

Flora CUSD #35 Newsletter

Children are our most precious possession.

December 2014

I am truly thankful for all of the support and input provided to the district. As a result, this month I chose to include the most recent article I submitted to the paper for my monthly newsletter.

An Attitude of Gratitude

It is hard to believe that the holiday season is here and Christmas is just around the corner. While time seems to fly by this time of year as we work on completing our to do lists, I want to take time to again give thanks for the great opportunities I have here at Flora CUSD #35.

- I am thankful for the Flora students. Watching our students at this year's Veterans' Day program and observing how attentive and respectful they were was just another reminder of how great our students are. I would argue that it would be next to impossible to find a better group of students in any school district!!
- Although I have stated this in the past, I cannot express enough how thankful I am to be the superintendent of Flora CUSD #35. Each day I get the opportunity to work together with each of you to make our school great, I am more and more grateful for the opportunity.
- I am thankful for the Flora parents and community. The support, dedication, and involvement of our parents and community is second to none. It is this work that allows us to still provide the best opportunities and education to our students even in poor economic times.
- I am thankful to work with teachers and staff that truly care about our students. In today's times, education and teachers face unfair criticism and scrutiny from many people while more and more requirements and mandates are implemented. I am proud of the time and energy our teachers and staff devote to help our students learn and succeed.
- I am thankful for our school board members. It is the hard work, dedication, and time spent by these individuals that helps pave the way for the success of our schools and our students.

Important Upcoming Dates:

December 2nd-Washington's Pre-K Christmas program at McEndree-9:00 a.m. and 1:00

December 5th-McEndree School (Grades 1-3) Christmas Program-1:30 p.m.

December 7th-High School Band Concert-2:00 p.m.

December 8th-McEndree/Washington School Kindergarten Christmas Program at McEndree School-1:00 p.m.

December 9th-Lincoln School/Junior High School Band/Chorus Christmas Concert at FHJHS-7:00 p.m.

December 12th-Lincoln School Christmas Program-1:30 p.m.

December 17th-Board of Education Meeting at Administration Office-6:30 p.m.

December 18th-Xenia School Christmas Program-1:30 p.m.

December 19th-End of First Semester-Early Dismissal-2:00 p.m.

December 20-31-No School