



# The Ambassador

Freedom 7 Elementary School of International Studies  
An International Baccalaureate World School



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## Principal's Message



Dear families,

Our **Thankful Newsletter** is coming along. We have over 50 members of our family that have sent their "thankful fors". If you haven't, there is still time. Many are worth repeating! 😊

family, Freedom 7, our kids, friends, teamwork, nurses, artists, community, education, faith, health, hope, Mrs. Curtis, my glasses, caffeine, balance, Mrs. Mott, co-workers, books, humor, Mrs. Lau, kindness, Mrs. Rogers, What are you *thankful* for? patience, principals, teachers, Mrs. Wells, food service, custodians, support staff, teammates, understanding, positivity, support, first responders, Friday food, children, balance, freedom, healing, diversity, Corporal Kent, my humor, family, pets, Universe, Ms. Finkel, understanding, sunshine, friends, Mrs. Nardelli, Mrs. Brennan, home, parents, safety, love, kindness, Mrs. Evangelista, nice teachers...

Please take a moment, with your family, to complete this super short **ONE WORD** google form and be part of our **Thankful Newsletter**!

<https://forms.gle/Bmad8FCLenc3N79R9>

I know we have more than this. 😊

**Please be sure to be informed about the Sales Surtax Renewal and it's impact on Freedom 7.**

Click here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q5qQVbHPizk>

Smiles!

Kathy Lott



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Freedom 7 Elementary School of International Studies, an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme School, provides a quality public education with a rigorous and relevant transdisciplinary curriculum. Students are encouraged to become critical and open-minded thinkers, lifelong learners and compassionate world citizens who respect cultural diversity and take action to better our world.

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It's Time to Renew  
for the 2021-2022  
School Year

**CLICK HERE TO RESERVE**  
**YOUR CHILD'S SEAT**

Oct 1 - Oct 30



# Red Ribbon Week Activities

Monday ~ Red Ribbon Week History

Tuesday - I Can Say No To Drugs ~ classroom canned food drive, e-learners may donate directly to a local pantry

Wednesday ~ Sock It To Drugs - wear crazy socks

Thursday ~ Stick To A Healthy Lifestyle ~ sticky note mural

Friday ~ Theme Day ~ students may wear a red, hero, or superhero character shirt (no costumes), and participate in Freedom 7's virtual presentation



Red Ribbon Week  
October 23-31



Days of the Week

October 26 — October 30

Monday — Day 6

Tuesday — Day 1

Wednesday — Day 2

Thursday — Day 3

Friday — Day 0

## COVID INFO

Several parents have asked about COVID testing and which test acceptable if your child has symptoms and/or is sent home by a BPS school clinic to quarantine due to symptoms. A negative viral Covid-19 test must be a PCR and not a Rapid Antigen test.



FREEDOM 7 ELEMENTARY



# E Learner Materials Pick Up & Picture day



Tuesday, November 3, 2020  
9:15-10:30  
EAST Car Loop (Side Entrance)

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MAKE THIS  
TIME, CALL THE FRONT OFFICE AND  
SCHEDULE A TIME FOR THE WEEK OF  
OCTOBER 26TH 321-868-6610  
\*MAKE UP PICTURE DAY TBD



VERY IMPORTANT information about when you can participate in eLearning if you are attending school in-person on a regular basis:

Due to the COVID19 situation, we are requesting that our families keep their student home if they are sick. The only time a student should switch to eLearning is if they are out due to an illness, unless they are making the official transition to eLearning. We are getting a lot of phone calls of parents wanting their student to do eLearning for an individual day or while traveling. Students may go on eLearning if they are too sick to attend school, but well enough to do eLearning. **Students that have been checked out or are not attending due to other commitments, such as a family trip/vacation or appointment, may not participate in eLearning but are able to make up the work when they return to school.** Students may, however, log into their google classroom and work on any assignments that are posted there while out if they know how. Again, this is not required as they will be given make up days for the time they are out. Please note that **first time** eLearners may have difficulty logging in at home initially (many eLearners did the first few days of school). These concerns should be sent to Mr. McCutchan, our tech specialist, for troubleshooting so that class instruction is not interrupted.



#### Mission

To serve every student with excellence as the standard.

#### Vision

Brevard Public Schools will serve our community and enhance students' lives by delivering the highest quality education in a culture of dedication, collaboration, & learning.



MODEL PLC  
SCHOOL

# Sales Surtax Renewal

Important information on the November 3rd ballot!

Projected  
Work

**\$2.2 Million**

## Freedom 7 Elementary

### Facilities

**\$1.9 Million**

HVAC – Classroom DX Units  
Paint Interior and Exterior  
Classroom Cabinets  
Classroom Furniture  
Classroom LED Lighting  
Replace Playground

### Educational Technology

**\$196,700**

AC for Tech Rooms  
Computers  
Data Closets – Connectivity  
Modernize Classroom Technology  
Server Refreshment  
Uninterrupted Power Source  
Wireless Access Points

### Security

**\$92,300**

Security Enhancements

<https://www.brevardschools.org/SurtaxRenewal>

#SurtaxFactsBPS

#YourMoneyAtWorkBPS





**TO ALL OF OUR  
AWESOME READ-A-THON  
PARTICIPANTS!  
YOU SIMPLY AMAZE US!**

## **Freedom 7's 2020 Read-A-Thon Fundraiser is complete!**

**OUR STUDENTS READ FOR OVER 4,200 HOURS IN JUST 2 WEEKS!  
THEY ALSO RECEIVED OVER \$38,000 IN SPONSOR DONATIONS!**

**It's so fun to see students excited & spending extra time **READING!****

This year's Read-A-Thon broke every reading/participation/fundraising record from past years and has raised more than any APT fundraiser EVER!

Our students have earned a **Character Dress Day as well as an extreme science assembly\***!

Congratulations to **Mrs. Freeth** for winning the Top Fundraising Classroom prize. Her class raised over **\$3500** and has earned a class party with a **very special guest reader\***.

Congrats to **Mrs. Falcone's** class for reading more minutes than any other classroom.

Their classroom will also have a fun, in-class learning opportunity for all their hard work.

We'd also like to congratulate **every single teacher for earning a \$100 classroom grant** to spend however they see fit. Great job to all our generous families who helped make it happen.

We'd also like to recognize the following students for being the top readers for their grade:

- Kindergarten - Elizabeth E. (Mott)
- 1st grade - Lauren E. (Haring)
- 2nd grade - Douglas C. (Curtis)
- 3rd grade - Trevor J. (Evangelista)
- 4th grade - Annamarie E. (Falcone)
- 5th grade - Kenny F. (Wells)
- 6th grade - Trent J. (Lau)

**GREAT JOB STUDENTS!!**



### **A Friendly Heads Up on Prizes**

The Read-A-Thon site remains open for donations until next Friday (10/30). If your student is close to earning one of the individual prizes (Crazy Sock Day or Free Dress Day), you have 1 week left. Ribbons & Brag Tags arrived today (10/23) & will be sent home on the next e-Learning pick-up day (11/3) if possible.



**\*Dates for Character Dress Day and Crazy Sock/Free Dress Day will be announced.**  
Please continue to have your student wear their uniform until you hear from us.

# Edgewood Jr./Sr. High School

**A Brevard County School of Choice**



## *Going Beyond Expectations*

- Recorded informational meeting available:  
**November 1**
- Applications: **November 2 – December 2**
- Check the BPS Website:
  - How to Apply
  - General Policies/Admission Procedures
  - Questions & Answers
  - Minimum Admission Requirements
- Application Deadline: **December 2, 2020**
- Lottery: **December 14, 2020**
- Acceptance Deadline – **January 29, 2021**

Edgewood Jr./Sr. High School  
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Point your phone's camera here for more information.



Brevard Public Schools, School Choices website  
[www.brevardschools.org/site/default.aspx?PageID=2381](http://www.brevardschools.org/site/default.aspx?PageID=2381)



Edgewood Jr./Sr. High School Application  
[www.brevardschools.org/Page/11902](http://www.brevardschools.org/Page/11902)