

Welcome to Jack C.  
**FAUBION**  
MIDDLE SCHOOL



Dr. Jimmy Bowser  
Principal

October 12, 2018

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Assistant Principal  
(Last Names A-G)

Hello Faubion Family,

Roberto Dominguez  
Assistant Principal  
(Last Names H-O)

Well, today marks the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of the 2018-19 school year. We're already mid-way through October and fall has introduced itself by way of much cooler temperatures and of course the typical unpredictable weather. Speaking of weather, I know we have extended Faubion Family all over the world. For those with family in areas affected by recent severe weather, please know that our hearts and minds are with you and your families. Our community service organizations like StuCo, PALS, Teen Leadership, Drill or Cheer will likely conduct a drive in time for our *#LiveKind* pep rally next month to assist those affected by Hurricane Michael. Please stay tuned for those details.

Michael DeMakas  
Assistant Principal  
(Last Names P-Z)

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MISD seeks to collaborate with and support parents in their important role. The P.O.W.E.R. Parenting series is designed to serve parents with children of all ages. Join us to explore strategies to effectively communicate, understand developmental issues, provide positive discipline, and relate to your child in a more affirming manner. Check out our upcoming events: Fall Schedule ([English](#) or [Spanish](#)). Be sure to follow us on Facebook @misdparenting for helpful tools and resources.

On Saturday, October 13, the McKinney ISD Substance Use Prevention Committee will host "***Bedrooms, Backpacks and Beyond***," a workshop the committee introduced last year as a resource for parents. The workshop is geared toward parents to provide information and resources to keep their kids safe. You will learn about substance use trends and coping strategies that can be used with your children. Our goal is that you leave the event feeling informed and ready to help your family stay safe. The event is free and offers childcare for ages 5-11. In addition to the scheduled activities, *Bedrooms, Backpacks, and Beyond* will feature interactive learning displays from community partners, mental health professionals, and law enforcement. Parents are invited to come and go as desired. Location: McKinney North High School from 8:15 am until 12pm. We hope to see you there!

I want to make sure to remind you all that today, Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> is the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. Any student who lost their UIL eligibility has an opportunity to regain their eligibility today at 4pm. For those parents who are new to middle school, we don't mail or send home the nine-page report cards like elementary schools. Our report cards are posted in the Home Access Center (HAC). They should be posted by Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.



Invitations for the *Lion's Pride* and *Faubion Merit Scholar* award programs will be mailed as soon as grades are finalized and verified by the teachers. We're aiming to mail them October 19<sup>th</sup>, but technology sometimes has a surprise in store for us. For those new to Faubion, Lion's Pride recipients provide the model for all students as they demonstrate the Six Pillars of Character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship. Lion's Pride winners exhibit character both inside and outside the classroom, complete homework, have a good attitude, are respectful, are willing to learn and try their best every day. In other words, Lion's Pride is the gold standard of personal excellence. Students are nominated by their teachers and can only receive this award one time each year. Faubion Merit Scholar is an honor to recognize individual students for their outstanding academic achievement. Merit Scholar recipients exhibit academic excellence in all subjects with a 93 or above average in all classes each quarter. These students are recognized for their hard work and diligence at this advanced level of mastery and achievement. The first Lion's Pride/Merit Scholar ceremony will be held on Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> in the FMS Auditorium.

We want to thank you all for making sure your Lion was here for picture day. We had about 97% of our students in attendance for picture day. **Picture retake day is November 2<sup>nd</sup>**. The clubs and organizations will take their picture on November 14<sup>th</sup>. By the way, you can still get your yearbook for the low price of just \$35 if your order by November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Also, please remember that you have the opportunity purchase a picture package. We have negotiated packages with them to fit every budget. For more information about school pictures or yearbooks, you can contact our Yearbook Teacher, Ms. Tina Marshall at [TMarshall@mckinneyisd.net](mailto:TMarshall@mckinneyisd.net). You can also visit [www.mylifetouch.com](http://www.mylifetouch.com) and enter code TX038076Q0.

Our Counselors have continued with our push this year to #LiveKind. This month, the guidance lessons will be focused on empathy. The lessons will be covered during classroom warm-ups, through morning announcements and through displays in the building created by Faubion students. \*Please remember to use and promote our hashtags #Misdliveskind, #fmsliveskind, and #Faubionliveskind. If you catch your child being kind, please snap a picture! Share it with his/her counselor (or @CounselorsFMS) so that we can give your student a shout out on Twitter and/or our website!

The cookie dough and other ordered items will be available for pick up on **Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, beginning at 3pm**. We will be set up in the cafeteria, so please pull around to the west side of the school (Hollis Street) and enter through the cafeteria. We do not have access to a freezer to store items this year, so **all items MUST be picked up on November 1<sup>st</sup>**. Our fundraiser prizes begin next week, weather permitting. The BMX show and BINGO with prizes is currently set for Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 2pm-3:30pm. The Ultimate Challenge and field trip to PINSTACK are set for Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:15am (@Ron Poe), then we leave for lunch, fun and games at PINSTACK in Allen, TX at 11:30. Again, all outside prizes are subject to weather permitting.



At Faubion, we take academics very seriously. We realize that sometimes students need additional assistance and for that reason our teachers have designed tutorial days and times. It's important to us to eliminate any inconveniences that prohibit or hinder a child's ability to attend tutorials. Therefore, we want to make sure that our parents know that we offer tutorial buses afterschool on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The bus will pick up students behind the cafeteria at 4:30pm and drop them off at the elementary school nearest their home. Please talk with your child about this great opportunity to extend or enhance their learning. The bus is free of charge to students and is available to all students. The tutorial bus will continue every Tuesday and Thursday throughout the year until mid-May.

It's that time of year again to begin recruiting our next crew of UIL Champions. There are many categories for UIL Teams. As you may know, Faubion takes great pride in the fact that we have won the UIL Academic Championship the last six years in a row! Last year Cockrill MS got a little closer than we were comfortable with, so this year we are asking for your help in recruiting a team that will take us to a 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive championship. If you'd like to know more information about our UIL Academic Teams, visit <http://www.faubionmiddleschool.com/academic-uil.html>. There you can find the available teams, Coaches to contact and a brief description of each event. For other information, please contact UIL Academic Team Head Coach Ms. Sherry Morris at [SMorris@mckinneyisd.net](mailto:SMorris@mckinneyisd.net).

### Join Our PTO

The Faubion PTO is an integral part of the success of our school. Each year our PTO provides back to school supplies, lunches/snacks and volunteers to make copies for our teachers, and offers convenient and low cost solutions to purchasing PE clothes and school supplies for our students, and provide volunteers to operate our school store *The Lion's Den* among many other things. We invite EVERY parent to join our PTO. To learn more about our PTO, join our PTO or sign up for volunteer opportunities, please visit <http://faubionpto.weebly.com>.

That's it for this week. Have a wonderful weekend!

Your Partner in Education,  
Dr. Jimmy Bowser, Principal  
Faubion Middle School

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**The Mane Events:**

- 10/12/18 FMS Choir 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade (only) Fall concert, FMS Auditorium, 6pm  
FMS Band Boyd 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Night
- 10/13/18 *Bedrooms, Backpacks & Beyond* @ McKinney North HS  
FMS Orchestra Six Flags Trip
- 10/15/18 Fundraiser Prize Day (BMX Show & BINGO starting @2pm)  
FMS Cross Country District Meet @ Cockrill, 5pm
- 10/16/18 FMS 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football vs Scott Johnson MS @ Ron Poe Stadium, 5:30pm  
FMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football vs Scott Johnson MS @ McKinney North HS, 5:30pm
- 10/17/18 FMS Advanced Theatre Show Performance – *Snow Angel*
- 10/18/18 FMS 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball vs Prosper Rogers MS @ Faubion MS, 5pm  
FMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball vs Prosper Rogers MS @ Rogers MS, 5pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report Cards posted in Home Access Center (HAC)
- 10/19/18 Fundraiser Prize Day Ultimate Challenge & PINSTACK (Allen, TX)  
FMS Advanced Theatre Show Performance – *Snow Angel*
- 10/20/18 FMS Choir Optional Social to Six Flags, 9am-7pm  
FMS Orchestra Regions Audition @ Allen HS  
**MISD ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR**
- 10/22/18 **MISD PARENT CONFERENCE DAY – NO SCHOOL**  
FMS Band All-District Band Auditions, @ Dowell MS
- 10/23/18 FMS 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football vs Cockrill MS @ Ron Poe Stadium, 5:30pm
- 10/24/18\*** FMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football vs Cockrill MS @ MISD Stadium & CEC, 5:30pm **\*CHANGED**
- 10/25/18 FMS 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball vs Prosper Reynolds MS @ Faubion MS, 5pm  
FMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball vs Prosper Reynolds MS @ Reynolds MS, 5pm
- 10/27/18 FMS 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball District B & C Team Tourney @ Dowell MS, TBA  
FMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball District B & C Team Tourney @ Evans MS, TBA
- 10/29/18 FMS Band MISD Band Night
- 10/30/18 FMS 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football vs Prosper Rogers MS @ Rogers, 5:30pm  
FMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football vs Prosper Rogers MS @ Ron Poe Stadium, 5:30pm
- 11/1/18 Cookie dough and other fundraiser items available for pickup at 3pm (cafeteria)
- 11/2/18 Picture Retakes at FMS. See our website for more information  
Lion's Pride & Merit Scholar Award Ceremony @3pm, FMS Auditorium
- 11/9/18\*** **#FMSLIVESKIND PEP RALLY @ 2PM – PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND \*CHANGED**