

Flora CUSD #35 Newsletter

Children are our most precious possession.

September 2016

New Faces at Flora School District

It is great to have staff and students back after what was hopefully a relaxing summer break. Another great school year is off and running and we are pleased to introduce some new staff at the Flora School District.

Melanie Shehorn-1st Grade Teacher-FES
Andy Glosser-5th Grade Teacher-FES
Ashley Harrington-English/Language Arts-FHJHS
Alyssa Rogers-English/Language Arts-FHJHS
Tammy Williams-Title Paraprofessional-FHJHS
Patti Jones-FES Custodian
Kelsey Lusk-Bus Driver

We are excited about the start of the school year and our new staff. Please make them feel welcome!!

Thank You to the Community!!

I am constantly reminded of how great our community is and how blessed we are to have the community support of our school district. Watching the large number of people that participated in the local Miracle Treat event; it is easy to see what makes our community great. We have had an overwhelming number of businesses and people that have approached us this year to donate school supplies to our students and our schools or support our school district in any way possible. From the large number of people that put in countless hours of volunteering, the donation of resources and money, the attendance at district and athletic events, and the input given through surveys and focus groups; this community is what truly makes our school district great!! We cannot say thank you enough for your generosity, your support, and for all you do for our district and students!!

We are entering the third and final year of our current strategic plan that outlines the district goals and objectives. As a result, we will be working on the formation of a new strategic plan during the course of this school year. We will begin this process with a survey for 6th through 12th grade students as well as a survey for parents, teachers, and community members that will be available in October. The data from this survey will be used to help guide the improvements and initiatives in the future. We are excited to see the progress over the past few years and are continually striving to improve. Please don't hesitate to contact me at 618-662-2412 or jhackney@floraschools.com with questions or suggestions for improvement. We are looking forward to another great school year as we work together to provide the best education possible to our students!

Important Upcoming Dates:

September 2nd-Early Dismissal-2:00 p.m.

September 5th-Labor Day-No School

September 14th-Curriculum Advisory Committee Meeting-Unit Office-8:45 a.m.

September 16th-Mid-term for 1st Quarter

September 19th-Board of Education Meeting-Unit Office-5:30 p.m.

September 21st-Mid-Term Progress Reports go home

September 23rd-Early Dismissal-2:00 p.m.

September 24th-Appleknocker Festival Sponsored by Flora Academic Foundation