

Fern Creek High School Alumni Association
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___ number attending tailgate on Friday, Sept 28 at \$15 each \$ _____

___ number attending breakfast on Sat., Sept 29 at \$10 each \$ _____

___ number attending Hall of Fame Lunch on Sept 30 at \$25 each \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Please mail this form and your check for the above total amount in the enclosed envelope by 9/15 so we can order the food and have the right number of places set for everyone.

Paying at the event will be subject to availability.

August 2018

It's hard to believe that it was almost six years ago when I received a call from Board Chair, Mike Gatton, asking that I help with the accounting and management of the Alumni Association. The experience has been very rewarding and fun as I have made new friends and reconnected with old ones.

We really need all of you to get involved with our Alumni Association. The general meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of Feb, Apr, Aug, Sept and Nov at 7 PM in the Ramsey room on the first floor of the building on the Ferndale Road side. Please join us for these meetings so we can grow our membership and actively involve additional alums.

Our annual dues are only \$25. You can also become a lifetime member for \$275 or if you graduated at least 50 years ago only \$175. These payments as well as any donations that you make are tax deductible. These payments along with the funds we make from Charitable Gaming allow us to fund scholarships for students and teachers as well as to provide funds for needed school improvements. By the end of this year the total of funds given back to FCHS will exceed \$1.5 million.

At our annual meeting on November 19 we will elect 5 Board members for 3-year terms beginning in January. You are encouraged to

attend and are eligible to vote if your annual or lifetime dues have been paid.

Nominations are due by November 1. A nomination form can be found on our website www.ferncreekalumni.com.

Joey Bailey '65
Executive Director



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Dear Alumni and Friends:

We are genuinely excited about our new school year here at Fern Creek High School and recognize that a large part of our success is due to the continued support of our Alumni Association and the talented individuals who are proud to call themselves graduates of Fern Creek High School.

When speaking about our school at the district, state, and national level, we consistently cite the strength of our Alumni Association as one of the driving forces behind our success story. We know that there are incredible opportunities made possible through your support and generosity and our community knows it too. This year we boast of one the largest student enrollments in our school's history. Our Ivy Plus Program is attracting state and national attention and will soon be the focus of an article in Education Week which has taken note of the innovative approach we employ to ensure our highly-qualified students are matched with highly-selective colleges and universities. We are extremely proud of the work that Ivy Plus Dean, Beau Baker, has done this year to expand the program and to procure an incredible 12 million dollars in scholarship money.

We know our teachers are doing amazing things for our students and the larger community recognizes this too. Three of our teachers (more than any other JCPS school) were honored this year by Hilliard Lyons as exemplary educators. Beau Baker, Brent Peters, and Marcus Blakeney all received recognition and a grant to further their work in the classroom at Fern Creek. Our teachers and students continue to excel in the classroom and beyond. Guided by the tireless dedication of our ROTC leaders, our Drill Team brought home their 17th National Title. The consistency of the excellence of our ROTC program is unparalleled. This is their 17th National Title in the last 18 years. Our Boys Basketball team also continues to excel, winning the King of the Bluegrass Tournament and making their 2nd trip to Rupp Arena for the KHSAA Sweet Sixteen Tournament.

Tiger Baseball has also had historic season this spring and ended up being a top 20 team in the state. The inaugural season of our Lacrosse team portends exciting times for our student-athletes at Fern Creek.

Finally, we want to thank the Alumni association for their generous donation allowing us to outfit our Marching Band with new uniforms. Our Band is gearing up for the year and will be ready to make use of the newly resurfaced parking lot, which has been striped to facilitate their practice and training. We can't wait to hear them as they welcome our winning Tiger Football Team at the first home game of the season on August 31st v. Central High School at 7:30 p.m. We would love to see you there as we will play on newly beautified grounds and facilities at Veteran's Stadium Fern Creek. Go Tigers!

Nate Meyer, Ed.D.

HOMECOMING WEEKEND SEPT 28-30, 2018

We will begin our festivities on Friday at 6 PM with a tailgate under the tent catered by Mark's Feed Store followed by the football game at 7:30 against Iroquois. On Saturday morning, we will have breakfast in the cafeteria at 9 AM prepared by our students. A tour of the school and our outdoor classroom will follow. On Sunday, we will have our annual Hall of Fame induction lunch and ceremony at Wildwood Country Club with a gathering at 12:30 with lunch at 1 PM. The reservation form is on the back page. Please make your reservation and payment by September 15.

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REUNIONS

The class of '60 will meet for dinner at the Bristol East on Hurstbourne Lane. For reservations contact Barbara Bryant Lechner at barblechner@bellsouth.net

An all 70's reunion is in the planning stages for 2019. They will hold a meet-n-greet on October 13 at 6 PM at Rooster's in Fern Creek including a silent auction. Representatives are needed for the classes of '70, '78 and '79. Contact Nancy Dreher at 502-239-4878 or Glenda Rogers Wagner at 502-905-5051. For updates see FCHS All 70's Reunion FB page.

The class of '73 encourages its members to join other alums at the homecoming events on Friday and Saturday morning. Then they will meet at Captains Quarters for dinner on Saturday night. For information and reservations contact Dennis Tyler at dtyler@outlook.com, Ed Maddox at emaddox236@aol.com or Glenda Rogers Wagner at Gda236@icloud.com.

On October 26, the Class of '88 will gather at Saints in St Matthews. For information contact Troy Stout at 502-767-8612 or troy.stout@att.net.

The 25th reunion for the class of 93 & 92 will be held at Wildwood Country Club on November 3 from 7 - 11. For information contact Jaime Goldsmith at jaimegold74@gmail.com. For updates see Fern Creek Class of 1992 & 1993 Facebook page.

The class of '99 will hold their reunion at Wildwood Country Club on September 28, 2019. For information contact Kelly Wortham at 502-396-9970 or Kelmar99@aol.com or Josh Frank at 502-724-7586 or Jdfrank01@gmail.com.

SCHOLARSHIPS

In April, the Alumni Board approved scholarships for five teachers and nine students in the amount of \$2,000 each for a total of \$28,000. The teacher's scholarships are presented in the names of Iris and Kenny Arnold. They are both longtime supporters of our beloved school and this Alumni Association. Of the nine student scholarships, two were given to students whose parents or grandparents attended FCHS. All of these scholarships truly represent the vast diversity of cultures that we now have at our school.

HALL OF FAME 2018

Your Hall of Fame Committee has chosen 10 alums for induction on Sept. 30. They are: Roger Thompson '35; Val Scott '65; Ken Leffew '68; Mark Thompson '74; Terry Stout '79; Brent Guess '88; Joey Wagner '97; Mario Urrutia '04 and Monique Reid '08.

Their permanent Hall of Fame plaques will be added to the other 149 which are located in the rotunda of the Alumni Auditorium.

Please consider nominating a deserving member of your class for next year's induction.

