

High School Announcements - Week of November 17, 2025

Upcoming Dates

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| ❖ Wednesday, November 19 | Delayed Start |
| ❖ November 26 -28 | No School - Thanksgiving Break |
| ❖ Wednesday, December 3 | Delayed Start |
| ❖ Wednesday, December 10 | Delayed Start |
| ❖ Wednesday, December 17 | Delayed Start |
| ❖ Monday, December 22 | No School - Holiday Break begins |
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General Announcements

- ❖ Fruitport Schools along with Fruitport Lions Club will be collecting all non-perishable foods to give back to our community. Each grade level at the high school is encouraged to donate a specific item to help fill baskets.
9th Grade - Jars/Cans of Gravy
10th Grade - Boxes or Instant Potatoes
11th Grade - Stuffing Mixes
12th Grade - Canned Vegetables
Donations must be received by Thursday, November 20 and can be dropped off in Student Services.

- ❖ The Fruitport Trojan Quiz Bowl Team is getting ready for the Winter season ahead. The first event will be a hybrid “meeting” / “fun-practice-scrimmage” on November 19th. We will meet in room 108 right after school until 3:30. All students are welcome to come. Quiz Bowl is a fun, team Jeopardy style competition where Fruitport competes against other schools around West Michigan in all general knowledge topics. Practices and competitions are typically on Wednesdays. If you are interested in learning more about Quiz Bowl come check out the meeting on November 19th or contact Coach Kobylak with any questions.

- ❖ Come support the Fruitport Theatre Department’s fall play, Every Baby-Sitter’s Nightmare!

Performances are Thursday, November 20 and Friday, November 21 at 6:30 PM in the High School PAC. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$8 each and will be available at the door. Don’t miss this fun, family-friendly comedy filled with laughs, chaos, and a few surprises!

- ❖ It’s time to kick off Shrek the Musical! We’ll be holding two identical informational meetings on Tuesday, November 18 and Tuesday, November 25 from 3:00–4:00 PM in the High School Performing Arts Center. These meetings are for students only and will cover everything you need to know about

auditions, expectations, and how the process works. You only need to attend one of the two meetings. This is your chance to learn what to expect and get all your questions answered before auditions begin. We can't wait to get started on *Shrek the Musical*! Reach out to Cindy Curtis with any questions at ccurtis@fruitportschools.net

- ❖ The Trojan Travelers are heading to France and Spain in June of 2026! We still have a few spots available for travelers and parents/guardians. Trip details are available [here](#). Please see Mrs. Ruch with questions.
- ❖ Are you someone who has always wanted to go to New York City? The Trojan Travelers is heading to New York City in the Spring of 2027. Come with us to experience the Big Apple and all it has to offer. We visit The Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, Little Italy and ChinaTown, Times Square and Central Park; Experience a city view via a skyscraper like Hudson Yards, or the Empire State Building; go to Museums such as the 9/11 Memorial Museum and the MET, go on walking tours; and Experience a Broadway Play. It is an experience you won't forget. An informational meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20th @ 6pm in Mrs. Ruch's Room (Room 218). Parents are also able to sign up to go on the trip as well. Please sign up with the following link to attend the meeting: <https://bit.ly/47rmWBh> See you there! If students sign up to attend the meeting, they will be put into a drawing for \$250 off the trip. One winner will be announced. Students who also went to Washington DC in 8th grade last year (2025) will receive \$50 off of their trip if they sign up for the NYC trip.
- ❖ A reminder that Jostens representatives will be at school on Friday, November 21st during lunch for Celebration Day. Please make sure to stop by and see them to pick up your senior apparel items and class ring gift with purchase items.

School Counseling Office

- ❖ The Career Tech Center will be here on December 9th during 3rd hour to present CTC programming options to all sophomores.
- ❖ **After-School Homework Help – NHS Tutoring** -Parents, please encourage your students to sign up! Starting **Tuesday, October 7**, NHS members will provide after-school homework help in **Math, English, Social Studies, and Science** every Tuesday (some exceptions). Sessions run **2:45–3:30 PM in the Media Center**—students must check in with Mrs. Finnerty when they arrive. **Sign up by Sunday night** before each session via the link provided in your student's email or Class Google Classroom; space is limited, so early sign-up is encouraged. An email reminder will be sent the Monday before the session. Encourage your students to bring their class materials and come ready to focus!
- ❖ Career Education: As part of our Career Readiness work, your child has a new **REQUIRED Xello lesson** called *Parent Check-In: Exploring My Career Interests*. This lesson is designed to encourage meaningful conversations between students and their families about future goals and career exploration.

What to do: Ask your child to log in to Xello and open their **About Me** page and locate their **Career Matches**.

1. Make sure you are **linked to your child's account through Xello Family**. If this is your first time, you'll receive an email invitation from Xello to set up your parent account.
2. Spend a few minutes reviewing your child's top careers together. Talk about which careers seem like a good fit, and share any questions or ideas you may have.
3. After your discussion, your child will record a short reflection in Xello.

Your insight and guidance are extremely valuable in helping your child shape and achieve their future goals. Thank you for partnering with us in this important step.

Athletics

- ❖ Athletes will not be allowed to try out without a physical on file in the athletic office and their final forms account completed.

Looking Ahead - Save the Date:

2026

Monday, January 5	Return to School
Monday, February 16-20	No School - Winter Break
Thursday, April 2 -10	No School - Spring Break
Saturday, May 16, 2026	Junior/Senior Prom - Grand Haven Community Center
Thursday, May 28, 2026	Graduation 2026 - Trinity Health Arena