

Farragut Middle School
PTSA Parent Meeting
Wednesday, March 12, 2025 8:30 am
[Virtual Link](#)

I. PTSA Announcements

- Upcoming Events
 - Multi Cultural Book Fair - Hillside Small Gym 8:30am-3pm
 - 3/12 5-8pm “Celebrating Your Freedom to Read”
 - 3/13 3-5pm author panel and book signing featuring Rio Cortez, Veera Hiranandani and Sheela Chari
 - Used Book Fair - Volunteers needed bit.ly/UBF25
 - Fun Run - May 4th - launching Monday, 3/10 (add links)
 - 8th grade end of year - parent volunteers needed - need a committee to plan the event as well

- Volunteering opportunities for parents
 - Used Book Fair Volunteers needed bit.ly/UBF25 - Please volunteer to work and make sure to attend
 - Muffin Mondays - please bring muffins on the first Monday of each month to your children’s school to show appreciation to the staff. They can be home made or purchased.

II. Behavior Expectations

- Collaboration of expectations between the school and home
- Importance of school and home collaboration. Reinforcement at home and school. How we use technology, how we speak, behave, etc.

III. FMS Technology

- Collaboration of expectations between the school and home
 - AI, VPNs, using Chromebooks at lunch, etc
 - Not using Chromebooks on an individual basis
 - Tech team response
 - 2-3 workarounds a day are shared with the admin team
 - The admin team appreciates the flagging of workarounds

- Yonder pouches for phones
 - (1) The school wants to move ahead with this quickly. The company is in high demand and hiring more people.
- Relatedly, the school is hoping to implement an executive functioning class for the 6th and 7th graders
- Chromebooks at lunch/recess
 - 6th graders can put Chromebooks into their backpacks, so it's not as much of an issue for them
 - 5th graders – working with teachers who require the students to have them for the classes after lunch to look for ways to reduce the need for them in their classrooms; continue to work on solutions.

IV. Bond

- Final determinations on the bond are going to be made and shared later in March
- Need to ensure that the community understands why decisions have been made as to what is being proposed (cost is top of mind)
- There is a lot of misinformation; the community deserves factual information regarding the bond

V. FMS Farragut Wing

- Work continues to progress nicely to have the spaces ready for September
- Classrooms are being reesized - as there was a lot of non-conformity with some being very small and others large. Classrooms in the wing will be of the established standard size (770 sq ft)
- Spaces will have more natural light as a result of the ability to remove the previously built drop ceilings, which prevented the full access to the windows; colors for the space will align with school colors; and the rebuilt space will be a bright space conducive to learning