Farragut Hígh School



Summer News/Notes 2019

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### **Farragut High School Graduating Class**

#### Class of 2019 Highlights

81% of the senior class earned a grade point average of 3.0 or better. 37% earned a 4.0 or better grade point average. 97% of the senior class earned some type of scholarship, with the total amount of scholarship dollars for the Class of 2019 eclipsing \$31 million. These students' achievements extended outside of the school, completing over 25,000 hours of community service.

#### The Class of 2019 includes:

13 National Merit Finalists, 13 National Merit Semi-Finalists, 15 National Merit Commended Scholars, 5 students with perfect ACT scores, and 8 U.S. Presidential Scholar Nominees. The class includes 14 Eagle Scouts, a recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award, and a Distinguished Finalist for the Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

The Farragut High School Class of 2019 includes principal musicians and concertmasters in the Knoxville Youth Symphony Orchestra. The FHS Marching Band was Finalist Band at the Western Carolina University Contest of Champions and Grand Champions at the Alcoa Marching Band Competition, while the Indoor Drumline was a Finalist at the WGI Spartanburg Regional and finished in 2nd place. The Orchestra attended Middle Area Concert Festival and received all superior ratings. In total, the Class of 2019 includes 8 All-State Musicians in Band, Orchestra, and Chorus.

In the World Languages, seniors were named as Gold, Silver, and Bronze medalists on the National French, German, and Spanish Exams. A member of the Class of 2019 was also named a Russian Scholar Laureate, and 21 students received the Volunteer State Seal of Biliteracy, with 8 of those students receiving the Honors Seal.

During the 2018-19 school year, Farragut High School clubs and teams excelled at the state and national level. At the HOSA State Conference, FHS seniors placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Transcultural Health Care competition and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Medical Law and Ethics competition. Mu Alpha Theta, the National Math Honors Society, placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the state and 9th nationally in their annual competition. They also placed 2nd nationally in a Mathematical Minutes video contest. Two FHS teams placed in the top five at the statewide CODE TN competition, the Robotics team competed in the World Robotics competition, and the school's Mock Trial Team placed 6<sup>th</sup> at the State Competition, where a 2019 graduate also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Best Advocate for Defendant competition. At the District 4 Forensics Competition, a member of the Class of 2019 received the Best Actor Award, and several other students were named All-Star Cast Members. The FHS Science Olympiad Team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the state competition and earned medals in 23 different categories, while the Science Bowl Team made it to the Elite Eight of the State Tournament.

The 2018-19 school year was also a very successful one for Admiral Athletics. Senior athletes were members of district championship teams in Boys Soccer, Boys and Girls Golf, and Baseball, and region championship teams in Girls Cross Country, Boys and Girls Golf, Boys Soccer, and Football. The Farragut Dance Team repeated as National Champions in Small Varsity Jazz, placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the nation in Small Varsity Pom, and won state championships in both Small Varsity Jazz and Pom. Girls Cross Country and Boys Golf both finished their seasons as State Runner-ups, and Boys Cross Country placed 7<sup>th</sup> at State. The Boys Track team currently has the #1 ranked 4x800 team in the state, the Baseball team has been ranked as high as 10<sup>th</sup> nationally and will be competing at the State Tournament next week, and the Wrestling team has an athlete who has been nominated for Female Wrestler of the Year.

The class has several students enlisting in the armed services, in addition to students earning service academy appointments and ROTC scholarships.

Finally, in 2018-19, Farragut had 109 AP Scholars, 42 AP Scholars with Honors, 88 AP Scholars with Distinction, and 27 National AP Scholars. This class helped the high school to be recognized as one of the top 15 high schools in the State of Tennessee by US News and World Report's Best American High Schools, and just this week, Farragut High School received STEM School Designation, one of only six high schools in the state with such a designation.

#### **Important Dates:**

July 29	Summer Insanity
August 1	Freshman Day 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM
August 5	First Day for Students (1/2 day)
August 15	Open House 7:00 PM
-	Grade Level Parent Meetings 6:00 PM
September 24	Bearden hosts FHS/HVA/BHS College Fair 5:30 – 7:30
October 7 - 11	Fall Break
Dec 23 - Jan 3	Winter Holidays
January 7	First Day for Students
January 16	Open House 7:00 PM
	Grade Level Parent Meetings 6:00 PM
March 16 – 20	Spring Break
May 16	Graduation
May 21	Last Day for Students (1/2 day)

#### **Important Test Dates:**

October	PSAT
December TBD	Final Exams
May	AP Exams
May TBD	Final Exams

#### Check FHS website for other dates and times

## Farragut High School's 2019 Report Card

http://www.tennessee.gov/education

#### PTSO Goal for 2019-2020

"Bringing parents, teachers and students together to positively impact Farragut High School and the community as a whole."

## **FHS Education Foundation**

The FHS Education Foundation has been established to facilitate community involvement in raising funds for the integration of technology in all areas of curriculum, and to help provide for the general needs of FHS that may not be met by public funding. Please consider making a donation to support our school.

#### **Lottery Scholarships in Tennessee**

- Hope Scholarship / TN Promise
- General Assembly Merit Scholarship
- Supplemental Award (Aspire)
- Access Grant
- Wilder-Naifeh Technical Skills Grant
- More information check out these websites:

http://www.tn.gov/collegepays http://www.tnscholardollars.org

### FANS

**FANS** is **Freshmen and New Students**, a program designed to ease the transition from middle school to high school and to introduce students new to the community to Farragut High School. Mentors who are rising juniors and seniors are assigned to incoming freshmen based on common interests and goals. It is the mentors' responsibility to acclimate new students to all that Farragut has to offer. **FANS** sponsors a number of events throughout the freshman year that build camaraderie among the grade levels.

On **Monday, July 29**, at 2:15 p.m. *FANS* will sponsor a freshmen connection Back to School Celebration. Freshmen will meet their Mentors by the picnic tables to the left of the front entrance. Following this event at 2:30 p.m., Freshmen Summer Insanity begins. **Thursday, August 1**, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., the rising freshmen and students new to Farragut High will meet their mentors in the gymnasium and go through a mock schedule.

There will be a FANS Cookout on the football practice field on Friday, September 27th from 5:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m. There will be food, drink, games and prizes.

## **Summer Office Hours**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Office and the School Counseling Office will be open every Wednesday from June 5<sup>th</sup> to July 17<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. and will close promptly at noon. Regular office hours will begin on July 22, 2019.

Additional School Counseling Office information is available on the Farragut High School website <u>www.farraguths.knoxschools.org</u>

## **Sports Highlights**

FHS Dance Team: TSSAA Double Title State Champions in Jazz and Small Varsity Pom, runner-up at nationals in Small Varsity Pom, back to back National Champions in Small Varsity Jazz division, and 6<sup>th</sup> in Nation in Small Varsity Pom FHS Baseball Team: 2019 State Champions in AAA FHS Cross Country: Girls State Runner-Up; Boys 7<sup>th</sup> Place at State FHS Football: Region 1-6A Champions Girls Golf: Regional and District Team Champions Boys Golf: Individual State Champion, Regional and District Team Champions Volleyball: Advanced to Sectional round of the postseason play Swim & Dive: Placed 16<sup>th</sup> in state meet Sports Highlights continued:

Boys Basketball: Finished 5<sup>th</sup> in District Girls Basketball: Advanced to regional quarterfinal in postseason play Boys Soccer: Regional and District Champions Softball: District Tournament Champions Tennis: Girls finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in region Track & Field: Boys 4x800 finished 3<sup>rd</sup> at State; Boys 4x400 finished 3<sup>rd</sup> at State; Girls 4x800 finished 5<sup>th</sup> at state

## **Sports Tryouts**

Notices for summer tryout for all sports teams will be placed in the Knoxville and Farragut newspapers.

## **Staff School News**

- Laura Austin was the recipient of the 2018-2019 Excellence in Teaching Award
- Knox County 2019 Teacher of the Year Nominees are Laura Austin, Allison Maldonado, Jennifer Krouse, Carrie Everett, and Kelly Loveday
- Holly Kelly was presented with her second Great Schools Partnership/KCS TeacherPreneur grant for \$6900 to introduce students to 3-D and augmented reality software for Anatomy & Physiology
- Anna Arapakos published a book August 2018 entitled *Connecting the Dots…* under the pen name Dimitria Christakis
- Tony Wooley won District IV Forensics Coach of the Year
- Holly Matthews was the 2018 Tennessee Association of School Librarians Innovative Library Media Program award winner
- Emily Swearingen won a TeacherPreneur Grant for implementing Augmented Reality in A&P Instruction
- Golden Anchor Award recipients are Holly Kelly, Kelly Loveday, Chelsea Osborne, Brad Smith, Mollie Townley and Alex Shaffer
- Golden Pineapple recipients are Jordan Brown, Cedelle Niles, Emily Beale, Julia Moles, Tiffany Johnson, Carrie Everett, Carson Goedert, Elizabeth Blankenship, Matt Milligan and Whiteny Parson
- David Moore received a proclamation awarded from the Tennessee House of Representatives
- Nick Green was District 4AAA Softball Coach of the Year
- Susan Pratt was the Annual Binnacle Award recipient

# School-Wide Summer Reading 2019

All summer reading documents, including Honors and AP English assignments, will be available to students and families on the FHS website by visiting the "For Families" tab and clicking on "Summer Reading."

Check the Farragut High School website at <u>www.farraguths.knoxschools.org</u> for information on summer camps, school supply list, student parking and other school information.

### **Summer Insanity**

Students please plan to join us in the **Gym** at Farragut High School to complete the following important preschool activities at the times listed below:

#### Monday, July 29, 2019

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Seniors
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Juniors
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Sophomores
2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Freshmen (Arrive at 2:15 to meet your mentor by the picnic tables to the left of the front entrance.)

The following activities will be completed:

• Pictures (required 9-11) and ID (appropriate school dress) Main Auditorium

\* No cost for photo ID but receipt is required to pick up schedule and get locker. Photo ID required for library books, field trips, etc.

- Locker assignments On line after 1<sup>st</sup> week of school
- Collect book hold fees 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Office
- Schedule Change Request Forms (if needed) on line

A schedule change request sheet does not guarantee a changed schedule. Reasons for a schedule change include <u>ONLY</u> the following:

- Completed class in summer school and received credit
- Incorrect level placement
- Student needs to repeat a class
- Missing or duplicate class

The following activities may also be completed: (any payments should be made by check or cash)

- Parent may join PTSO (\$30/family)
- Parent may receive information and make a donation to the FHS Education Foundation
- Receive information about purchasing a 2019 2020 yearbook
- Bus information will be available
- Club sign-ups
- T-shirts and school spirit items available

Parking Information for **Seniors and Juniors** is on the Farragut High School website under For Families > Parking Information. Bring to Summer Insanity the completed parking application, which is on the website, including **parent signature and check** payable to Farragut High School in the amount of \$45.00. Please include student's name on the memo line of check. **Sophomores and Freshmen are not eligible to purchase parking permits without principal approval.**