



# The FireBird Screams

"Ask not for whom the Firebird screams, he screams for you!" - Fred the Firebird

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## October Dates to Remember:

Oct. 6 - Board Meeting,  
6:30pm

Oct. 8-9 - Fall Break/  
Intercession

Oct. 9 - End of the 1st quarter

Oct. 20 - Board Meeting (if  
called), 6:30pm

Oct. 23 - Report Cards go  
Home

Oct. 26-30 - Red Ribbon Week

Oct. 27 - School Picture  
Make-Up Day (Grades K-12)

Oct. 27 - PAC Meeting, 6pm

## Message from Mrs. Hobgood

Hello Firebirds! We are excited to begin welcoming back some of our firebird family next week. Our school hours have adjusted to reflect five days a week of instruction. It is important to note our arrival and dismissal times. (\*MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL WILL NOT BEGIN UNTIL RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED).

- Elementary School (Grades K-5)-  
7:45 am-2:45pm (Students may arrive at 7:15 at the earliest)
- Middle School (Grades 6-8)-  
8:05am-3:22pm (Students may arrive at 7:35 at the earliest)
- High School (Grades 9-12) -  
8:15-am-3:40pm (Students may arrive at 7:35 at the earliest)

### Arrival:

Elementary students will report directly to their classrooms when entering the building. Remember parents, you must enter through carpool. You may not walk students up to the door. (The only exception is Kindergarten's first day. Kindergarten parents will receive information about Day 1 arrival.) Temperature screenings will happen in your vehicle. Please make sure your student has on a mask prior to rolling down the window for symptom screenings.

### Dismissal:

Remember to print out your QR codes for dismissal pick-up and have them ready for our carpool staff to scan in the afternoons. Pickup will take a little longer to prevent students from gathering outside. Please be patient with us as we work out the kinks the first few weeks.

Arrival and Dismissal maps will be sent this week via Jupiter. Please let us know if you have questions.



Tuesday, October 6th @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, October 20th (if called) @ 6:30pm

# Schedule for Re-Entry

- October 12 - Kindergarten and Third grade students return to 5 days a week instruction
- October 19 - Kindergarten, First, Third, and Fourth grade students return for 5 days a week instruction
- October 26- Kindergarten, First, Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth grade students return to 5 days a week instruction
- November 2- IF ALLOWABLE BY THE GOVERNOR- Middle and High School will return to 5 days a week instruction
- Families who choose Plan C will continue remote learning for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year.

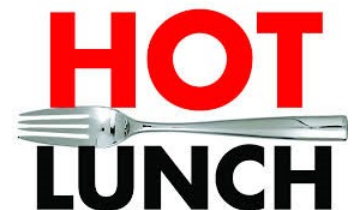
## Fall Picture Make-Up Day



Grades K - 12  
Tuesday, October 27th

## Online Lunch Ordering

The window for ordering lunches for the months of November and October opens on October 12th and closes on October 23rd at 12noon for those wishing to order catered lunch deliveries. Go to [www.orgsonline.com](http://www.orgsonline.com) and enter code 313FLANC to order and pay for lunches to be delivered at school.



# Updated School Calendar



## Falls Lake Academy 2020-2021 Calendar



Revised 9/30/2020

Approved 10/6/2020

July							AUGUST							January						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	August 4th-14th							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4	August 17th												1	2
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	SEPTEMBER							3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	September 7th							10	11	12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	OCTOBER							17	18	19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30	31		October 8th-9th							24	25	26	27	28	29	30
							October 9th							31						
August							NOVEMBER							February						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	November 11th							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1	November 26th-27th							1	2	3	4	5	6	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	DECEMBER							7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	December 15th							14	15	16	17	18	19	20
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	December 18th							21	22	23	24	25	26	27
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	December 21st - 31st							28						
30	31						JANUARY							March						
September							January 1st							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	January 4th								1	2	3	4	5	6
			1	2	3	4	January 18th													
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	FEBRUARY							7	8	9	10	11	12	13
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	February							14	15	16	17	18	19	20
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	MARCH							21	22	23	24	25	26	27
27	28	29	30				March 11th							28	29	30	31			
							March 12th													
October							Remote Learning Days (All Students)							APRIL						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	April 2nd							Holiday - Good Friday						
							April 5th - 9th							Spring Break/Intercession (Possible Remote Learning Days)						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	MAY							May 7th						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	May 28th							Remote Learning Days (All Students)						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	May 31st							Last Day of School - Early Release for Students and Staff						
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	JUNE							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
							June 1st - 4th							4	5	6	7	8	9	10
							June 5th							11	12	13	14	15	16	17
							Graduation							18	19	20	21	22	23	24
							LEGEND							25	26	27	28	29	30	
November							123 or							May						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	First/Last Day of School							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Teacher Workday													1
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Holiday							2	3	4	5	6	7	8
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Remote Learning Days (All Students)							9	10	11	12	13	14	15
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	Track A (In School)/Track B (Remote Learning Days)							16	17	18	19	20	21	22
29	30						Track B (In School)/Track A (Remote Learning Days)							23	24	25	26	27	28	29
							Intercession							30	31					
							Early Release for Students and Staff													
							Graduation							June						
December							Report Cards Go Home							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	October 23rd									1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	January 8th							6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	March 19th							13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	May 28th							20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31			EOG/EOC/NCFE testing							27	28	29	30			
							May 17th-28th													

# COUNSELORS CORNER

We are celebrating Red Ribbon Week from October 26th-30th!

We celebrate Red Ribbon Week to encourage children, families and communities to live healthy, happy and drug-free lives. This year's theme, Be Happy. Be Brave. Be Drug Free.™ also serves as a reminder that we are all empowered with shaping the communities around us through positivity, bravery and strength. For all students, here are some ideas for getting involved with Red Ribbon Week--virtually! We also look forward to providing K-5 students on campus with a fun, in-person activity to celebrate!

1. Show us how you're living drug free by dressing up like your favorite superhero and by snapping a picture and posting it to Social Media. Don't forget to print out and hold up the Red Ribbon Theme Sign! Be sure to add the hashtags #BeHappyBeBraveBeDrugFree and #RedRibbonWeek.
2. Join the #RedRibbonMaskChallenge by wearing a Red Ribbon-Themed Mask! Take a photo and post on Social Media at @RedRibbonWeek on Twitter and Facebook and on Instagram @RedRibbonCampaign. Use the hashtag #RedRibbonMaskChallenge for a chance to win a \$25 Amazon Gift Card. Get your Red Ribbon Themed mask at [www.NIMCOINC.com](http://www.NIMCOINC.com) Winners will be announced by NIMCOINC in November.
3. Print out the Red Ribbon Theme sign, add your name, hold it up and post a photo that shows us you're committed to living drug free! Use the hashtag #LivingDrugFree.

Facebook & Twitter: @RedRibbonWeek

Instagram: @RedRibbonCampaign



October 8th - 9th

# Cookie Dough Fundraiser

We will be having our annual Frozen Cookie Dough Fundraiser for the MS and HS Band Departments. We will be having a virtual fundraiser with the kickoff on October 12 (MS classes) and October 13 (HS classes). Everyone will be able to order what they would like online (a link will be sent out to parents via Jupiter closer to the date). The delivery will be on November 19<sup>th</sup> at the school and it will be a “white-glove” delivery service in which the delivery company will already have orders sorted and they can put the items in individual vehicles so that they will not have to come into the school. We will have the definite time for delivery as we get closer to November 19 (we will shoot for around 12:00-2:00).

Thank you in advance for your support.

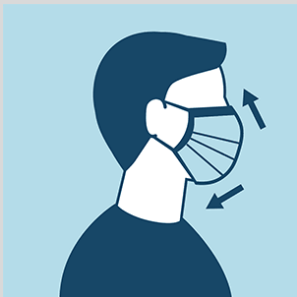


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## Cloth Face Coverings

Wear your Mask Correctly

- Wash your hands before putting on your mask
- Put it over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin
- Try to fit it snugly against the sides of your face



Make sure you can breathe easily

How to properly take mask off:

- Untie the strings behind your head or stretch the ear loops
- Handle only by the ear loops or ties
- Fold outside corners together
- Place mask in the washing machine to properly launder between uses
- Be careful not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth when removing and wash hands immediately after removing.



**Below is an Q & A overview explaining the current status of FLA Athletics for the 2020-2021 school year.**

**1. Will FLA *high school* sports align with the NCHSAA amended sports calendar?**

HS sports will follow the NCHSAA amended sports calendar for this year

**2. Will FLA *middle school* sports align with NCHSAA amended sports calendar?**

No. The CCMS Middle School conference met this week and had to reevaluate an appropriate way to fit in a calendar based around rentals, facilities and when conference schools are allowed to begin to play. While indoor facilities are not a concern for FLA, it is a challenge for schools with only one gym and one field. After discussing all information, it was determined that if our middle schools followed the high school calendar, teams would only have approximately 50% of the conference participating and practices/tryouts for middle school teams would be affected negatively. Therefore, the CCMS middle school conference created a 2021 CCMS amended sports calendar. We understand that this calendar creates a very unique set of seasons, however, we truly feel that this is the best option available and we are excited to be able to offer sports to our middle school athletes!

**3. How and when will workouts begin?**

FLA High School Athletics is currently participating in workouts for volleyball and cross country. Other sports will follow closer to the time of the start of their season. Middle School will not have workouts, their season will start on the first day of the middle school sports calendar.

**4. Where do I go to get information for tryouts for certain sports teams?**

For required participation forms please visit our FLA Athletic Website

We understand that the uncertainty and forever changing information that has surrounded us over the past few months are taxing on our athletes, parents and coaches. We continue to appreciate your support of FLA Athletics and we look forward to getting our student-athletes back on the playing field very soon!

**New FLA Masks are HERE!**

**On SALE NOW!**

Location: High School Building  
Time: 10am-2:00pm  
Days: Monday-Friday

**\$10**  
(cash only)

(All masks have adjustable straps)

Bye for now.....until next time.....-Fred the Firebird

