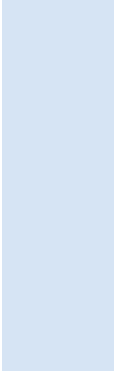




“On the first day I was kind of nervous. It was overwhelming because I hadn’t been around a lot of people in such a long time, but I find it exciting because you get to enjoy school and having people around again.”

- Teri Chapman (11)



Senior Benjamin Banton plays corn hole in the courtyard during one of the first day of school rotations.

The freshmen paint their handprints and write their names on their number during their stations.

A group of sophomores pose for a picture in the commons area during their third station.



A group of sophomores play corn hole in the courtyard during one of their stations.

Members of the junior class stand at attention for ‘Captains Coming’ during a game of “Ships and Sailors” at one of their rotations.



Welding teacher Mr. Jeremy Loveall holds up the graduation year cutout as students place their painted handprints.

Juniors pose for a picture while holding up their ACT score in front of the spaceship created by the welding class.



Seniors Kaylee Huckaby, Kaitlyn Norris, and Hannah Wallace laugh while waving at the drone taking the first day class of 2022 picture.



FOR THE FIRST TIME IN FOREVER



Outside

"The first day of school was pretty nerve-wracking, but it was filled with exciting things. I found out what the musical was going to be, the handprints were cool, and it was just amazing to see people having fun during the rotation." - Ryan Mayhall (9)

"Senior sunrise was amazing to see cause it happened on my last first day of school. The mosquitoes were a pain, though, but I was with my friends, so it made up for that time outside."

- Jason Yarbrough (12)

Inside



The first day back at school at Franklin Simpson High School was full of excitement and lots of new changes. For some, coming back was familiar, and for others, not so much. A lot of changes and adjustments were made over the two years we were absent from fully in-person classes – all of them important to ensure the safety of the students of FSHS.

The day started with the seniors watching the sunrise on the football field, a tradition that allows them to celebrate the new year and pave their way as the new leaders of the school. The day started with the seniors watching the sunrise on the football field as they continued the tradition and paved the way as the new leaders of the school. Many activities ensued over the first day getting students ready to take on a new journey. The freshmen spent time together making handprints on the number cutouts of their graduation year. Sophomores of 2024 joined them to put their handprints for 2024 due to being virtual last year. Meanwhile, the juniors posed next to the welding classes' rocketship, and the junior class's ACT goal of a 20. Seniors who ended the day gathered at the football field once again to take an aerial picture organized for their graduating year.

Finally, the events finished out with a speech about future achievements students aim to achieve this year at the school. Coming back together after such a long time apart is an alternate route for everyone, but the sense of unity that comes with it is most definitely worth it.

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