

Flora CUSD #35 Newsletter

Children are our most precious possession.

August 2017

Mark Twain once said, “the secret to getting ahead is getting started.” Below are some ideas on how to prepare for the upcoming school year to help make it a great start.

Re-establish routines. With all of the summer activities and spending time outside enjoying the summer weather, I know my children are not in the routine for the start of the school year. Beginning to re-establish these routines at least a week prior to the first day of school can help with the transition back to school. Some important routines are bedtimes, meal times, and morning schedules.

Talk about returning to school. When talking to your child about the upcoming school year, focus on the fun and excitement of a new year. If there is any lingering anxiety, making your child’s new teacher or teachers aware of this at the beginning of the year can help address this and again get the year off to a good start.

Visit with your child’s new teacher or teachers. Regardless of the age or grade of your child, meeting your child’s new teacher or teachers allows for an opportunity to get acquainted with the schedule, classroom, expectations, etc. It also allows an opportunity for you to provide information to the teacher about your child. Each building will be hosting open houses or orientation nights which provide a great opportunity to visit your child’s school and meet his or her teacher. The open house and orientation dates are listed below.

With the start of the school year, we are excited to welcome the following new staff members:

Paige Earlywine-District Nurse

Kali Carroll-FHS Special Education

Kaley Himelick-FHJHS Special Education

Jena Ferguson-FES Band

Jordan Tipsword-Kindergarten

Meredith Wagley-1st Grade

Monica Grove-4th Grade

Stephanie Slankard-4th Grade

Mandy Thompson-FES PE

Terry Branch-FHS Ag

Deidre Klein-FES Paraprofessional

We are looking forward to a great school year!! Thank you for all of the support for our schools in the past and we look forward to continuing to work together to make our schools the best they can possibly be.

Important Upcoming Dates:

July 31st-FHJHS Baseball Tryouts #1-10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Must attend both)
FHJHS Softball Tryouts #1-3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. (Must attend both)

August 1st-FHJHS Baseball Tryouts #2-10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Must attend both)
FHJHS Softball Tryouts #2-3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. (Must attend both)
Athletic Policy Meeting for Athletes/Parents Flora High School-7:00 p.m.

August 2nd-Central Registration at Flora High School-9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

August 3rd- Central Registration at Flora High School- 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

August 8th-Freshman Orientation-Flora High School-6:00 p.m.

August 10th-6th Grade Orientation-FHJHS-6:00 p.m.

August 14th-Board of Education Meeting-Administration Office-5:30 p.m.

August 14th-Teacher's Institute Day-No School for Students

August 15th-Teacher's Institute Day-No School for Students
K-5 Open House-FES-6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

August 16th-First Official Day of School for Students (Full Day)

August 17th-Flora High School Open House-6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
FHJHS Open House-5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

August 29th-FHS Student Pictures