

WEEK AT A GLANCE

The latest news and updates from Flat Rock Middle School



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

DEAR FLAT ROCK FAMILIES,

I WANT TO OFFICIALLY WELCOME ALL OF YOU TO THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR AT FLAT ROCK MIDDLE SCHOOL! FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE NEW TO OUR SCHOOL, PLEASE KNOW THAT YOU ARE NOW CONNECTED TO A WONDERFUL PLACE OF TEACHING AND LEARNING. OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF ARE PASSIONATE, CARING, HARDWORKING, AND ALWAYS LEARNING NEW THINGS FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR STUDENTS. WHILE WE ARE A COLLABORATIVE AND DRIVEN GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO TAKE LEARNING SERIOUSLY, WE ALSO STRIVE TO MAKE PERSONAL CONNECTIONS THAT WE KNOW HELP STUDENTS SUCCEED. THIS IS WHY THIS NEW SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE CHALLENGING FOR US ALL, BUT WE ARE UP TO THE CHALLENGE AND READY TO GO FOR A SCHOOL START WITH STUDENTS ON MONDAY, AUGUST 17!

THIS YEAR OUR DISTRICT IS OFFERING TWO TEACHING AND LEARNING PLATFORMS- BRICK AND MORTAR (WHICH WILL FLOW WITHIN A GREEN-YELLOW-RED CONTINUUM) AND VIRTUAL (WHICH IS 100% VIRTUAL). BOTH SETTINGS ARE FOR A SEMESTER COMMITMENT FOR SCHEDULING PURPOSES.

WE WILL CONTINUE TO CONNECT WITH ALL OF OUR FLAT ROCK STUDENTS, WHETHER BRICK AND MORTAR OR VIRTUAL THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. LOOK FOR A WEEKLY COMMUNICATION OF THE WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE (WAAG) EVERY FRIDAY THAT WILL SOON BE SENT VIA SCHOOLOLOGY TO OUR STUDENTS AND PARENTS. THE WAAG WILL CONTAIN UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION AND KEEP ALL OF OUR STUDENTS CONNECTED TO THEIR HOME SCHOOL HAPPENINGS. BELOW IS NEWS TO ASSIST YOU WITH THE START OF SCHOOL

MEET THE TEACHER (ALL STUDENTS)

ALL BRICK & MORTAR AND VIRTUAL TEAM TEACHERS WILL BE MEETING WITH THEIR PARENTS ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 14 VIA ZOOM. PARENTS SHOULD LOOK FOR AN EMAIL WITH A LINK INCLUDING DETAILS SOON ONCE CLASS ROSTERS HAVE BEEN RELEASED. THE MEETING SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:


6TH GRADE- 9:00

7TH GRADE- 10:00

8TH GRADE- 11:00

**BACK TO SCHOOL
DRIVE BY EXPO 2020**

August 15th, 9 AM - 12PM
LaFayette Educational Center (LEC), Bldg. D
205 Lafayette Ave W, Fayetteville, GA 30214



Fayette FACTOR is partnering with the community, the Fayette County Public Schools to address the year's "Back to School Expo Drive by" items of our families have been impacted significantly due to the COVID-19 pandemic and need help to put their students on track for the new school year which they need to be successful.

We need your assistance to fill 200 book bags filled with school supplies. Attached is a list of supplies needed for grades K-12. Items have the quantity list to help. You can choose to purchase anything on the list in the quantity that suits you, or you can make a donation to fill in the gaps of what you can't receive.

Volunteers will collect and stuff the bags with the supplies and vendor information.

Physical Delivery of book bags and school supplies will begin
Monday, August 3rd - August 12th,
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Drop Location: 205 Lafayette Drive, Building B, Fayetteville 30214
(Physical deliveries will be completed from 9:00 through August 12)

Drop off location Phone: 770-480-3990 ext 1101

Financial Donations by Flat Delivery
Make checks payable to Fayette FACTOR, Inc. 205 W. Fayetteville, GA 30214.
Checks deadline date is Friday, August 13. Online a preference is stated.
We request receipt by Monday, August 13. Online a preference is stated.
Financial donations will be used to purchase the supplies and school supplies or if requests are made by schools to help keep students safe.

A HUGE THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!!

www.fayettefactor.org

BRICK & MORTAR FAMILIES

- SCHOOL HOURS: 8:10-3:10
- HALF OF THE STUDENTS IN THE BUILDING AT A TIME (AA-C-BB) (SEE SCHEDULE SPECIFICS FOR YELLOW/HYBRID BELOW)
- STUDENTS ARE DIVIDED INTO A & B GROUPS BASED ON THE ALPHABET & SIBLINGS (TBD BY DISTRICT).

ARRIVAL

OUR SCHOOL DAY BEGINS WITH STUDENTS IN HOMEROOM AT 8:10 EACH DAY. ALL STUDENTS WILL ENTER THROUGH THE GYM DOORS BEGINNING AT 7:40 AND TRAVEL DIRECTLY TO THEIR HOMEROOM CLASS. STUDENTS WHO ARRIVE AT 8:10 OR AFTER MUST COME TO THE OFFICE THROUGH THE FRONT DOORS FOR A TARDY PASS. IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY, PLEASE AVOID DROPPING OFF STUDENTS BEFORE 7:40. THERE IS NO SUPERVISION IN THE CLASSROOMS, HALLS, OR OUTSIDE BEFORE THIS TIME.

DROP OFF AND DISMISSAL/PICK UP

STUDENTS ARE DROPPED OFF IN THE MORNING ALONG THE SIDEWALK AREA IN FRONT OF THE GYM ENTRY. TO ALLOW THE TRAFFIC TO MOVE QUICKLY, PLEASE HAVE YOUR STUDENT TO EXIT THEIR VEHICLE IMMEDIATELY WITHIN THE AREA ALONG THE SIDEWALK WHERE SIGNAGE IS INDICATED. THEY ARE WALKING A SHORT DISTANCE TO THE SCHOOL ENTRY. CARS LINE UP IN THE SAME AREA FOR AFTERNOON DISMISSAL. DISMISSAL WILL BE STAGGERED BY GRADE LEVEL IN THE AFTERNOON TO SPACE OUT STUDENTS IN THE HALLWAY. PLEASE BE PATIENT AS WE DISMISS STUDENTS TO COME OUTSIDE.

TRANSPORTATION

IF YOU NEED BUS TRANSPORTATION, PARENTS MUST REGISTER FOR SCHOOL BUS SERVICE AT WWW.FCBOE.ORG. GUIDELINES AND NEW SAFETY PROTOCOL ARE INCLUDED AT THE LINK FOR TRANSPORTATION. WE WILL NO LONGER PROVIDE BUS PASSES OR REQUESTS FOR STUDENTS TO RIDE A DIFFERENT BUS. STUDENT PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF WILL BE LIMITED TO THE RESIDENCY IN INFINITE CAMPUS.

MEALS

SCHOOL BREAKFAST COSTS \$1.60 AND LUNCH IS \$2.90. ALL PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED TOUCHLESS THIS YEAR WITH A STUDENT I.D. BADGE SCAN. BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED GRAB-AND-GO AND WILL BE EATEN IN THE HOMEROOM. LUNCH WILL BE SERVED IN THE CAFETERIA WHERE STUDENTS WILL BE APPROPRIATELY SPACED EITHER FACING THE SAME DIRECTION OR WITH ACRYLIC DIVIDERS IN PLACE. MEAL PAYMENTS MAY BE MADE ONLINE BY SETTING UP AN ACCOUNT AT WWW.MYSCHOOLBUCKS.COM. PARENTS MAY COMPLETE A 2020-2021 FREE AND REDUCED APPLICATION ARE NOW ONLINE AS WELL AT WWW.MYSCHOOLAPPS.COM. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CALL 770-460-3535 EXT. 1061 OR WWW.SCHOOLMEALS@MAIL.FCBOE.ORG.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

THERE IS A GRADE LEVEL AND STEAM CFC-COHORT SUPPLY LIST LOCATED ON OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.FCBOE.ORG/FRMS. EACH STUDENT WILL RECEIVE A CLOTH MASK FOR SCHOOL THAT CAN BE WASHED AT HOME



CHROMEBOOKS

STUDENTS WHO ARE NEW TO FAYETTE COUNTY WILL RECEIVE A DISTRICT-PROVIDED CHROMEBOOK AFTER THEY HAVE REGISTERED FOR SCHOOL ADMISSION. THE CHROMEBOOK WILL BE PICKED UP AT TECHNOLOGY SERVICES. MORE DETAILS WILL BE FORTHCOMING.

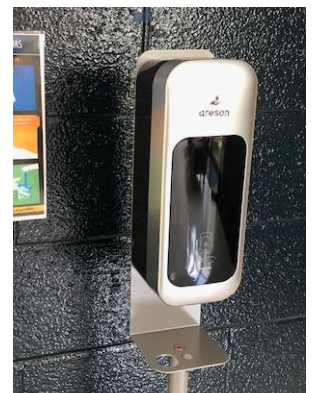
HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOL

IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY FOR ALL FACULTY, STAFF, STUDENTS, AND GUESTS, ALL SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND STUDENTS WILL BE EXPECTED TO WEAR A MASK UNLESS SAFE DISTANCING OF 6 FEET IS FEASIBLE. STUDENTS MUST WEAR A MASK DURING ARRIVAL, IN TRANSITIONS TO CLASSES, AND DURING DISMISSAL. TEACHERS WILL PROVIDE MASK BREAKS WHEN APPROPRIATELY DISTANCED IN THE CLASSROOM, WHILE STUDENTS ARE EATING/DRINKING, AND DURING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS WILL BE FOR STUDENTS WITH A DOCUMENTED HEALTH CONDITION OR DISABILITY THAT PREVENTS THE WEARING OF A MASK. IN THOSE CASES, A CUSTOMIZED PROTOCOL FOR DISTANCING WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR THAT INDIVIDUAL IN THE INTEREST OF EVERYONE.

SANITIZER STATIONS HAVE BEEN ADDED THROUGHOUT THE BUILDING AND EVERY TEACHER WILL HAVE HAND SANITIZER IN THEIR CLASSROOM FOR STUDENTS TO USE FREELY. TEACHERS WILL SANITIZE ASSIGNED DESKS AND CHAIRS BETWEEN CLASSES AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, WITH A THOROUGH SANITATION OF EACH ROOM AT THE END OF THE DAY BY THE CUSTODIANS. CLASSROOMS WILL BE DISINFECTED EVERY WEDNESDAY WHILE STUDENTS ARE NOT HERE. BATHROOMS, PUBLIC SURFACES, DOOR KNOBS, ETC. WILL BE CHECKED MORE FREQUENTLY THROUGHOUT THE DAY AND SANITIZED REGULARLY.

VISITORS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE BUILDING WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT. IF YOU HAVE AN APPOINTMENT, A MASK MUST BE WORN WHILE INSIDE AT ALL TIMES. VIRTUAL MEETINGS ARE ENCOURAGED, BUT IF A FACE-TO-FACE MEETING IS REQUESTED, THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE ROOM WILL BE KEPT TO A MINIMUM WITH OTHERS ADDED VIRTUALLY. PARENTS ARE NOT TO DROP OFF ITEMS FOR THEIR STUDENT AT THE SCHOOL. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO USE THIS TIME TO REINFORCE STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY TO BRING ALL OF THEIR BELONGINGS WITH THEM. THIS WOULD INCLUDE FORGOTTEN ASSIGNMENTS, INSTRUMENTS, CHROME BOOKS, LUNCH, ATHLETIC WEAR, ETC. ONE DAY WITHOUT SOMETHING WON'T HURT THEM AND IT CAN BE A VALUABLE LESSON FOR THE STUDENT.

FACE SHIELDS ARE ALLOWED FOR STUDENTS WITH A MASK, BUT MUST BE PROVIDED BY THE PARENT. A MASK FOR EACH STUDENT WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL, BUT A CHILD MAY BRING THEIR OWN. THEY MUST BE DRESS CODE APPROPRIATE. RANDOM STUDENT TEMPERATURE CHECKS WILL BE CONDUCTED DAILY UPON ARRIVAL OF STUDENTS. IF A STUDENT HAS A FEVER, BEEN EXPOSED TO SOMEONE WITH COVID-19 OR EXHIBITING COMMON SYMPTOMS, THEY ARE TO STAY HOME.



SCHOOL START ROUTINES

STUDENTS WILL BE PROVIDED A FOLDER ON THEIR FIRST DAY WITH NECESSARY PAPERWORK FOR PARENTS TO FILL OUT AND RETURN.

STUDENT FEES ARE \$20.00 (LOCKER, PBIS REWARDS/SYSTEM, CLINIC) AND MAY BE PAID BY CHECK/CASH TO THE SCHOOL. PARENTS WILL BE ABLE TO PAY SCHOOL FEES VIRTUALLY AT WWW.MYSCHOOLBUCKS.COM BY NEXT WEEK ONCE THE SYSTEM HAS COMPLETED SET-UP. LOOK FOR INFORMATION SOON. WEDNESDAY- FLEX SCHEDULE (BRICK & MORTAR AND VIRTUAL)

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THIS DAY IS FLEXIBLE AND DESIGNATED FOR SCHOOL NEEDS WHICH WILL INCLUDE SESSIONS SUCH AS CLASS GUIDANCE LESSONS, TUTORING, SMALL GROUP INSTRUCTION, CLUB MEETINGS, STUDENT CONFERENCES, TEACHER CONFERENCES ETC.

FULL-TIME VIRTUAL FAMILIES

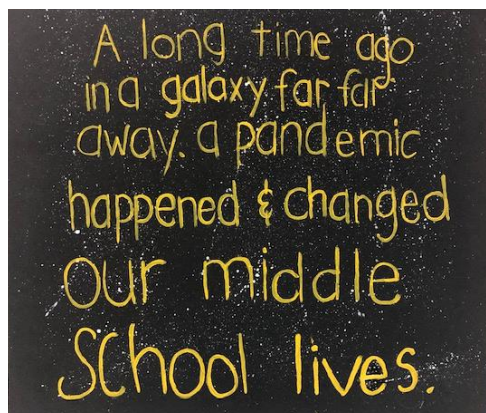
- SCHOOL HOURS: 8:40-3:40
- STUDENTS ARE RECEIVING CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION AT HOME EVERY DAY.
- CLASSES ARE BY PERIOD IN 1.5 HOUR AND 3 HOUR CLASSES. (SEE SCHEDULE SPECIFICS BELOW FOR VIRTUAL)

BOOKS & MATERIALS

MANY RESOURCES THAT STUDENTS WILL NEED FOR CLASS ARE AVAILABLE DIGITALLY, HOWEVER BOOKS AND MATERIALS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED FROM THE SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19 FROM 12:30-3:00 VIA DRIVE-BY PICK-UP IN DESIGNATED AREAS BY GRADE. FAMILIES WILL HAVE ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED BY THE OLDEST CHILD'S GRADE. MORE INFORMATION WILL BE COMING. (SEE INFORMATION ABOVE IN B&M REGARDING CHROMEBOOK FOR NEW STUDENTS)

ATTENDANCE AND GRADING

VIRTUAL TEACHING AND LEARNING WILL BE VERY DIFFERENT FROM THE EXPERIENCE AND EXPECTATIONS IN THE SPRING. PARTICIPATION AND ENGAGEMENT IS REQUIRED FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND EXPOSURE OF NEW LEARNING WITH TEACHERS THAT STUDENTS HAVE NOT HAD BEFORE. STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO DEMONSTRATE PROGRESS AND MASTERY OF LEARNING THROUGH COMPLETION OF CLASSWORK, HOMEWORK, PROJECTS, QUIZZES, AND TESTS. THIS EVIDENCE WILL DETERMINE STUDENT GRADES FOR THE NINE-WEEKS, SEMESTER, AND AT ALL GRADING PERIODS MOVING FORWARD.



Brick & Mortar (semester long)

FRMS

*3 color scenarios that are based on the # of COVID-19 cases and spread. We will either be:

Green

School: 8:10-3:10pm
All students attend 5 days/week.
Daily schedule is 7 periods.

*Full time virtual and "red" brick and mortar students have the exact same schedule but with their own team teachers.

Yellow/Hybrid Model

School: 8:10-3:10pm

Only half the students are in the building at a time.

Students are divided in half based on the alphabet.

Taught by your team teachers.

Group A

- **Monday & Tuesday:** In the building, 7 period day.
- **Wednesday:** Stay home and participate in Zoom virtual class with teachers, additional support and office hours, guidance lessons, club meetings.
- **Thursday & Friday:** Stay home and work on assignments, projects and homework given to students on Monday and Tuesday AT THEIR OWN PACE. If your student has questions, they can go online during office hours for help.

Group B

- **Monday & Tuesday:** Stay home and work on assignments, projects and homework given to students on Thursday and Friday AT THEIR OWN PACE. If your student has questions, they can go online during office hours for help.
- **Wednesday:** Stay home and participate in Zoom virtual class with teachers, additional support and office hours, guidance lessons, club meetings.
- **Thursday & Friday:** In the building, 7 period day.

Full Time Virtual (semester long)

& Red/Virtual School: 8:35-3:40pm

All students are receiving virtual instruction at home.

We move to a block schedule for all students.

Classes on Mon, Tue, Thu, & Fri are 1.5 hours long.

Class on Wed. is 3 hours long.

Class time can be a combination of direct instruction (Zoom), break out groups, and independent work.

Taught by your team teachers.

All Students

- **Monday & Thursday:** 1st, 2nd & 3rd periods, office hours, small group work.
- **Tuesday & Friday:** 4th, 6th & 7th periods, office hours, small group work.
- **Wednesday:** 5th period, club meetings, PBIS lessons, help sessions, office hours, guidance classes & PBL.