

Falcon Families,

We hope you are enjoying these final days of summer with your families. Although, the excitement to open this new school sure is building in our community.

Tours - Thank you to everyone that came out for the school tours Sunday afternoon. This is an amazing community. Some of you waited an hour to get into the tours and were very gracious about it. Again, we do apologize for the wait some had to endure. We estimate we had over 1600 guests join us for the tours. We greatly appreciated all your positive attitudes and comments during and after the event. You all demonstrated why this is such an amazing community.

Growth – We continue to register students. To meet this need we continue to hire staff. We hired a new teacher as recently as this morning. With this growth, I am confident we will continue to need additional teachers shortly after the school year starts. I will hold back the long explanation about the class size amendment, budgets, and students in seats. There will be classes that will grow to need an additional teacher in them. There will also be classes that begin with two teachers that will spilt into two classes. To prepare we are doing as much as we can to minimize the impact these changes will have on the school and individual students. Unfortunately, with the growth we are seeing, these changes are unavoidable. When you get your welcome to school packet you will receive a letter from the superintendent with more information about this. This letter is sent every year, but will really apply to FCA this year.

Meet the Teacher / Orientation:

Below is information concerning Orientation that we will have this week. If possible, we recommend coming an hour or so after the orientation starts to give time to the crowds to settle down. Please allow the call coming from the automated service to go to voice mail.

Kindergarten students – Kindergarten teachers will make a personal call to their students on Tuesday. Kindergarten Orientation will be Wednesday evening, 5:30pm – 7:30pm

First through Fifth Graders – These teachers will be calling students on Wednesday in preparation for their Orientation on Thursday, 8:00 - 11:00 am.

Sixth Graders – As you have several teachers you will not be receiving a phone call. Sixth graders will need to report to Orientation Thursday, 6:00pm – 7:30pm.

While you are here at orientation please be sure to visit the cafeteria. The following groups will be in the cafeteria to answer any questions, set up accounts and sell you school spirit wear.

- Extended Day
- PTO
- Transportation
- Cafeteria

Students are encouraged to bring any school supplies to orientation so they do not have to carry them the first day of school. Please know that orientation is a time to orientate to the school, find classrooms and meet teachers. We have scheduled parent conferences later in the semester.

Kindergarten Staggered Start – Our Kindergarten students will have a staggered start from Friday through Tuesday. A small group of students in each class attend each day. This gives them a time to get to know the teacher, meet some friends and learn about school. We will have a sign-up-genius for our families to pick the day their child will attend. All kindergarten students will attend on Wednesday, August 15.

Walking your child to class – We know this is a very exciting time for everyone and you will want to walk your child to class. We will allow parents to walk their child to class Friday and Monday. Kindergarten parents may walk their children Friday to Friday. Please try to only walk them to class two days. Beginning Monday, August 20th, you must be an approved volunteer to enter the school. Anyone wishing to enter the school or pick up their child must also have their photo I.D. with them.

We will be sending out another message in the next day or two concerning traffic patterns. Thank you for your time and for reading the safety letter in the previous message.

Have a Great Day and GO FALCONS!!!!