

# Welcome to Framingham Public Schools: A 21<sup>st</sup> Century School District

We are proud of our incredible school system and you should be too! Our diversity - culturally, linguistically, and programmatically, is one of the most special, differentiating aspects of our community. Did you know that our students come from 69 Countries and speak 72 languages? Read on for more helpful information about Framingham Public Schools!



## Schools, Enrollment, and School Choice

- Preschool – 16 District vs. most Districts are K-12
- One Preschool | Nine Elementary Schools (ES) | Three Middle Schools (MS) | One High School (HS) | One Alternative High School campus
- Student Enrollment: 9,112
  - BLOCKS: 285
  - Elementary: 4,443
  - Middle: 1,865
  - FHS: 2,244 (Thayer: 52)
  - Tuition Out / Accept: 223
- 85.4% of graduates attend College / Post-Secondary Schools
- School Choice in Kindergarten (during Formal Kindergarten Registration)
  - Sibling Preference
  - Home District Preference
  - First Choice (and on)
- School Choice in Grades 1 - 5 (based on seat availability)
  - Sibling Preference
  - Home District Preference
  - First Choice (and on)
- Each of the elementary schools feed into one of the three middle schools
- New registrations at the middle school level are assigned based on home address and availability
- Parent Information Center (PIC) Staff are multilingual and ready to help new families complete the registration process!

## Testing Stats

- 89% of 10th graders earned Proficient/Advanced on ELA MCAS
- 82% of 10th graders earned Proficient/Advanced on Math MCAS
- FHS 10th grade high needs students outperformed the state on Math MCAS, in both achievement and growth
- FHS 10th grade students with disabilities outperformed the state on Math MCAS, in both achievement and growth

**Framingham Public Schools is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment.**

## Out of School Time Programs

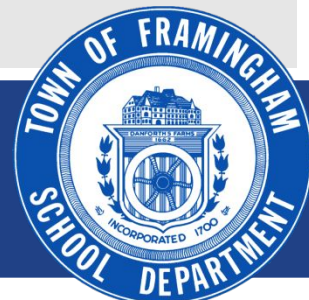
- Before and After School Programs at every school
- Free After-School Middle School Programs at all 3 Middle Schools
- New Middle School Sports Program in SY 2018-19
- Expanded Summer Programs serving 2,000+ students each year
- Youth Employment Programs and afterschool programming at FHS

## Adult ESL

- 37 total classes + 7 volunteer-led Prep classes for 818 Students
- 42 Nations and 26 Languages represented
- 29 Volunteers
- 18 Prep Class leaders and 11 In-Class Aides

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## Programs and Services

- Dual Language Programs (Spanish): BLOCKS, Brophy (K-1), Barbieri (K-5), Walsh (6-8), FHS (9-12)
- Dual Language Programs (Portuguese): Potter Rd (K-2), Wilson (K-1)
- Gifted and Talented services (ES, MS)
- Focus on STEAM and project-based learning (ES, MS)
- Early College Programming (HS)
- Incredible extra curricular opportunities including student-run TV Studio (HS), Award-Winning Performing Arts programs (HS), and Robotics Program - Qualified and Competed at World Championships (MS, HS)
- Internship Opportunities, Independent Studies, Work-Study Program (HS)
- Framingham Adult ESL Plus (FAESL+), serving area residents since 1984
- Early Childhood Alliance (ECAf): Play Groups, Workshops, Home Program Visits, serviced 45 groups with 268 families and 453 children in the Fuller building in 4th qtr LY.
- Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) Focus through Student Support Services, Restorative Practices (RP), Responsive Classroom (RC), Positive Behavior Interventions Support (PBIS), Panorama Education Surveys, Doc Wayne, The Bridge Program, and more.



- Saxonville Garden at FHS - A student-maintained garden is a high school learning lab and a source for garden-grown produce in the lunchroom.
- Freight Farms Hydroponic Grow Farm at FHS - A fully assembled, vertical hydroponic farming system built inside a 40-ft. shipping container. Will grow lettuces, herbs, and hearty greens at commercial scale in any climate or location.

## District-Wide Initiatives and Tools

- New Fuller Middle School Building Project
- Canvas and Summit (online learning platforms)
- Strong Core Values / Positive Behavior Programs
- Monthly Enrollment Reports (observes monthly trends)
- Collaboration and tracking of all Homeschool curriculum across the District
- Blackboard Connect Messaging System for email, phone, and text communication with families

## Family and Community Engagement

- PTOs at each school and Framingham PTOC
- BPAC - Bilingual Parent Advisory Council
- SEPAC - Special Education Advisory Council
- SAGE - Parent Council

## Fine and Performing Arts

Framingham is renowned for its Performing Arts curriculum and productions. FHS and all three Middle Schools often provide opportunities for younger students to take part in the middle/high productions.

## Parent Information Center (PIC)

Director: Mikaele Neves

Executive Assistant: Violet Hinojosa

Address: 31 Flagg Dr. Door 4A, Framingham, MA 01702

Phone: 508-424-3420

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\*Certain PIC services are available during extended hours on regular school days only. Please call for more information!

## Office Hours:

MON 8:00am-6:00pm\*

TUE 8:00am-4:00pm

WED 8:00am-4:00pm

THU 8:00am-4:00pm

FRI 8:00am-4:00pm

SAT Closed

SUN Closed

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