester will be logged as minors. Please log tardies as minors per class and refer as a major when student hit 3 minors to your class in one week. This will allow us to identify which class students are chronically tardy to and hone in how we can help support that student.

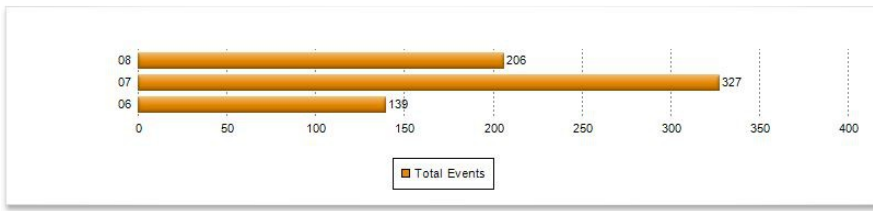
Referrals by Day



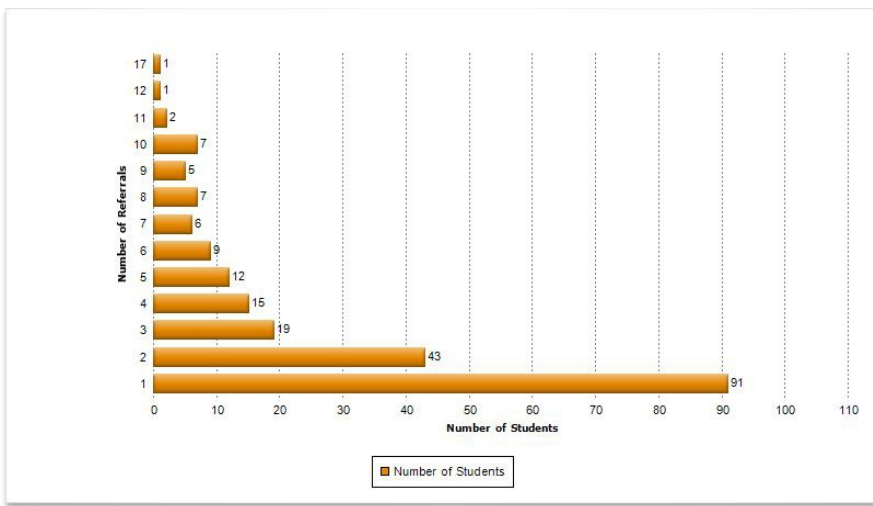
Action Taken



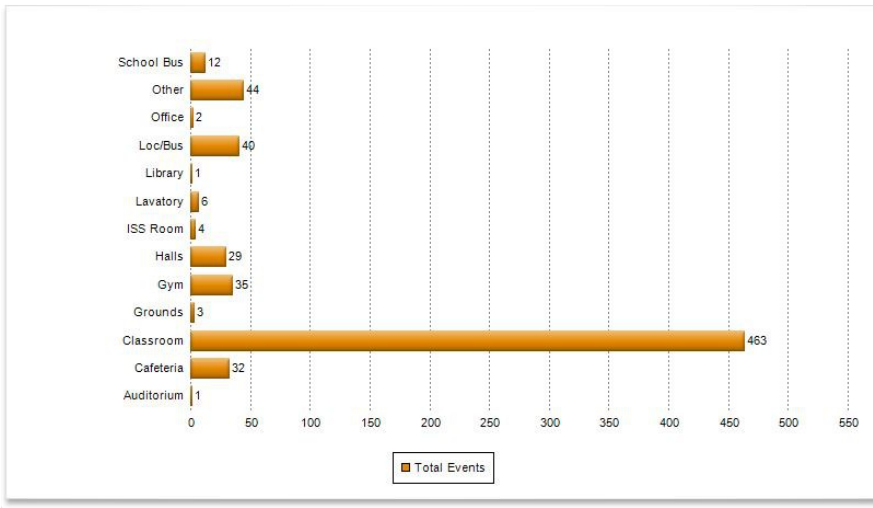
By Grade



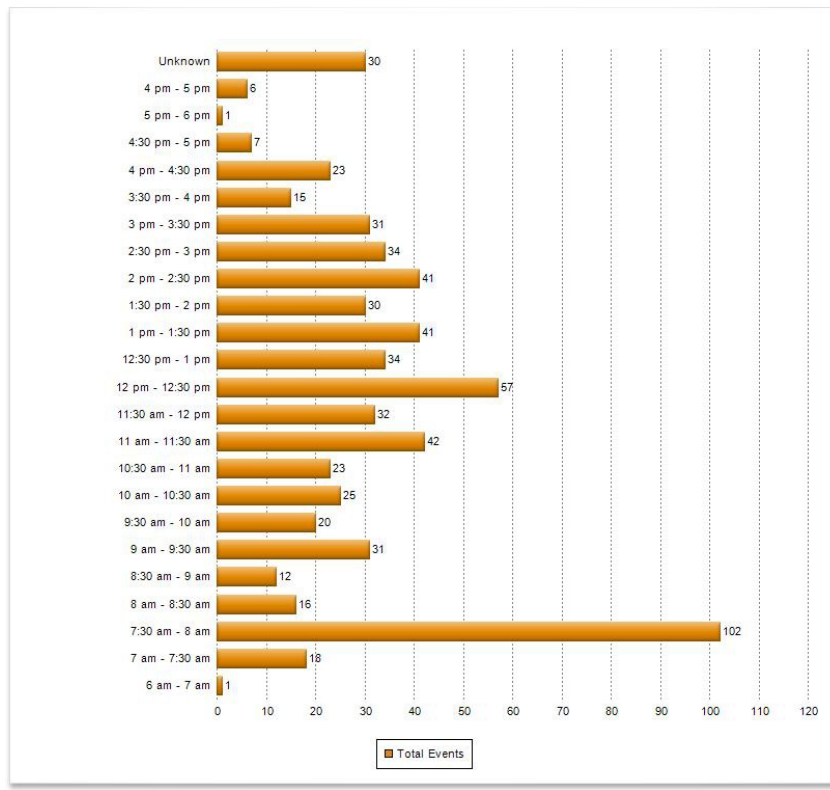
Multiple Referrals per Student



Where it all goes down

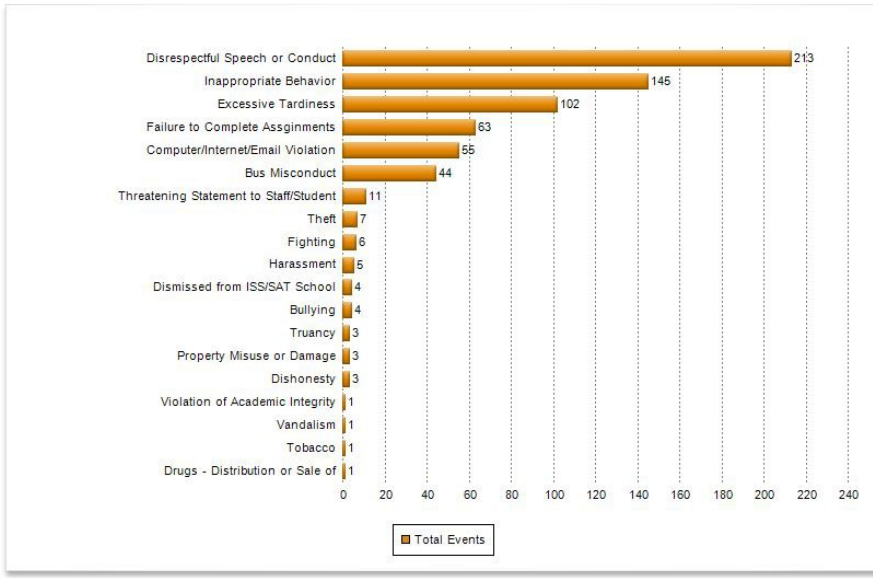


Time of Day

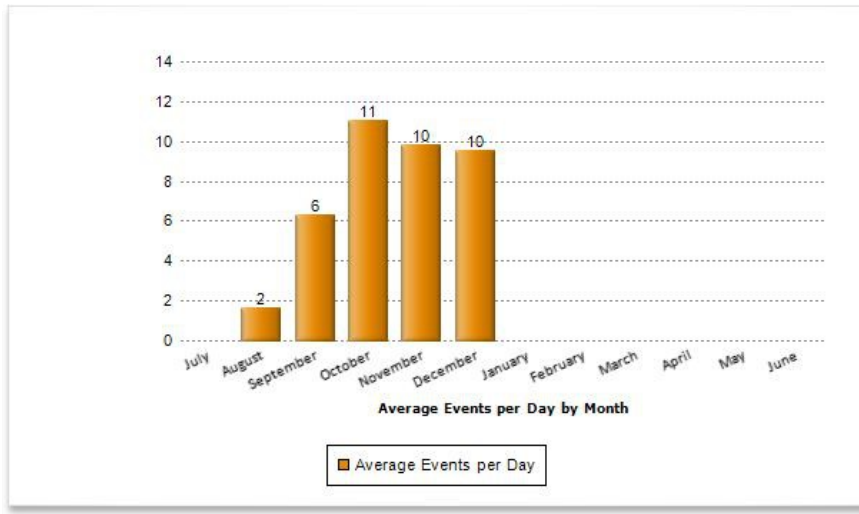


Problem Behavior





Average Per Day by Month



School Name	Teacher Name	Asian	Black	Hispanic	Multi-Racial	Native Amer/Eskimo	Male	Female	Total Referrals
Totals for School		4 (0.6%)	101 (15.0%)	23 (3.4%)	40 (6.0%)		542 (80.7%)	130 (19.3%)	672
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8 Things I Know for Sure ... www.cultofpedagogy.com

I never planned to teach middle school. But once I started, I never looked back. And I became an expert on the idiosyncrasies of sixth, seventh, and eighth



7 Creative Ways to Reach ... www.weareteachers.com

Wondering how you can reach middle school students? They're in that tricky time between kid and teen, but we have you covered with these ideas and tricks.



The Art of Managing Midd... www.edutopia.org

Edutopia blogger Ben Johnson offers up tricks of the trade for managing middle school kids.



12 mindsets for cre... ditchthattextbook.com.convey.pro

Our mindsets can affect the experiences our students have in our classes and how they feel about our subject and us as teachers. Effective ones can have great

How to Keep Connected at FMS

Check out the links below. Our website has daily announcements and the events calendar linked so that you can be in the know at all times.



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