

# Flora CUSD #35 Newsletter

*Children are our most precious possession.*

March 2015

## 2015-2016 School Calendar

It is hard to believe that February is almost over and spring with hopefully warmer weather is right around the corner. It is also hard to believe that it is time to start looking ahead to the calendar for next school year. Below are important dates for the 2015-2016 school calendar.

August 20<sup>th</sup>-Teacher Institute  
August 21<sup>st</sup>-Teacher Institute  
August 24<sup>th</sup>-First Full Day Student Attendance  
October 23<sup>rd</sup>-Teacher Institute  
Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>-Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.  
Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>-Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
December 18<sup>th</sup>-2:00 Dismissal  
December 19<sup>th</sup>-January 3<sup>rd</sup>-Christmas Break  
Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>-Teacher Institute  
Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>-School Resumes  
March 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>-Spring Break  
Last Attendance Day-May 24<sup>th</sup> (if no snow days used)  
June 1<sup>st</sup>-(if all snow days used)

**School Improvement Days (12:30 Dismissal)**-October 29<sup>th</sup>, January 15<sup>th</sup>, February 12<sup>th</sup>, April 15<sup>th</sup>, May 24<sup>th</sup>

**2:00 Dismissals**-September 4<sup>th</sup>, September 18<sup>th</sup>, October 9<sup>th</sup>, November 6<sup>th</sup>, November 25<sup>th</sup>, December 18<sup>th</sup>, March 6<sup>th</sup>, March 11<sup>th</sup>, April 29<sup>th</sup>

**School Holidays:** Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day/Day after Thanksgiving, MLK Day, Presidents Day, Memorial Day

**Midterm Dates:** 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter-September 25<sup>th</sup> (Sent home September 30<sup>th</sup>), 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter-November 20<sup>th</sup> (sent home November 25<sup>th</sup>), 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter-February 5<sup>th</sup> (sent home February 10<sup>th</sup>), 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter-April 8<sup>th</sup> (sent home April 13<sup>th</sup>)

**Quarter Dates:** 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter-October 23<sup>rd</sup> (sent home October 30<sup>th</sup>), 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter-December 18<sup>th</sup> (sent home January 8<sup>th</sup>), 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter-March 11<sup>th</sup> (sent home March 18<sup>th</sup>)

## Community Forum

On Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting a community forum, open to everyone, in the FHS Commons at 6:30 p.m.. The first part of the forum will focus on our progress towards meeting our goals as well as getting input for future improvements and activities. We will also provide specific details about the elementary construction progress and answer any questions about the transition to the new building. We plan to have the transportation department available at the

end of the forum to let you know the tentative plan (times, locations, etc.) for next year.

We have had and continue to have tremendous community input and support for our school district! We look forward to continuing to work with the community parents, staff, and students to make our school district the best it can be. Please join us if you can on March 5<sup>th</sup> as we strive to continually improve. Please contact the Unit Office at 618-662-2412 or Joel Hackney at [jhackney@floraschools.com](mailto:jhackney@floraschools.com) with any questions or suggestions.

**Important Upcoming Dates:**

**March 6<sup>th</sup>**-Early Dismissal-2:00

**March 9<sup>th</sup>**-PARCC Performance Based Assessment Starts

**March 13<sup>th</sup>**-End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

**March 16<sup>th</sup>**-Board of Education Meeting-5:30 p.m.-Unit Office

**March 20<sup>th</sup>**-Grade Cards/Grade Slips Issued

Early Dismissal-2:00 p.m.

Spring Musical-FHS

**March 21<sup>st</sup>**-Spring Musical FHS

**“Education is learning what you didn't even know you didn't know. “  
~Daniel J. Boorstin**