Dear Rising 10th Grade Families,

Welcome to 10th Grade at The Franklin School of Innovation! The tenth grade team would like to introduce ourselves, our classes, and a few expectations we have for our grade level. We look forward to helping this be your child’s best school year yet. In the coming days, we will be sending information on how you can access classroom info and assignments. In the meantime, here are some basics (and a supply list!) to get you started for each of your child’s core academic classes:

**Fees:** There is a one-time $15.00 consumables fee, which covers things like expedition materials, science labs, supplemental reading books, workbooks and other instructional consumable materials. The school will send out invoices for the consumables fee through email at the beginning of the school year which can be paid online or by cash or check.

Field trips generally require additional fees, but with the uncertainty of this year, we will provide specific information on those opportunities when/if we are able to schedule them. If these take place the school will again send out invoices via email which can be paid online or with cash or check.

Every student is expected to come to school prepared with pencils and paper EVERY DAY.

**English II** is a year to read widely and push our writing beyond the basics. Books on the menu this year include *Night, Persepolis, Animal Farm, Twelfth Night,* and *The Hate U Give.* You’ll write poetry, short stories, satire, an argumentative essay, and punchy paragraphs. Connecting everything are classes’ spirited discussions of the big ideas connecting these stories with our lives. All this will prepare you for the English II EOC, that pesky state-mandated test at the end of year.

**Social Studies** Welcome! Civics is a course designed to teach students not only how the United States came into existence, but also to explain the government and economics institutions on which our society is based. Our society and culture in the United States is very different from other parts of the world. This course offers some explanations for why this is the case. Students will learn about what rights and duties are a part of being a citizen. They will
learn about how the federal government works and the responsibilities the government has been entrusted with by the Constitution. Students will be required to examine several key Supreme Court Cases that have helped shape the interpretation of the law and directly impacted their daily lives.

Science

Math Welcome to Math 2! Throughout the course of the school year, students will learn how to answer questions, solve problems and make decisions...using math! The main topics covered include: transformations, symmetry, congruence, constructions, proofs, geometric figures, similarity, trigonometry, quadratic functions, variation, square root functions and probability. In class presentations, notes and projects will be used along with online resources to reinforce all concepts. There is no NC state End of Course Test for Math 2 but students will need to complete a final exam to showcase what they are capable of doing having completed this course.

Required Materials for 2022-2023 --

Social Studies Supply List: 1 binder, (2") highlighters, pencils. Students will need 3-4 poster boards throughout the year but you can purchase them as needed.

Science Supply List: 2 string bound composition journals. 2- black Sharpies, 4 rolls of clear scotch tape, 2 glue sticks, pencils and a ruler

Math 2 Supply List: A composition notebook that has graphing paper, pencils, and a graphing calculator (TI-83 or TI-84 recommended and strongly encouraged). A helpful tip for finding an affordable graphing calculator is to go to pawn shops or second hand stores/websites. Students will often sell them once they have completed courses for which the calculators were required.

English Supply List: Students in this class have the option of doing almost every assignment digitally if they choose, or, if they prefer, using paper and pencil. For students who prefer physical copies of their work, they should obtain a binder and dividers to organize their work by unit.

*Art Supply List - on website

Materials on this list do not need to be new, just in good working shape. Feel free to reuse materials from previous years that students already have. Please consider, if you are able, donating an extra bag of supplies for those who cannot.