



## **FLAT ROCK “EAGLES” ~ WEEK AT A GLANCE**

### **Monday, August 13, 2018**

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Instrument Testing - Last Name A - L – Cafeteria  
Parents / Guardians need to be present during the test.

### **Tuesday, August 14, 2018**

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Instrument Testing - Last Name M - Z – Cafeteria  
Parents / Guardians need to be present during the test.

### **Wednesday, August 15, 2018**



### **Thursday, August 16, 2018**

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. - Parent Power Workshop: Tech Night - *Managing your Middle Schooler's Education* - Room 603

### **Friday, August 17, 2018**

\*3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. – Symphonic Band Rehearsal

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\*Parents please keep in mind our 15 minute rule that all students must be picked up within 15 minutes after athletic events, after school practices, rehearsals and other activities, or your child may be prohibited from participating in future events

**Attention: All Transportation changes must be made before 2:00 pm and early dismissals must be made before 2:50 pm each day for adequate communication time.**

The above dates and more can be viewed on our school website at <http://www.fcboe.org/frms>.

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August 10, 2018

Dear Flat Rock Parents,

We have gotten off to a **great** start in our first week of the new school year. Students are getting accustomed to new routines, new faces, and settling back in to school-life. Thanks to all of you and your support in preparing your children for a positive school start, the transition has been smooth. I am aware, unfortunately, that the start of the new school year brought a few issues and inconveniences with our bus transportation. I know that our Transportation Dept. has been working diligently to solve the issues and we've already seen improvement as the week progressed.

The Flat Rock faculty and staff are re-energized from the summer and ready to provide some exciting learning experiences for our students. Stay tuned for more information to come soon about parent workshops, and our open house on Thursday, August 30.

As always, we want all of our families to know how much we appreciate your involvement, flexibility and cooperation. It is our privilege to work with you in supporting your child in every endeavor. As I shared with many students in our conduct meeting today, we, the faculty and staff are here by choice, and it is our mission to support all of our students to be successful, productive, and thriving citizens of Flat Rock Middle School and the World.

Here's to a great school year!

Jade Bolton



Do you want your children to be the ones who easily give up when assignments get difficult... or do you hope they'll have the confidence and grit required to keep going when the going gets tough? What's going to best prepare them for tomorrow's extremely competitive workforce? Will it be high grades because they only took the easier classes... or will it be somewhat lower grades earned by finishing a more challenging course of study? What's most important: stellar grades or solid perseverance and skills?

As this school year begins, let's give our kids the gift of seeing that satisfaction and growth come from facing challenges.

- **Focus on the strains rather than the brains**  
Instead of praising, "You are so bright," notice their successes and ask, "How did you do that?"
- **Help them blame their success on effort and perseverance.**  
Most kids will respond to "How did you do that?" with "I don't know." When this happens, ask a question: "Did you work hard or did you keep trying?"  
Both of the options embedded in this question point directly to strains... not brains.
- **Avoid placing them on a pedestal.**  
Capable kids often get so much positive feedback about their successes they begin to fear taking risks. It's as if they think, "If I try something challenging, I might not live up to what everybody thinks about me. I'd better take the easier route."
- **Show them that failure is not final... it's informative.**  
Many children develop a perfectionistic orientation by watching their rather perfectionistic parents. I've been guilty of this. Sadly, doing so leaves many kids fearful of taking healthy academic risks.  
Give your kids... and yourself... a gift. Do your best to laugh about your blunders, while allowing your children to hear you say, "I sure learned a lot from that!"
- **Love them unconditionally.**  
When our kids know that we love them... not what they do... they feel safe to make the mistakes required to become truly exceptional people.



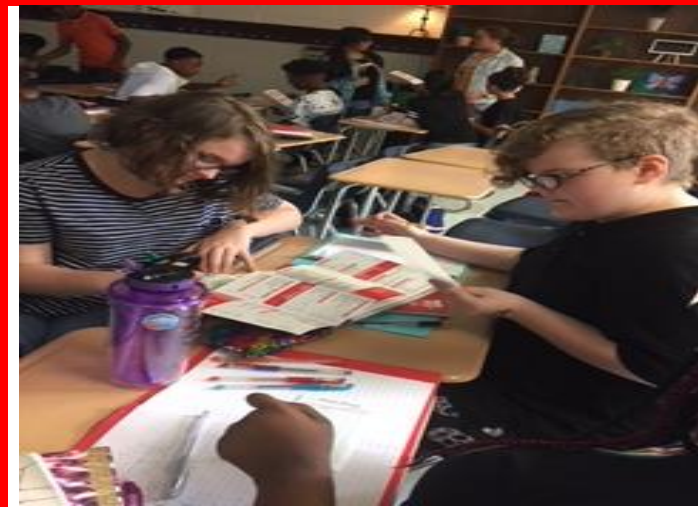
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New Flat Rock Eagle  
Teachers.  
We Are Glad You Are  
Here!**





## GEARING UP FOR A GREAT YEAR IN MS. MELFI'S 7B MATH CLASS!!

Ms. Melfi's class applied the decimal operations that they were reviewing to real life! They took turns ordering food from Shane's Rib Shack menus, and the choices were recorded on actual order forms. They worked together to add, subtract, and multiply decimals. This was a fun way to make math real!



Parent Volunteers Needed! The start of a new school year also means the first book fair of the year will be here soon. The FRMS book fair will here August 27 - 31. We need volunteers to help with running the cash registers and assisting students. If you would like to help with our Fall Book Fair, please sign up using the link below, or you can sign up on our website under Eagle News. We hope to see you at the book fair!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0849AAAC2CA46-frms7>

### Chromebook Insurance Information

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To purchase coverage please go to the website below or call.

<https://gpo.worthavegroup.com/gpo/fcboe/>

800.620.2885



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**Looking Forward to a GREAT School Year!**