# **Board Buzz**

Weekly Superintendent Update for the FBISD Board of Trustees

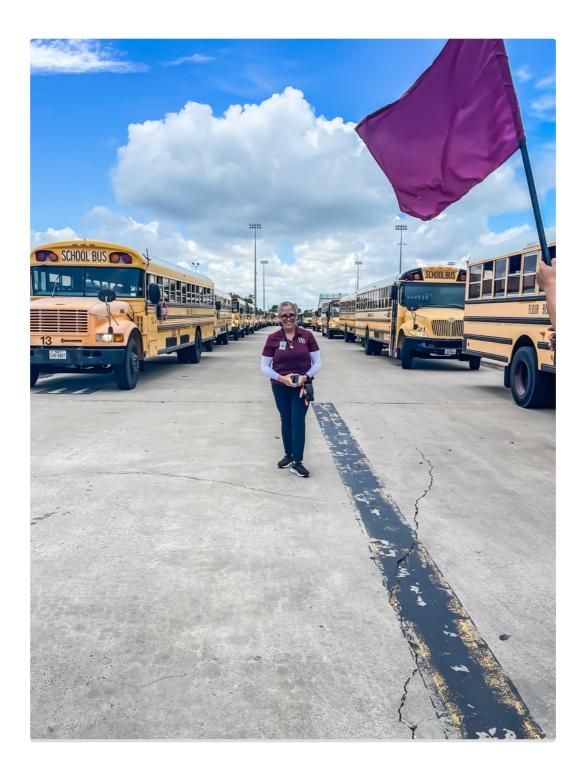
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If one were to ask us to use one word to describe the first week of school, it would be FANTASTIC! Our Hornet scholars, faculty, and staff were eager to start the academic school year, and it was all hands on deck to assist a smooth start! We have had plenty to celebrate this week, too! It sure is exciting to celebrate the successes of our TEAM! I want to thank our campus and district leadership team for pulling together and supporting each other in every area of operations this week to ensure that we had a GREAT start! If you see them, thank them for their service and leadership! We also need to recognize our phenomenal faculty and staff for ensuring that our students received a warm welcome, a safe arrival, and dismissal every day - we've seen Happy Hornets at every campus!

I hope you enjoy reading this week's Board Buzz! See you Tuesday at our Community Advisory Committee Meeting!

Be safe & strong! Be committed! Bee a HORNET!

FIRST FRIDAY BUS SEND-OFF OF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR



# SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR OUR STUDENTS

Flour Bluff ISD was blessed with several school supply donations over the last few weeks. We want to thank the Corpus Christi Police Department, Laurie Barta, Real Life Church, and Flour Bluff Citizens Council. Thank you so much for thinking of our students and giving them school supplies as they begin the school year.













#### 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL



# FLOUR BLUFF JUNIOR HIGH RECEIVES PURPLE STAR CAMPUS DESIGNATION

Flour Bluff Junior High has been designated a Purple Star Campus by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for meeting the unique needs of military-connected students and their families. This is the second year in a row that a Flour Bluff ISD school has received the statewide award.



The Purple Star Campus Designation recognizes Texas school district and open-enrollment charter school campuses that show their support and commitment to meeting the unique needs of military-connected students and their families. TEA accepted applications for the 2021-2022 school year from April 5, 2021, through June 1, 2021.

For campuses to apply for the designation and demonstrate they have met the following established criteria:

- Creating and maintaining an easily accessible web page that includes information for militaryconnected students and their families;
- · Implementing a campus transition program; and

Offering at least one of the following initiatives:

- A resolution showing support for military-connected students and families;
- · Participation in Month of the Military Child or Military Family Month; or
- Partnership with a school liaison officer to encourage and provide opportunities for active-duty military members.

The Purple Star designation was created by the 86th Texas Legislature through SB 1557. Campuses that satisfy the criteria and are awarded the Purple Star Campus Designation are eligible to recertify the designation every two school years. TEA will provide Flour Bluff Junior High with a special Purple Star recognition to display.

# FLOUR BLUFF INTERMEDIATE TEACHER JEANA BANTA NAMED REGIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR

The Education Service Center, Region 2, made a surprise visit to Flour Bluff Intermediate on Thursday. Jeana Banta, a 5th Grade teacher, has been named the Education Service Center, Region 2, Elementary Teacher of the Year.

Mrs. Banta goes on to take part in the selection process for the Texas Teacher of the Year. Texas Teacher of the Year judging at the state level begins this month. Applications are reviewed, and the finalists will be announced later in August. The announcement of the Texas Elementary Teacher of the Year and Secondary Teacher of the year will be in October.



Hats off to Student Nutrition, working hard to reach our students and parents via various social media outlets. This week, KRIS 6 News interviewed Coordinator Brittany Garcia on how the staff utilizes social media to showcase the healthy and nutritious meals prepared each day. The traction on social media and the feature on Channel 6 also got Student Nutrition coverage in the National Nutrition Association newsletter.

You can keep up to date with Student Nutrition via one of their social media platforms:

Facebook - @flourbluffisdnutrition

Twitter - @FBISDNutrition

Instagram - @flourbluffisdnutrition

TikTok - @flourbluffisdnutrition

Snapchat - @fbisdnutrition

Link to the National Nutrition Association newsletter:

**SNA SmartBrief** 





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#### UPDATE ON TRAFFIC CONTROL

This week has been a challenging week regarding traffic in and out of the district. With the help of the Corpus Christi Police Department, Nueces County Constables, and Flour Bluff ISD Police department, we made great improvements each day. This Friday morning, all students were dropped off at the ECC before the tardy bell at 7:45 a.m. Buses made their rounds and finished at the high school, with only one bus arriving after the tardy bell.

Campus	Start Time	Dismissal	Lunch
ECC	7:45 a.m.	3:03 p.m.	10:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.
Primary	7:35 a.m.	2:58 p.m.	10:30 a.m 11:45 a.m.
Elementary	7:35 a.m.	2:58 p.m.	11:30 a.m 1:05 p.m.
Intermediate	7:35 p.m.	3:40 p.m.	10:40 a.m 12:40 p.m.
Junior High	8:15 a.m.	3:53 p.m.	11:55 a.m 1:29 p.m.
High School	8:30 a.m.	4:10 p.m.	11:11 a.m 12:45 p.m.

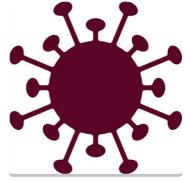
#### **UPDATE FROM FBISD PD**

Chief Tullis is working with local law enforcement to help manage traffic issues surround FBISD campuses.

#### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

For the 2021-2022 school year, staff and students will continue to follow all protocols for COVID-19 at campus and district facilities. To view the District's 2021-2022 Student & Staff Safety Protocols, <u>click here</u>.

The COVID-19 Testing Clinic reopened Monday for the new school year. The testing clinic allows students and staff exhibiting symptoms to have a rapid test completed on-site and free of charge, with results received in



15 minutes. The COVID-19 Testing Clinic is located in a classroom past the Print Shop and Spirit Shop and is open from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. (Noon) each school day.

As of August 13, 2021, we have the following positive COVID-19 cases in the district:

High School - 30 students; 6 staff members

Junior High - 12 students; 2 staff members

Intermediate - 12 students

Elementary - 5 students

Primary - 2 students

ECC - None reported

To keep up to date on COVID-19 positive cases, visit <a href="https://flourbluffschools.net/coronavirus-covid-19-updates/">https://flourbluffschools.net/coronavirus-covid-19-updates/</a>. The Online Tracker is updated each day as new cases are received, and students/staff recover from COVID-19. Additionally, a link to a chart of the running daily total of positive cases for each campus has been added below the tracker chart.

## FBISD Calendar of Events

### Community Advisory Committee Meeting

When

Tuesday, Aug. 17th, 6pm

Where

FBHS Cafeteria



When

Thursday, Aug. 26th, 6pm

Where

Flour Bluff ISD Central Office, Board Room



### **CONTACT INFO**

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