Good morning, Frankin! Please join me in showing respect for our flag by reciting the pledge of allegiance and the Texas Pledge. If you are in the hallway, please stop where you are.

I pledge allegiance, to the flag, of the United States of America. And to the republic, for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state, under God, one and indivisible.

Now please join me for a moment of silence.

Thank you! It’s always a great day to be a Cougar, and here are today’s announcements, we are including some from earlier this week so all students have the opportunity to hear important updates about our Franklin Family.

Congratulations to our boys and girls on the Franklin Swim team who competed at regionals this past weekend in Midland. Thank you to Coach Perry, Coach Rubio, and Mr. Seufurt for your support this past weekend and what you do for the swim team! And congratulations to the seven swimmers that will be representing Franklin at State!

The school yearbook is currently on sale for $80 until Spring Break at FHSChronicle.com. On March 22, the price will go up to its most expensive price of the year. Senior Ads are currently on sale until March 21 but only 18 ads remain as of February 2nd! Don't miss out as they are on a first-come first-serve basis. Please be sure to order soon and purchase your senior ad through SchoolCashOnline.

Congratulations to all of our FHS Star of the West Band members and twirlers that participated in the Regional UIL Solo and Ensemble. The following students received a UIL 1 ranking: Megan, Lauren, Adrian, Rebecca, Margaret, Victoria, Andrew, Anthony, Sophia, Frederick, John, Steven, Alexandria, Shae, Nicolas, Angelina, Gerado, Eleanor, Kristofer, and Michael!

Good luck to our Franklin Mock Trial team as they compete this Friday, February 12th! And thank you to Ms. Cundari for sponsoring the Mock Trial Team, good luck this Friday!

Congratulations to our HOSA Competitors that placed at Area 4 competition, first place winners were: Zaina, Danielle, Eleanor, Olivia, Vivian, Desiree, Victoria, Jazmin, and Kaitlin. Second place winners in their categories were: Leonor, Samantha, Emily, Elain, Brandyn, Bryan, Suemin, Alexis, Ingrid, Jazmin, and Valeria. Third place winners were: Isabel, Jenasee, and Saila. Fifth place winners were Amerika, Valeria, and Kayden. Congratulations to all!!

Congratulations to our Lady Cougar Girls Basketball team that has made it to their season playoffs! They will be playing at home this Thursday, February 11th, against Midland! Good luck this week to our varsity girls, Kennia, Fatime, Caitlynn, Jazmine, Cynthia, Angie, Amaris, Monique, Crystal, Victoria, Dominique, Fernanda, and Alejandra! Thank you to Franklin’s own Coach Balderrama, Coach Chavez, Coach Mendoza, and Head
Coach Watters for all that you do for our school and the Lady Cougar Basketball Team! And be sure to support boys basketball this Friday by streaming the game on franklin sports.

**Good luck to our Academic Decathlon team as they compete in their 10 events. Congratulations to the members that participated in Speech, Interview, and Essay already virtually and to those testing on February 27th! A special shoutout to sponsor, Ms. Michelle Mendoza, and team members Diego, Olivia, Laynee, Madeline, Adelina, Liliana, Aurelio, and Camila. Good luck to all.**

There is no school next Monday, February 15th, in honor of President’s Day. Please be sure to make it a day-ON rather than a day off!

That’s all for today, remember to be respectful, accept responsibility, and be cougar-ageous! Have a **Terrific Thursday!**