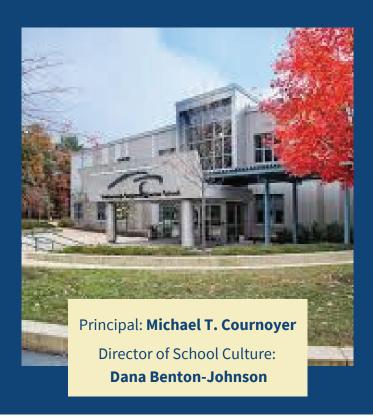


College Preparation Program

FRCS SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



WELCOME

College Preparation Program

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Tonight's Agenda

- (1) Welcome
- (2) Advisory, AP, Naviance
- College testing, visits & timelines
- 4 Application process, readiness, systemic leadership
- 5 Systemic leadership, SIE & Dual Enrollment

- 6 VHS & Elementary Ed student teaching
- (7) STEM Honors Diploma
- **8** Networking for Job Shadow & Internships
- 9 Rosetta Stone & Scholarships
- (10) Data, Class of '22 Colleges, & Testimonials



Systemic Advisory/ Advising Curriculum

- Curriculum in Academic, Career & Personal Social Lessons
- Systemic grades 9-12
- Naviance leading web-based college & career search tool
- Peer Career Presentations Grade 9
- Career Fair Grade 10
- Common Application Project Grade 11
- Senior Advising





Advanced Placement

FRCS offers 20 Advanced
Placement (AP) opportunities
overall!

FRCS Educators are trained through the CollegeBoard Scholars who earn qualifying scores on the AP exams are eligible for college credit



AP Testing Week(s) May 2022



Naviance

Web-based system for:

- College and career search
- All students have accounts-<u>Click here to log into Naviance</u>
- Juniors completed various projects and pages in system
 - Resume
 - Common Application match
 - Colleges I'm Thinking About/ Colleges I'm Applying To Listing
 - Career interest surveys
 - Super Match College Search Tool

Naviance is our primary vehicle for the college admission process:

-School information for college applications will be sent via Naviance Teacher letters of recommendations requested and sent via Naviance

College Admission Testing Prep

- Pre-ACT Spring of Sophomore Year
- PSAT Fall of Junior Year
- Free Virtual Assessments through the Princeton Review
- Concordance table Junior Year
- Focused practice in Khan Academy Junior year
- SAT's Offered at FRCS 5 times per year



College Admissions Testing

SAT and ACT

Click here for the SAT website

Click here for the ACT website

Click here for concordance table published

What to bring on test day:

Your Admission Ticket
Your Photo ID (Driver's license, passport, or School ID)
Approved Calculator
#2 Pencils

More and More Colleges are not requiring a test

Click here for more info on test optional

1750 Colleges and Universities no longer require SAT or ACT

If you test well, can be to your advantage to submit your test scores!

College Visits

- September November Colleges Visit FRCS during LEGO
- School Counselor Department hosts a College Panel
- Reverse Alumni College Fair
- Excused Absences for College Visits
- Research on Naviance in College Lookup, Scattergrams, College Search platforms, Career interest inventories, and Resume development
- Individualized Junior College Planning meeting with student and family
- Field trips to Colleges of the Fenway, Bridgewater State, & UMass Dartmouth



Timelines

Make a schedule suggested/required timelines

<u>Click here for the College Admissions</u> <u>Handbook</u>

Click here for the FRCS College Visit Form

<u>Click here for the Common Application</u> Instruction Packet

Create a calendar for year:

College visits
Applications due dates
Financial aid submission
College testing dates (SAT/ACT)

Coordinate directly with Higher Ed for key dates:

Financial aid
 Registration for Visits/Open Houses
 Interviews



FRCS Application Process

Senior Advising Class

<u>Click here for the senior year</u>

timeline

<u>Click here for the college</u> <u>application procedure</u>

<u>Click here for the senior Advising</u> <u>Calendar</u>

Key Points

Do not miss application deadlines
 Proofread applications (grammar, spelling ...)
 Match Common App and Naviance
 Update Naviance at least four weeks before application due
 Mid-Term 1 grades will be posted to transcripts in mid October



Readiness

Click here for the ASCA: Mindsets & Behaviors:

Discuss expectations (student and family)

Organization and planningCommunication

Budget

Consider next steps for young adult

Academic

•Financial

Social/Personal

Decision making (motivation, accountability, self-discipline)



Alumni Systemic Leadership





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Senior Independent Enrichment

This capstone project allows select scholars to design their own research project pertaining to something they would like to pursue in college.

Scholars create their own syllabus, project, experiment, and research paper

Program concludes in a presentation for a panel of educators and administrators

This can be considered an applied experience for the college admission process and requires a tremendous amount of self motivation, perseverance, and grit!



Rua Alrashid, Senior, Class of 2022



Dual Enrollment

Dual Enrollment is an opportunity to take a
course outside the FRCS Curriculum
and receive both high school AND college credit.
Open to Juniors and Seniors
Must have GPA of 3.0 or higher
Scholars will have a block during the school day to
complete their work asynchronous
Some of our scholars are a semester
ahead when they begin college!



Tayla Alfred, FRCS Class of 2022 is dually enrolled at FRCS and Bristol Community College!



Virtual High School

Virtual High School allows scholars to take a course outside of FRCS curriculum for High School credit.

Open to Juniors and Seniors
Scholars will have a block during the school day to complete their work asynchronous



Liam Robichaud, Class of 2023



Elementary Education Practicum - Student Teaching

We partner with FRCS Elementary
School to offer scholars interested
in becoming a teacher applied
classroom experience.
Open to Juniors and Seniors
Learn to create lesson plans &
activities
Keep weekly reflective journal



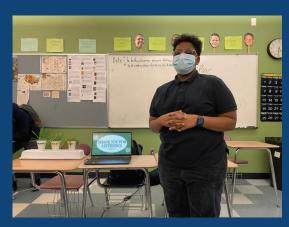
Jada Pressat (Class of 2023) Spring 2022: Elementary
Teacher: Nicole Smith



STEM Honors Diploma

pathway can receive a second diploma at graduation!
Scholars follow a rigorous pathway inclusive of honors and AP curriculum Keep an overall weighted average in all HS courses of at least 83
Complete a science fair research project all four years and a fifth lab science course Complete one non-STEM AP course

Scholars in the STEM Honors Diploma



Naser Abdelhadi Science Fair FRCS Class of 2025



LEGO Networking for Job Shadow & Internships & Employer Development

- LEGO Instruction around How to Network for a Job Shadow or Internship
- Employer Development with Sturdy Hospital & Pristine Engineering





Doralexa Francios, Class of 2025



Rosetta Stone

After completing AP Spanish, FRCS scholars can master a third language!

Learning happens online - Independence a must!

Scholars can select the language of their choice Scholars will complete a project that will allow them to reflect, reinforce, and expand their knowledge of the language learned.



Scholarships

"Local" first for scholarships –

FRCS Scholarships: Department of Outreach and School Counselor Coordinator

- Scholarships from sending districts
- •Employers, community organizations, etc.
- Scholarship websites and national databasesCollege websites
 - Local Organizations

Ask about discounts/waivers for tuition or fee reduction!

Click here for the New England "Tuition Break" program



Scholarships

FRCS Scholarships 2022

Dr. Jacqueline E. McDermott, FRCS Alumni Class of 2008. Dr. McDermott received her Ph.D. in Cell and Molecular Biology from Brandeis University in 2018.

She is the:

Associate Director of Graduate Diversity and Inclusion College of Engineering - Graduate Education Purdue University





DATA: Class of 2022

- 75% of FRCS graduates engaged in Advanced Placement during high school as compared to the national average in 2018 of 39%
- More than half of the class (59%) took on the challenge of independent, online learning through Virtual High School, Rosetta Stone Languages, Senior Independent Enrichment, Elementary Ed, and/or Dual Enrollment
- 9 students took on Dual Enrollment courses with local community colleges during senior year earning both high school and college credit. Up 85% from last year. We have had a fully immersed dual enrollment student the past three years at FRCS
- 6 Seniors engaged in Senior Enrichment Programs. These experiences included: Fictional Writing, Stocks 101, Cancer within the African Community, The Portrayal of Women & Film, Computational Origami, and the Theory & Hx of Musical Performance
- 16 Students took on independent online courses through our Virtual High School program, immersing in courses outside the FRCS curriculum
- 16 Students took on online courses in world languages. Languages included: Korean, Portuguese, German, French, Japanese, Hindi, Italian, and Russian. All these students passed Spanish at the Advanced Placement level



DATA: Class of 2022

- Seniors sent 807 applications to 196 colleges and universities. Admissions
 included a very diverse set of public and private colleges across New England
 and beyond in certificate, two-, and four-year programs
- 90% of the graduating class will attend 2 or 4 year colleges and universities
- 13.5% will attend 2 year Community Colleges
- 76.5% will attend 4 year Private and Public Universities
- 10% will be exploring work and GAP year options
- 63% will attend Public Universities and Colleges
- 37% will attend Private Universities
- 1 Student will attend Tufts University
- Our Valedictorian will attend Harvard University





ENTER TO LEARN ...



EXIT TO LEAD!



THANK YOU!

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