Good evening, Freedom families!

This is Dr. Nehrig with your weekly Falcon Update.

At Freedom, We Stand For Safety! Last Thursday, we participated in the kickoff of a new 6-day Volusia County Schools awareness campaign focused on keeping our schools safe. We have daily announcements at the beginning and end of each day, classroom videos shown on Day 1 and Day 6, social media messages, and other activities related to school safety. Watch for the hashtag #WeStandForSafety and let's keep all of our Falcons safe!

Here are the events of the week:

This is the final week of make-up testing for the first administration of the new Progress Monitoring assessment. Fortunately, we have very few students remaining who need to test. Teachers will use results to guide instruction in the coming weeks.

Our Hispanic Heritage Month celebration continues this week. Watch the "Latest Swoop" news show for updates. You can watch The Latest Swoop by using this link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwOzIN2ozW7rGgit1p0dhRA

Wednesday is an early release day, with dismissal at 1:30 p.m.

Our Fall Individual Picture Day for students is this Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. Please look for information sent home with students or contact the school for more information.

Looking ahead, our School Advisory Council meets on October  $4^{th}$  at 6pm, our  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  grade students will see a presentation of "Rumpelstiltskin" by the Youth + Arts = Success! Program on October  $6^{th}$ , and our MegaBlast celebration is Friday October  $7^{th}$ .

Finally, we are hosting a Health Heroes Flu Shot Clinic on October  $11^{th}$  from 8:30-10:00 a.m. If you wish for your child to participate, please return the consent form ASAP.

Thank you Falcons, and I'll see you tomorrow at Freedom Elementary, where 'We're Soaring High with Falcon Pride!'

Sincerely,

Dr. Nehrig