

# FAIRVIEW PANTHER PRIDE AUGUST 2015

# **School Hours**

- School doors open at 8:30 a.m.
- School day begins at 8:45 a.m.
- School dismissed at 3:30 p.m.

# **Class Placement and Transportation Information**

• A Blackboard Connect email will be going out to parents on August 10<sup>th</sup> with your child's class placement and bus information. If you don't receive an e-mail on the 10<sup>th</sup>, please notify Fairview's office starting August 11<sup>th</sup>, and we can provide you with this information.

# **Breakfast Program**

• A breakfast program is operational in all District schools prior to the start of the school day. The program focuses on good nutrition and developing healthy eating habits. Monthly breakfast menus are posted on the District web site at <a href="www.wssd.k12.pa.us">www.wssd.k12.pa.us</a>. Students use their Point of Sale pre-paid accounts for breakfast. The cost for breakfast at the elementary school during the 2015-2016 school year will be \$1.50, the price for a reduced breakfast will be \$0.30. The charge for milk will be \$0.60.

Please complete the free and reduced lunch application at the start of the school year for your family. This form is available on line, visit www.wssd.k12.pa.us and click on "Free & Reduced Price Meal Applications." It is very important that we have every student's form, as the school receives funding based on this information.

# **Lunch Time Change**

- We welcome and encourage families to come to Fairview to eat lunch with their child. Please ensure to stop in the office to receive a visitor's pass. This year there will be a slight change in lunch times, please see below:
- 1<sup>st</sup> grade- 11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade- 11:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade- 11:45 a.m. -12:15 p.m.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade- 12:00 p.m. -12:30 p.m.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade- 12:15 p.m. -12:45 p.m.
- Cost of elementary lunch this year will be \$2.45; reduced price lunch- \$0.40; charge of milk \$0.60

Check out the district webpage (under food services), for the menu items for the beginning of the school year.

# **Recess Policy**

• With the increasing safety measures that we continue to implement at Fairview, similar to last year, parents and family members will not be permitted to attend recess with their child after the lunch period is over. Please be sure to sign out in the office after lunch is over.

# **Car Rider Drop-off Procedures**

- Please be mindful of your speed as you travel through the parking lot; we would hate to see anyone get injured because of speeding
- As many parents are dropping off students in the morning, please be sure that as you pull up to the front of the building you have students quickly gather their belongings, as to not hold up the line of traffic
- If you plan on getting out with your child at drop off time, it is preferred that you park in one of the parking spots to do so

# <u>Car Rider Pick-up Procedures:</u> Dismissal Procedures at the End of the Day for K-5 Car Rider Students

- Dismissal time will remain the same at 3:30 PM.
- Parents that have arranged a pick-up schedule with the office, call in ahead on any given day by 2:59 p.m., or send a note to the office by 2:59 p.m. will be called to the office hallway at 3:30 p.m. to stand quietly and wait for parents at dismissal time. Parents will report to the side door by the office hallway. Parents/guardians will report their child's name and the staff member on duty will check the student off on the pick-up sheet. Upon completion of this process their child will be released for dismissal from these side doors. At no time will parents enter the building through these side doors. If you need to report to the office for any reason you will have to go through the front doors. If you arrive after 3:40 p.m. to pick up your child, you will have to report to the front vestibule to pick them up. A Fairview staff member will be present to facilitate these procedures.
- Parents that **notify the office after 3:00 p.m.** will have to report to the front of the building to pick-up their child. Inside the front door vestibule parents will sign the pick-up sheet and wait until their child's name is called for dismissal at 3:35. Children will be dismissed out of these front doors and be released to parents/guardians. Parents will no longer be permitted to enter the building to sign-out and wait for their child. A staff member will be present to facilitate these procedures.

# **Drop-off and Pick-up Procedures for Kindergarten**

- Kindergarten pick-up parents for AM kindergarten will wait in the front door vestibule until the teacher comes to the door to dismiss the students. Parents will no longer be permitted to enter the building and wait for their student(s).
- Kindergarten drop off- parents for PM kindergarten will wait in the front door vestibule until the teacher comes to the door to let students in. Parents will no longer be permitted to enter the building and wait with their student(s).

# Mission

The West Shore School District is committed to providing this generation with a quality education serving as a foundation for responsible and successful citizenship.

## Vision

- The vision of the West Shore School District is to continuously cultivate a safe and invitational school climate that welcomes the involvement of students, parents, educators, staff, and the community.
- Working cooperatively, the school community will nurture lifelong learners who adapt to the diverse and changing global society.
- The District insists upon a dynamic approach to teaching and learning that fosters continuous improvement.

# Goals

Building, staff, and student goals will be set as data is analyzed and needs are identified. The goal statements will be posted throughout the building and on the school webpage. All stakeholders will be working toward these common goals at Fairview to accomplish our District Mission and Vision.

# Behavior Expectations for Fairview-Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)

There are 3 underlying expectations for behavior at Fairview: Respect, Responsible, and Safe. No matter where students are at in the building they are expected to model these behaviors. There are friendly reminder posters in classrooms, specialist rooms, in the hallway, in the lunch room, and on the bus. For the 15-16 school year we have created a PANTHER acronym to remind students what it means to exhibit behaviors of responsibility, respect, and safety everywhere.

Panther Pride Pledge:

We are....Responsible, Respectful, and Safe!!

Practicing school safety
Accepting responsibility
Noticing when others need a helping hand
Taking care of my classroom and school
Handling conflict with care
Embracing others differences
Respecting adults and peers
Showing my best effort

# **Principal 100 Club**

The goal of the PBIS, Principal 100 Club Program is to: (1) assure a positive school environment (respectful, responsible, and safe). (2) increase desirable, prosocial student behaviors, (3) decrease bullying, teasing, defiance, disrespect, and (4) provide multiple levels of praise for the student, plus positive communication with parents.

Students "caught" displaying exemplary behaviors in responsibility, respect, and safety, will receive a yellow "Way to Go!" ticket from any of our staff members. If your child is awarded with this ticket, they will report to the office before lunch time. They will sign Fairview's Celebrity Book of Fame, and pick a number from 1 to 100. Their name will be placed on the 100's board in the office with that corresponding number. That student will receive a positive ticket home, a small prize, and their name will be read over the morning announcements. Once

we have a complete line of 10 numbers, across, up and down, or diagonally, each of those 10 students will receive a **NEW and IMPROVED** Fairview Principal's 100 Club t-shirt.

Our hope this year is to recognize even more students for exemplary behaviors. We hope to recognize all students each time the chart of 100 is complete by taking a special trip as a group. Please be mindful, that this program recognizes behaviors that go above and beyond the normal, daily expectations of Fairview Elementary School.

# Panther of the Month

Each month Fairview staff also recognizes students who show exemplary behaviors with important character traits that make each student an exceptional citizen. Parents are invited to attend this recognition assembly in the beginning of each month as students from each classroom are chosen and showcased. Each student receives a certificate to show them how proud we are of them. They will also have their picture taken for display on the school bulletin board and webpage. *We have created some new character traits for this school year*. These traits will be taught throughout lessons provided by the counselor and content teachers.

# The monthly traits are as follows:

September- Self-Discipline/Responsibility

October- Respect

November-Compassion

December- Helpfulness

January-Patience

February- Integrity

March- Consistency

**April- Perseverance** 

May- Leadership

# **Fairview Professional Staff**

We are so thankful for our dedicated and highly qualified staff members at Fairview. Many of our staff are returning for another wonderful and productive school year! Please help us warmly welcome all of the new staff members that are joining the Fairview team.

- Kindergarten- TBD
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade- Mrs. Erwood
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade- Mrs. Scanlon- We are very excited about our newest teaching edition to 1<sup>st</sup> grade at Fairview, Mrs. Scanlon. In 2014-2015, Mrs. Scanlon served Fairview as a substitute in Kindergarten, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and library.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- Mrs. Bergenstock
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- Mrs. Plever
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- Mrs. Stupka
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- Ms. Fleisher
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- Mrs. Lund
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- Mrs. Harman
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- Mrs. Estep
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- Mrs. Chmiola
- Learning Support- Mrs. Spinella
- Learning Support- Mrs. Frey- Please welcome Mrs. Frey as a new addition this year to our learning support team. She will be servicing students in K, 1, and 2.

- Literacy Specialist- Mrs. Naugle- We are very thankful that Mrs. Naugle will be returning to Fairview again this school year with an increased amount of time. She will be servicing Tier III students in grades 1 to 5 in literacy.
- Art Teacher- Ms. McInroy
- Music and Chorus Teacher- Mrs. Herring
- P.E. Teacher- Mrs. Klumpp- We welcome Mrs. Klumpp back to Fairview as our P.E. teacher on cycle days 1 and 2 this school year.
- P.E. Teacher- Mrs. Wolfe- We welcome Ms. Wolfe to Fairview as our P.E. teacher on cycle day 3 in the a.m.
- Library- Mrs. Metcalfe- We welcome Mrs. Metcalfe to Fairview as our P.E. librarian on cycle days 3 and 5.
- Band Teacher- TBD (cycle day 3 and day 4 in the AM)
- Orchestra Teacher- Mrs. Ketterer We welcome Mrs. Ketterer to Fairview as our orchestra teacher on cycle day 6.
- Speech Therapist- Mrs. Dixon- formerly Ms. Patrick
- Special Interest Teacher- Mrs. Miller
- Special Education IA- Mrs. Peters

# **Fairview Support Staff**

- School secretary- Mrs. Evans
- Building aide- Mrs. Brenneman
- Learning Support Aide- Mrs. Fontanella
- Lunch staff- Mrs. Snelbaker and Mrs. Markel
- Nurses- Mrs. Spaseff, Ms. Wetterhall, and Mrs. Brubaker
- Custodian- Mr. Cohick and Mr. Spar

#### **Assessments for 15-16**

- Classroom Diagnostic Tools- CDTs- 3 times a year; grades 3, 4, and 5
- DIBELS Next- 3 times a year; grades K, 1, and 2
- DRAs- 3 times a year; grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
- Writing Prompts- Narrative, Informational, and Argumentative in 2 forms each- Form A-pre-test prompt and Form B- final writing assessment prompt; given in grade K, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
- Math Assessments-benchmarks from enVision 2.0
- PSSAs:

English Language Arts	April 3-7, 2017	Grades 3, 4, and 5
Mathematics	April 24-28, 2017	Grades 3, 4, and 5
Science	May 1-5, 2017	Grade 4

#### Fairview's Webpage

- Please take the time to visit Fairview's webpage at <a href="http://www.wssd.k12.pa.us/Fairview.cfm">http://www.wssd.k12.pa.us/Fairview.cfm</a>
  The webpage will be used as a way of communicating important information, dates, and parent resources. The webpage will also be a site to celebrate the awesome events and activities that are taking place at your child's school.
- Bi-Monthly Fairview Pride Newsletters will also be placed on the webpage for your convenience

• The 2015-2016 Elementary Parent/Student Handbook will also be posted to the webpage for easy access and review (located on the left under Quick Links).

# **Blackboard Connect**

• In addition to the webpage as a way to communicate with parents, there will also be many messages sent by phone and e-mail to update parents of activities, changes, and any important information. Please make sure that the office has an updated phone and e-mail address (if available) at all times so that this district service reaches you.

# **Additional Information for the 2015-2016 School Year:**

- 1. ELA Curriculum
  - o Balanced Literacy Components to be utilized in each K-5 classroom
    - Read Aloud
    - Shared Reading
    - Guided Reading
    - Independent Reading
    - Word Study
    - Shared, Guided, and Independent Writing

#### 2. Math Curriculum

- O The new math program in the district for grades K-5 will be **enVision**math**2.0**. The program is organized to promote focus, coherence, and rigor. **enVision**math**2.0** fully supports the Common Core State Standards through print, blended, and 1:1 digital learning experiences. It helps engage students, personalize learning, and support teachers as they make data-driven decisions. To view samples, watch videos, and to learn more about this math program visit: <a href="http://www.pearsonschool.com/envisionmath2">http://www.pearsonschool.com/envisionmath2</a>
- 3. Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS), formerly Response to Intervention and Instruction (RtII), will be a framework that we use as we look at academic and behavior data and needs at Fairview.
  - The goals of MTSS are:
  - o For the school to provide effective teaching that fits the needs of each student
  - For the school to make sure the classroom environment is the best possible for every student
  - o To help all students meet grade level standards
  - o To use student data to identify students who may be struggling
  - o To "add to" general education instruction, not "replace" with something different
  - o To provide interventions ("help") as a natural, ongoing part of education that doesn't wait until the student is struggling

# **Fairview Student Textbooks**

- Students will be assigned textbooks in ELA and Math (K-5) and Social Studies and Science (3-5); teachers will document the book(s) and materials assigned to each student for the 15-16 school year.
- Please keep in mind that at the end of the school year teachers will be checking back in textbooks and district materials and if your child is missing a textbook they will be required to pay for the missing book and/or materials.

# New Programs at FV in 15-16

- Girls on the Run
- Big Buddy Program

\*We are very excited about starting these programs at Fairview. More information will be given when these programs start in the 15-16 school year. Mrs. Berfield, our counselor, will be the point of contact for both programs.

# **District Volunteer Info**

The West Shore School District welcomes and encourages volunteers in its schools, classrooms, and as part of extra-curricular activities. For the safety of District students and staff members, any adult wishing to volunteer is required to complete the Volunteer Application Process before being approved to do so. Effective July 1, 2015, the West Shore School District has revised this process to meet the requirements of the Child Protective Services Act of 2014. This Act requires that any *returning* volunteer or prospective volunteer provide the District with:

- An original Act 34 Criminal History Records Check; and an Act 151 Child Abuse History Clearance (Pennsylvania Department of Education version) obtained at the prospective volunteer's expense that is less than one (1) year old at the time of submission. Prospective volunteers, who have not lived in Pennsylvania continuously for the past ten (10) years at the time of application, must provide an Act 111 FBI Criminal History Clearance obtained at the prospective volunteer's expense. Those prospective volunteers who have lived in Pennsylvania continuously for the past ten (10) years at the time of application must sign a disclaimer affirming that there are no charges in other states that would prohibit selection as a volunteer. Clearances must be renewed every thirty-six (36) months. The District reserves the right to require additional information as part of the Volunteer Application Process.
- Evidence of a tuberculosis (TB) test that is less than ninety (90) days old at the time of submission. This test may be administered by appointment and at a cost of \$5.00, by any of the District's Certified School Nurses.

Further information regarding the Volunteer Application Process can be obtained at any school building or at: <a href="http://www.wssd.k12.pa.us/community.cfm?subpage=132452">http://www.wssd.k12.pa.us/community.cfm?subpage=132452</a>

\*These dates are subject to change; please continue to review the webpage for any additional changes to the calendar of events for Fairview

AUGUST				
18 <sup>th</sup>	Kindergarten Open House	12:00-1:00 p.m.		
27 <sup>th</sup>	Back to School Night	6:00 p.m.		
SEPTEMBER				
1 <sup>st</sup>	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.		
11 <sup>th</sup>	Back to School Picnic	5:00-7:00 p.m.		
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Picture Day	9:00 a.m.		
OCTOBER				
6 <sup>th</sup>	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.		
16 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Walk	9:30 a.m.		
	Fall Festival	5:00-7:00 p.m.		
30 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Festival	2:00 p.m.		
NOVEMBER				
3 <sup>rd</sup>	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.		
9 <sup>th</sup>	Picture Retake	1:00 p.m.		

18 <sup>th</sup>	Pastries for Parents	8:00 a.m.	
DECEMBER			
1 <sup>st</sup>	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.	
11 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday Craft Night and Book Fair	5:00-7:00 p.m.	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Holiday Concert at Allen MS	9:30 a.m.	
	Christmas Parties	2:30 p.m.	
JANUARY			
5 <sup>th</sup>	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.	
FEBRUARY			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Dance-a-thon	4:00 p.m.	
11 <sup>th</sup>	Valentine's Day Parties	2:30 p.m.	
MARCH			
1 <sup>st</sup>	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.	
16 <sup>th</sup>	PSSA Breakfast	8:00 a.m.	
	APRIL		
5 <sup>th</sup>	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.	
8 <sup>th</sup>	PSSA Pep Rally	1:30 p.m.	
MAY			
$3^{\rm rd}$	PTO Meeting	7:00 p.m.	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Fun Night and Book Fair	5:00-7:00	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Spring Concert at Allen MS	9:30 a.m./ 7:00 p.m.	
31 <sup>st</sup>	Field Day	9:00 a.m.	
	Open House	5:00-6:30 p.m.	
JUNE			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Field Day Rain Date	9:00 a.m.	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Award Ceremony	2:00 p.m	

# **Panther Proud**

As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. We ask that you help us support your child's learning by ensuring that he/she:

- 1) Attends school daily and arrives on time, ready for the day's learning experience
- 2) Completes all homework assignments given by teachers
- 3) Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills
- 4) Shares school experiences with you so that you are aware of his/her school life
- 5) Informs you if he/she needs additional support in any area or subject
- 6) Knows that you expect him/her to succeed in school and be college and career ready

# We are looking forward to another amazing year here at Fairview!!