

# Board Buzz

Weekly Superintendent Update for the FBISD Board of Trustees

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## SUMMER IS HERE!

Summer is here and a new timer has started! We have approximately seven weeks before our teachers return and quickly thereafter our students will follow! We are focused on the WORK - job fairs, interviews, curriculum writing, strategic planning, and the list goes on! In the meantime, our Hornets are busy hitting the books at Summer School, attending Summer Camps, or joining us for a free meal! Everyone is buzzing around - we're swarming the hive! We hope you will enjoy this week's Board Buzz - you may need to take a break while reading through it though because there is a lot going on!

Have a great weekend!

## FLOUR BLUFF ISD JOB FAIR!

A Flour Bluff ISD Job Fair is set for Thursday, June 10. This will be an opportunity for individuals interested in open positions across the District to take part in on-site interviews conducted by campus or department administrators. The District has a variety of open positions available including teachers, counselors, instructional and paraprofessionals, bus drivers, cafeteria, maintenance and custodial staff.

### **FBISD Job Fair**

Thursday, June 10

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

FB Primary/Elementary Cafeteria

**FLOUR BLUFF** ISD

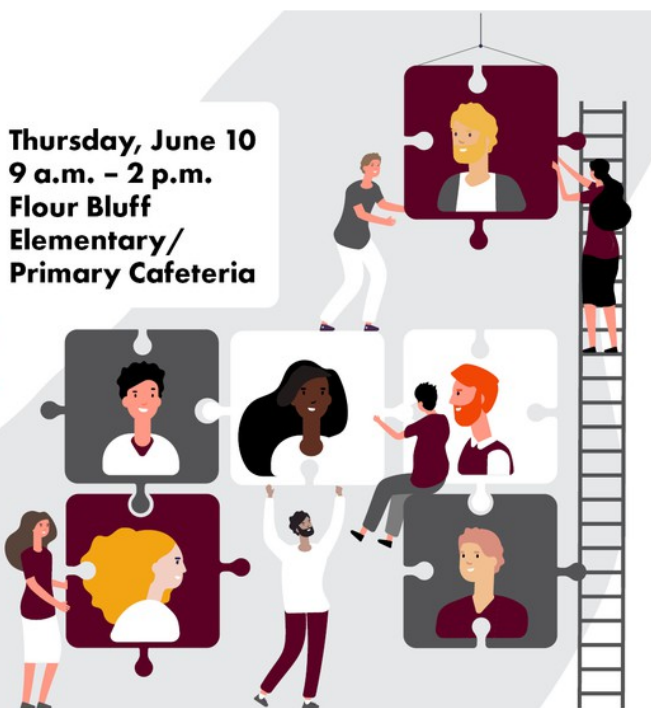
# Job Fair

**Hiring Teachers, Counselors, Instruction and Auxiliary Paraprofessionals, Bus Drivers, Cafeteria, Maintenance, and Custodial Staff**

- On-site Interviews
- Bring copies of resumes, certifications, transcripts, and references
- Complete application online – [flourbluffschoos.net](http://flourbluffschoos.net)

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## FLOUR BLUFF ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL DR. NIKOL YOUNGBERG ASSUMES ADDITIONAL ROLE AS DISTRICT CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION DIRECTOR

Flour Bluff Elementary Principal, Dr. Nikol Youngberg will begin an expanded role in Flour Bluff Independent School District as the Curriculum & Instruction Director for PreK – 4th grades. Additionally, she will mentor principals at the Flour Bluff Early Childhood Center and Flour Bluff Primary campus.



“This is a new initiative to align curriculum over the three elementary level campuses in our district,” said Velma Soliz-Garcia, Flour Bluff ISD Superintendent of Schools. “We have amazing and talented leaders throughout our district. Our forward momentum of becoming a premier district includes building capacity within the organization and giving our staff opportunities to grow professionally. In turn, the district positions itself to ensure educational success for all students.”

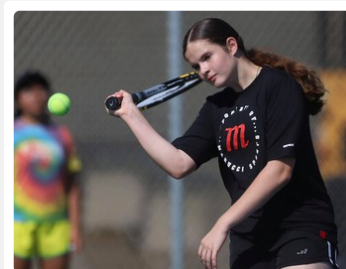
Dr. Youngberg has been with Flour Bluff ISD for 17 years. Ten of those years she has served as the principal of Flour Bluff Elementary.

“I am so excited for this opportunity to extend my leadership role and work alongside the amazing teachers and administration at the ECC and the Primary campuses in addition to the Elementary campus,” said Dr. Youngberg. “My goal in my expanded role as the Director of Curriculum and Instruction PK-4 is to foster well-being and success for students and staff. This will be accomplished by providing support and guidance in the development, alignment, implementation, and data analysis of the PK-4th grade curriculum and instruction through professional learning communities rooted in respect, trust, and collaboration.”

Dr. Youngberg will continue her leadership role as the principal of Flour Bluff Elementary and has begun her additional role as PreK-4 Curriculum & Instruction Director.

# ATHLETIC SUMMER PROGRAMS

Athletic summer programs are in full-swing. This week the Athletics Department kicked-off a variety of summer campus including baseball, basketball, football, soccer, tennis, track and volleyball. Additional summer programs will continue next week. The first session of summer swim lessons also began this week. Check out the chart below for the full athletic summer program schedule.



FLOUR BLUFF ISD - 2021 Summer Athletic Camps

PROGRAM	GRADES	DATES	HOURS	LOCATION	COMMENTS
Baseball Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: Unlimited	Incoming 4th - 9th Graders	June 1 - June 4	Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Baseball Field	All camp registrations and payments will be completed on-line by individual camp. Registration is not complete until payment is submitted. If you are unable to register on-line please call Mrs. Weaver 8:00am to 4:00pm at (361) 694-9276
Boy's Basketball Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: 60 Campers	Incoming 3rd - 9th Graders	June 7 - June 10	Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Varsity Gym	
Girl's Basketball Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: 50 Campers	Incoming 7th - 9th Graders	June 1 - June 4	Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Varsity Gym	
Football Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: Unlimited	Incoming 3rd - 8th Graders	Aug 3 - Aug 5	Tuesday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Field House	All Covid protocols will continue to be implemented for all Camps All Camps require a completed and signed UIL Physical form. Download form from FBISD website
Boys Soccer Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: 50 Campers	Incoming 6th - 9th Graders	June 1 - June 4	Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Stadium Field	
Girls Soccer Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: 50 Campers	Incoming 6th - 9th Graders	June 1 - June 4	Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Stadium Field	
Softball Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: 50 Campers	Incoming 6th - 9th Graders	June 7 - June 10	Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Softball Field	
Tennis Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: 50 Campers	Incoming 6th - 8th Graders	June 1 - June 4	Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Tennis Courts	
Volleyball Camp Fee: \$50.00 Limit: 60 Campers	Incoming 7th - 9th Graders	June 1 - June 4	Tuesday thru Friday 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Varsity Gym	
<b>Camp Registration Website</b>		Registration starts: 5-3-21 <a href="https://athletics.flourbluffschoools.net">https://athletics.flourbluffschoools.net</a>			

AAU Track Fee: \$50.00 Registration: 5-15-21 (9am - 11am) @ Athletic Facility	Ages 5-18	June 1 - June 26	May 20, 24, 25 @ 4:15 - 5:30pm June 1 - June 25 Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Varsity Track	AAU Summer Track <b>REQUIRES</b> a Physical
Swimming Lessons Fee: \$50.00 Registration: 5-26-21 6pm @ Natatorium	Beginners to Level 3	June 1 - June 10 <b>1st Session</b>	Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.	Natatorium	Registration for Summer Track and Swimming Lessons 1 & 2 are in person. See Program Information for registration dates
Swimming Lessons (Session 2) Fee: \$50 Registration: 6-11-21 8:30am @ Natatorium	Beginners to Level 3	June 14 - June 24 <b>2nd Session</b>	Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Natatorium	
TAFF Summer Swim Team Registration: On-line FBISD website Fee: \$125.00	Ages 5-18	May 17 - July 16th	May: Monday - Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 pm June & July: Monday - Thursday 9:00 - 10:00am	Natatorium	
OPEN VARSITY GYM No Fee	Incoming 7th - 12th Graders	June 1 - July 29	Monday thru Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Varsity Gym	
Weight Room (OPEN) No Fee	Incoming 7th - 12th Graders	June 1 - July 29	Monday thru Friday 7:00 am - 12:00 p.m.	Field House	
Strength and Conditioning No Fee	Incoming 7th - 12th Graders	July 5 - July 29	Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am - 10:00 a.m.	Field House	

## FLOUR BLUFF ISD ATHLETICS NAMES NEW HEAD BASEBALL COACH

Flour Bluff Independent School District (FBISD) Athletics Department has announced the selection of Jesse Buttler as the new Flour Bluff High





School Varsity Baseball Coach. Coach Buttler currently serves as the Assistant Varsity Coach for the Hornet Baseball program.

"It's a great day for Hornet Baseball and Flour Bluff Athletics," said Coach Chris Steinbruck, Flour Bluff ISD Athletic Director. "Coach Buttler's passion for our Hornets, Hornet Baseball, and our entire school community is contagious and unwavering. We are so excited for him and the future of Hornet Baseball!"

Coach Buttler has been a teacher and coach in Flour Bluff ISD for the past 17 years. He began coaching in 2008 and has been the Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach since 2011. In addition to coaching, Buttler also teaches U.S. History and dual credit courses through the University of Texas OnRamps program at Flour Bluff High School.

"I am extremely grateful and excited for the opportunity to be Flour Bluff's next head baseball coach," said Coach Jesse Buttler. "There is a rich foundation of community and culture that has been established by Coach Weikum during his tenure here at Flour Bluff, and I am thankful to have had the opportunities to play for Coach Weikum and coach alongside him. I intend to uphold the high expectations that have been a part of this program over the years. I look forward to leading our program and representing our community with Class, Pride, and Heart."

Coach Buttler holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and a Master of Science degree in Secondary Education from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. He was named the Flour Bluff ISD secondary Teacher of the Year in 2018.

Coach Buttler replaces long-time head baseball coach, Ron Weikum, who retired at the end of the school year after serving 39 years in education teaching and coaching baseball.

## UPCOMING BUDGET WORKSHOPS

### **Administrators' Budget Workshop**

Thursday, June 10

Administration Bldg. - Board Room

### **Board Budget Workshop**

Tuesday, June 15

Administration Bldg. - Board Room

5:30 p.m.



## ADMINISTRATORS' SUMMER PROJECTS

*Moving Our To Do List To Done!*

The administrative team has our sleeves rolled up and are working on quite the summer to do list. With just over eight weeks until teachers return, we are busy hiring critical positions, taking the necessary steps to get our construction projects started, working to secure the ESSER III funds, and finalizing the district scorecard. District and campus administration are also working on the district

## MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS SUMMER PROJECTS

The Maintenance & Operations Department is working on getting the chilled water loop that supplies the Varsity Gym re-routed so we can get A/C back to the building.

The Transportation Department is busy working on cleaning up bus routes for next year.

The summer paint crew started painting the Special Education building and re-stripping the parking lots.



## UPDATE FROM CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

### *Summer Projects and Planning for Fall*

During the months of June and July, PreK-12 teachers will be working on planning and writing curriculum for the next school year. Teachers' focus over the summer will be to review the Scope and Sequence for each content area, the Instructional Focus Documents in all subject areas, and working on creating assessments. Our goal over the next two years is to create a centralized location using the OneNote platform to house all district curriculum and make them accessible to all grade levels. This project also includes a district-wide update to all lesson plans and instructional documents and templates.

The ECC, Primary, and Elementary campuses will be writing curriculum over the summer. The schedule is below.

The Primary and Elementary conducted joint interviews for librarian positions and are very excited by our top choices. Both are excellent candidates with a passion for library science, teaching the love of reading, and highly skilled in instructional technology. They will be able to continue our outstanding library programs and will be an amazing support and resource for our teachers. Once we get going, we look forward to inviting the school board and superintendent to see the Primary/Elementary library in action.

The first cohort of teachers and administrators have completed or are near completion of the Reading Academies. These academies taught us the "Science of Reading" and is mandated for all Kinder-3rd grade teachers and principals as part of HB3. This online in-depth course included 13 Modules of instruction that included discussions, quizzes, and artifacts for completion. Concepts covered included Establishing a Literacy Community, Using Assessment Data to Inform Instruction, Oral Language, Phonological Awareness, Alphabet Knowledge, Print Concepts, and Handwriting, Decoding, Encoding, and Word Study, Reading Fluency, Reading Comprehension, Composition, Tiered Supports, and Reading Difficulties. This was all completed in addition to teaching and administration duties. We are very proud of our teachers that have completed these pieces of training. We also have

learned what is needed to better support the next cohorts of teachers as they navigate this rigorous course.

For eight of us that did not get enough from reading academies (lol), we have embarked on a summer professional development book study on the book Shifting the Balance. This book embarks on visiting the integration of the approaches of the "science of reading" and "balanced literacy." The book is geared for PK-2/3 and will help us as we embark on strengthening our phonemic proficiency during our reading instruction this year, specifically through the use of Really Great Reading.

Lastly, the ECC, Primary, and Elementary Administration teams are actively working on our master schedules, student placements, calendar of events, and hiring for the upcoming school year. The ECC, in addition, is putting all the final touches on the integration of the new Full Day Pre-K program.

## 2021-22 Curriculum Writing

Campus	Dates	Teachers
ECC	Jul 21-23 8-11, 12-3 ECC cafeteria	PK (3) Emily Covington- Jul 19-23 Almaguer- Jul 19-21, would prefer earlier, good for Jul 21-23 Ruiz- Jul 19-23 Kindergarten (7) Denise McCoy- Jul 21-23, any subject Angie Reneau- Jul 19-21, Math/Science or any Jennifer Sherard- Jul 19-23, Science Shannon Mayo- Jul 19-23, ELA or SS Krystal Morais- Jul 19-23, ELA or math Tracy Bujnoch- Jul 19-23 Kaitlyn Villarreal- Jul 19-23, any subject
Primary	July 20-22 8-11, 12-3 Library	1 <sup>st</sup> grade ELA – Molina, Brewer, Schillinger, Knauss Math – Smith, Perez Science – Pape SS – Ames  2 <sup>nd</sup> grade ELA – Sullivan, Rodriguez, Crowe, Berger Math – Chavez, Tapia Science – Moore SS – McFall
Elementary	3rd grade: ELA June 7, 8, 9, 10 1-4 and then Fri June 11 8-2:30 Math Jul 26-28, 29 flex day  4th grade: June 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, and 10 from 1-4	3rd grade ELA: Osborn, Jones, Nelson, Sykes? Math/Sci/SS: Featherby, Elliott, Hurst, Dyckman  4th grade ELA: McAliley, Ames, Alvarado, Ainsworth Math/Science/SS: Flores, Fordyce, Messina, Ready

## UPDATE on PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### *Summer Offerings for Teachers*

*Reading Academy* Cohort 2 teachers and administrators are signed up and ready to begin in July. We will have two cohorts, one for administrators and one for teachers. Teachers will have until June of 2023 to complete the academy. Our K-4 Curriculum Supervisors will be meeting with them over the school year to help ensure all teachers complete the academy on time and provide any guidance or support they may need throughout the year.

*Really Great Reading* Professional Development will be provided to all K-3 teachers the first week in August. We are currently solidifying those dates. Teachers and principals are very excited to bring this program to the district. This is not a completely new program; a few teachers in grades K-3 have piloted the program and have found great success with their students. Therefore, based on the feedback from teachers and campus principals, they have asked the district to purchase the program for all grades K-3.

*Dyslexia Training* - a week of training by *Reading by Design* will occur at the ESC2 July 26-30.

*Gifted and Talented Training* - Teachers over the summer will be able to complete their 6-hour GT update training using an online platform called Responsive Learning. In addition, we will have 10 teachers seeking their 30 hours of training to teach GT students.

*OnRamps* - We are expanding our courses to offer one additional section of OnRamps English and 2 new sections of OnRamps Pre-Calculus. The new instructors for these courses will attend training the week of July 12-23. In addition, all returning OnRamps instructors will have their summer training the week of July 6-8.

K-12 Statewide *STEM Teacher Training* June 1-3 at the ESC-2

*Advancement Mathematics of Teaching (CAMT) Conference* will be held on July 19-21 for 8th-grade math teachers.

Our Hornet faculty and staff are taking advantage of every given opportunity to grow professionally!

## TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT SUMMER PROJECTS

During June, the Technology Department is working on getting some of our disconnected buildings connected, updating technology starting from JH down, and getting Chromebook carts back in working order.

Some of our gyms have had limited services but we are going to be giving them a major upgrade. The Primary, Elementary, Wranosky, and Varsity Gyms will now have dedicated internet drops as well as Wi-Fi. We will be working on getting all laptops and desktops up on the latest version of Windows as well as working with the Librarians on getting the Chromebooks back onto carts where needed.







## June Breakfast Menu

## June Lunch Menu

## FBISD POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



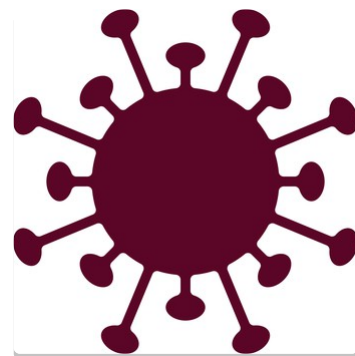


## COVID-19 UPDATE AND ONLINE TRACKER

The Online Tracker is updated each day as new cases are received and students/staff recover from COVID-19. To review the COVID-19 Online Tracker and Re-Opening Plan, click the link below...

<https://flourbluffschoools.net/coronavirus-covid-19-updates/>

Staff members and students continue to follow all protocols put in-place for COVID-19 at the campus and district facilities because of this we continue to see minimal cases of COVID-19. At this time, we have no reported positive cases.



### FBISD Calendar of Events

#### Regular Meeting of the Flour Bluff ISD Board of Trustees

When

Thursday, June 24th, 6pm

Where

FBISD Board Room



#### CONTACT INFO



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