

Board Buzz

Weekly Superintendent Update for the FBISD Board of Trustees

Friday, August 6, 2021 - Volume 2; Edition 1

Thank you for your service and dedication to our district! As school board members, you all guided, supported, and approved the recommendation to increase pay for staff, teachers, and administrators! We appreciate the time you spent with us at the table working through the numbers to reach the approval process Thursday night!

We can improve and have already started planning for the next budget cycle by addressing the recommendations provided in the TASB Staffing Review. We are optimistic that by addressing these recommendations and collaborating with our campus administrators, we will see larger pay increases in the future!

Today, excitement was in the air as I visited campus during Sneak Peeks, Meet the Teacher Sessions, and Fish Fest! Parents and students showed up in droves! It was a great sight! Students will join us Tuesday, August 10!

Be Safe! Be Strong! Bee a Hornet!



WELCOME BACK FLOUR BLUFF STAFF!

Cakes were delivered to every campus and department this morning to welcome everyone to the 2021-2022 school year. TOGETHER WE CAN...INSPIRE. FOSTER. EMPOWER.



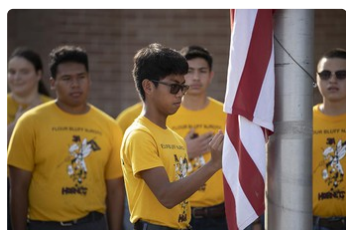
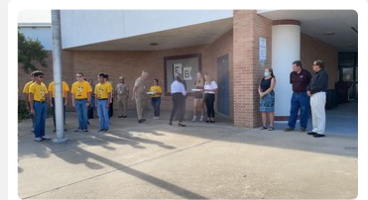
LAND PURCHASE (721 PURDUE) CLOSING

It's official! FBISD has acquired 721 Purdue! The administration will be meeting soon to discuss the demolition of the structure(s) on the property. Thank you so much for being so supportive!



DR. DAVID FREEMAN REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

Dr. David Freeman Memorial



TEA RELEASES REMOTE CONFERENCING INSTRUCTION FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

On August 5, 2021, the Texas Education Agency (TEA) announced changes to the Student Attendance Accounting Handbook to add Remote Conferencing. Remote Conferencing is a method of instruction by which the district can provide remote instruction to students who meet certain requirements.

For the students to be allowed to use remote conferencing, students must meet two requirements:

- The student is unable to attend school because of a temporary medical condition.
- The total amount of remote conferencing instruction does not exceed more than 20 instructional days over the entirety of the school year.

In addition, one of the following requirements also must be met:

- The student's temporary medical condition is documented by a physician licensed to practice in the United States.
- The documentation must include a statement from the physician that the student is to remain confined to their home or a hospital.
- The student has a positive test result for a communicable condition listed in 25 TAC §97.7.
- The student has been identified as having been in close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19.

Additionally:

- If the documented temporary medical condition persists longer than 20 instructional days over the entirety of the school year, the district must submit a waiver request for an extension of remote conferencing beyond the allowable cumulative 20 instructional day period.
- Students participating through remote conferencing will be considered present if they receive four hours of instruction each school day.
- Remote conferencing cannot be concurrent with other instruction, which means remote students must not be taught by a teacher who is also teaching in-person students at the same time.

Flour Bluff ISD administration and campus principals met immediately following the release of this information from TEA to analyze and discuss our options for utilizing remote conferencing as an instructional option for students who meet the requirements.

Principals at each campus are planning to collaborate with their staff over the next few days to develop plans tailored to the specific needs of their students and staff. We will provide further updates to parents as decisions are made.

TRAFFIC UPDATE

Flour Bluff ISD has been working closely with the City of Corpus Christi and other entities to enhance traffic flow around the campuses. This week, the District sent out information to parents to provide various avenues for getting to and from the district's campuses. A video was developed that provides information on different routes parents can take during drop-off and release times.

Campuses are also providing additional details to parents regarding specific campus instructions regarding drop-off and pick-up procedures.

Flour Bluff ISD Traffic Video



SCHOOL SAFETY

We presented information on the Texas State Safety Center's Standard Response Protocols on the last Board Buzz. This week staff training on the protocols is in full swing. The following is a PowerPoint presentation uses at the high school to train all staff.



Safety Response Protocols_HS_2021-2022.pdf

[Download](#)

1.5 MB

OPERATIONS & SCHOOL LEADERSHIP UPDATE


On Friday, July 30th administration held principal and assistant principal meetings. Each meeting started with our vision, mission, goals, and belief statements. Superintendent Velma Soliz-Garcia gave principals information on the board meeting budget process and the TASB staffing review and attrition plan. She also went over the Governor's order restricting mask mandates and the impact on the district's Covid-19 Protocols. Other members of the leadership team shared pertinent information on the opening of the school year.

In the afternoon, assistant principals meet to go over items that impact what they do day in and day out. The team went over the newly approved student code of conduct, changes to the student/parent handbooks, the standard response protocols, and resources from TASB to help implement Chapter 37 Education Code, which guides disciplinary decision-making.

UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE OFFICE

Benefits Open Enrollment Season is here

New hires and current employees who would like to sit down with an enroller will have the opportunity for onsite enrollment at the following locations and times:

**FLOUR BLUFF ISD**

2021-2022 BENEFITS

OPEN ENROLLMENT

IT'S TIME TO ENROLL IN YOUR BENEFITS!

Please have the following information with you to help with the enrollment process:

- Employee ID
- Social Security Number
- Date of Birth
- PIN: Last four of your social followed by last two of your birth year
- **Dependents Information**



Before you speak with a Benefit Counselor, please have the following information ready: **dependents' names, birth dates, social security numbers, addresses, and phone numbers.**

Benefits Service Center | (855) 731-4460
Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM (CST)
Saturday: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM (CST)

For self-enrollment visit:
<https://chubb.benselect.com/enroll/login>

New Teacher
Date: August 2nd
Time: 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM
Location: HS Teacher Theater

High School
Date: August 9th
Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: HS Teacher Theater

Junior High
Date: August 4th
Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: TBD

Intermediate
Date: August 17th
Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: Room 27

Primary
Date: August 12th
Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: Room 6

Elementary
Date: August 13th
Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: Room 115

ECC
Date: August 16th
Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: Room 8

Auxiliary
Date: August 11th
Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: TBD

Central Office
Date: August 5th & 10th
Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: Board Room

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Technology help is on the way!!!

We are so happy to have all staff back. With staff back, it is inevitable that the technology work order system is now inundated with support ticket requests.

Thankfully, all our technology personnel are happy, willing, and able to help.



FBISD PD UPDATE

FBISD PD trained all week with CCISD Police Department.

Security Officers are back to work this week.

We will provide the board an update on the Police Department at the August 26 Board Meeting.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

[Click here](#) to keep up-to-date on the progress of all House and Senate Bills and other legislative activity.



COVID-19 UPDATE AND ONLINE TRACKER

For the 2021-2022 school year, staff and students will continue to follow all protocols for COVID-19 at campus and district facilities. This week, the District released the 2021-2022 Student & Staff Safety Protocols. [Click here to view](#). In addition, we released a video for parents providing an overview of updated districtwide protocols.

Beginning on Monday, the COVID-19 Testing Clinic will reopen for the 2021-2022 school year. The testing clinic is for students and staff who are exhibiting symptoms to have a rapid test completed with results in 15 minutes. It will be in a new location this year. The COVID-19 Testing Clinic will be held in a classroom past the Print Shop and Spirit Shop and open from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. (Noon).

At this time, we have 12 reported positive cases. To keep up-to-date on COVID-19 positive cases, visit

<https://flourbluffschoools.net/coronavirus-covid-19-updates/>. The Online Tracker is updated each day as new cases are received, and students/staff recover from COVID-19.

COVID - 19 Protocols 2021



MEET THE TEACHER/CHECK OUT THE CAMPUS

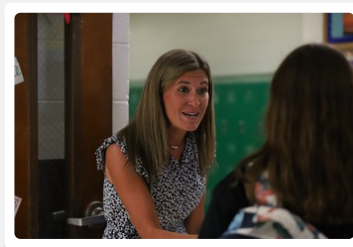
The Intermediate, Junior High, and High School campuses held Meet the Teacher and Check Out the Campus events this week. In addition, the High School welcomed all incoming freshmen and students new to the campus for Fish Fest.

ECC, Primary and Elementary campuses are hosting Meeting the Teacher on Monday.

ECC, Primary, & Elementary Meet the Teacher

Monday, August 9

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.



Sneak Peeks/ Meet the Teacher & Check Out the Campus



Flour Bluff Elementary Sneak Peek

Tuesday, July 27
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Flour Bluff Primary Sneak Peek

Wednesday, July 28
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Flour Bluff Intermediate Sneak Peek

Thursday, July 29
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Flour Bluff ECC Sneak Peek

Monday, August 2
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Flour Bluff Intermediate Meet the Teacher

Friday, August 6
8 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Noon)

Flour Bluff Junior High Meet the Teacher/Check Out the Campus

Friday, August 6
9 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Noon)

Flour Bluff High School Check Out the Campus

Friday, August 6
9 a.m.- 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Fish Fest (Orientation for Incoming 9th Graders & Students New to the High School)

Friday, August 6
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

ECC, Primary and Elementary Meet the Teacher

Monday, August 9
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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FBISD Calendar of Events

Community Advisory Committee Meeting

When

Tuesday, Aug. 17th, 6pm

Where

FBHS Cafeteria

Regular Meeting of the FBISD Board of Trustees

When

Thursday, Aug. 26th, 6pm

Where

Flour Bluff ISD Central Office, Board Room



CONTACT INFO



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