



THE LION'S ROAR

Fall 2021

Fairfield Local Schools
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Leesburg, Ohio 45135
937/780-2221

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Tim Dettwiller, Superintendent

We are very excited to begin the 2021-2022 school year. This Lion's Roar will provide you with information on how we will start school, changes of staff members and improvements to our facilities.

While COVID is still a dangerous virus, we have learned a great deal as to how to prevent and treat the illness. We now have a vaccine available to all those who wish to take it and much better drugs to treat those who do acquire the virus. We will not monitor or manage the wearing of masks as that is an individual decision. If we do have a serious outbreak in the school we will consider moving to requiring face coverings in our facility for a short period of time.

Currently the CDC has ordered that all public transportation providers, including school buses, must require all riders to wear a mask when on the bus. This will be the expectation on Fairfield buses and vans. Our vehicles will be cleaned between each run just as they were last school year.

Temperature monitoring and hand sanitizing stations will still be located throughout our facilities. Staff and students will be asked to voluntarily check their temperature each morning. Those staff and students who are exposed to the COVID virus will still be subject to the Highland County Health Departments COVID quarantine protocols.

Our facilities will now have ultraviolet purified air flowing throughout the facility as recommended by the CDC. We believe the improved air quality will mitigate the spread of influenza, COVID and the common cold. We are also in the process of installing touchless water fountains. We hope to have these installed by September 13.

We will not provide an online classroom for our students this year. We believe the physical classroom is the best environment for student learning. We will have online learning for credit recovery and physical classroom support only.

The health and safety of our students and staff is our number one priority. If federal, state or local authorities change recommended protocols to mandates, we will move quickly to adjust our practices as needed. As always, we will keep you informed via our School Messenger phone system.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Email: tim.dettwiller@fairfieldlocal.org / Phone: 937-780-2221

It's a great day to be a Lion!!

2021-22 Staff Updates

As the 2021-2022 school year begins, we welcome more than our usual new staff. Over the past few months, several employees have retired, moved away or have made new life choices. Best of luck to all those who left.

This is sure to be a year of learning, adjusting and settling in for our new employees. We are happy to have them here and look forward to another amazing school year!

Welcome to the Pride!

Amanda Beekman - Educational Aide
LeeAnn Black - HS Science Teacher
Rebecca Cannon - Intervention Specialist
Samantha Cassady - Kindergarten Teacher
Janna Chaney - Bus Driver
Jennifer Cochran - HS Math Teacher
Megan Crosier - 2nd Grade Teacher
Leslee Eldridge - Intervention Specialist
Diana Fields - School Psychologist
Shelby Gagliardi - HS ELA Teacher
Lily Hacker - 4th Grade ELA Teacher
Ryan Hagan - 5th Grade Science Teacher
Melanie Hamilton - Elementary Secretary
Ronnie Hammond - Elementary Music Teacher
Marissa Mann - Educational Aide
Stacie Rhonemus - HS Guidance Counselor
Katie Smith - 1st Grade Teacher
Jerrica Stackhouse - 8th Grade Math Teacher
Terri Streber - Kindergarten Teacher
Jolie Zink - Educational Aide

Transfers

Amy Cox to Elementary Assistant Principal
Kate Faulconer to 7th/8th Grade Science Teacher
James Knisley to HS Music Teacher
Rachael Link to 3rd Grade ELA Teacher
Megan Shoemaker to Preschool Teacher
Angy Williams to Intervention Specialist

New Staff/Services Provided by SDESC

Mary Jean Butler - Math Coach
Jennie Peabody - Intervention Specialist
Amanda Perkins - Counselor/Social Worker

Farewell!

Victor Bartodej	Mary Jean Butler
Ashley Carruthers	Amber Corcoran
Terry DiLuciano	Erin Goddard
Yoli Gong	Liza McCoy
Kendra McVay	Amy Meddock
Jessica Neumann	

Last school year brought retirement for two amazing men.

Mr. Victor Bartodej taught high school math at Fairfield for 37 years. He also advised the high school student council for many years and brought memories to life with his pictures of students and daily school life.

Mr. Terry DiLuciano taught high school music at Fairfield for 34 years. He was also the high school band and choir instructor and performed hundred of concerts and performances. As director of the annual high school musical, he taught our students to bring stories to life on stage.

Both men dedicated their teaching careers to Fairfield Local Schools. Staff respected them and students learned so much being in their classes and activities. They will be missed by everyone.

Congratulations and Best of Luck!

2021-22 School Year Calendar



AUGUST	JANUARY
9 First Day - Teachers	14 End 2nd Quarter
10 First Day - All Staff	14 NO SCHOOL - Staff PD
11 NO SCHOOL - Staff PD	17 NO SCHOOL - MLK Day
12 First Day - Students	18 Begin 3rd Quarter
	21 Grade Cards - 2nd Quarter
SEPTEMBER	FEBRUARY
3 NO SCHOOL - Staff PD	15 Interims - Grades 6-12
6 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day	17 P/T Conferences
7-10 NO SCHOOL - Fair Break	18 NO SCHOOL - Staff PD
15 1-Hour Early Release	18 Interims - Grades K-5
21 Interims - Grades 6-12	21 NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day
24 Interims - Grades K-5	23 1-Hour Early Release
	24 P/T Conferences
OCTOBER	MARCH
7 P/T Conferences	18 End 3rd Quarter
14 P/T Conferences	21 Begin 4th Quarter
22 End 1st Quarter	23 1-Hour Early Release
25 Begin 2nd Quarter	25 Grade Cards - 3rd Quarter
29 NO SCHOOL - Staff PD	
NOVEMBER	APRIL
1 Grade Cards - 1st Quarter	14 NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-Ser.
10 1-Hour Early Release	15 NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
24 NO SCHOOL - Conf. Comp Day	18 NO SCHOOL - Conf. Comp Day
25-26 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break	19 Interims - Grades 6-12
29 NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-Ser.	22 Interims - Grades K-5
30 Interims - Grades 6-12	
DECEMBER	MAY
3 Interims - Grades K-5	19 Last Day - Students
17 1-Hour Early Release	19 1-Hr Early Dismiss
20-24 NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break	20 Graduation Ceremony (6pm)
27-31 NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break	20 Last Day - Teachers

Approved by Fairfield Board of Education—4/19/2021

School Day Hours

High School (Grades 9-12)
7:30am to 2:30pm
Middle School (Grades 6-8)
7:30am to 2:20pm
Elementary (Grades K-5)
8:25am to 3:25pm
Preschool (Morning)
8:20am to 11:20am
Preschool (Afternoon)
12:20pm to 3:20pm

For a athletic schedules, music events and other building-specific activities please visit our website:

www.fairfieldlocal.org

After 7 calamity days, the Remote Learning Plan will be implemented. This plan is available to view on our website home page.

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COMMUNICATION

Fairfield Local Schools uses many platforms to communicate with our students, parents, staff and community members. In addition to e-mail and School Messenger, check our website and social media pages for the most up-to-date information.

Twitter

@fairfield_lions
@fairfieldFFA

Facebook Pages

Fairfield Local Schools
Fairfield Local Elementary
Fairfield Local Middle School
Fairfield Local High School
Fairfield PTO
Fairfield Local Schools Food and Nutrition

BUS ROUTES

Grades 6-12

Some bus numbers and times changed to allow for more efficient routes. Please check for any changes to your pick-up or drop-off times.

Transportation Staff

Bus #1 - Jerri Hauke
Bus #2 - Jenny Hunter
Bus #4 - Kim Long
Bus #5 - Tracy Haynes
Bus #6 - Janna Chaney

Bus #10 - Steve Barrett
Bus #16 - Debbie Cockerill
Bus #17 - Aaron Engle
Bus #24 - Tim Case
Supervisor - Clint Shoemaker

Road/Location	Bus	Pick-Up	Drop-Off
Antioch Rd. (Wilmington Ave.)	6	6:45-6:47	2:54-2:56
Arch St. - Macy Lane and Arch St.	17	7:08-7:12	2:35-2:38
Barger Rd.	2	6:51-6:54	2:52-2:55
Black Rabbit Rd.	16	6:50-6:57	3:08-3:15
Bridges Rd.	1	6:34-6:39	2:52-2:57
Careytown Rd. - SR 28 to County Line	6	6:36-6:39	2:53-2:57
Careytown Rd. North to Hightop Rd. North	17	6:48-6:52	3:13-3:16
Careytown Rd. to Roundhead Rd.	17	6:30-6:33	2:59-3:01
Centerfield - Pausch Rd. to Monroe Rd.	1	6:50-6:53	3:07-3:11
Centerfield Rd. - Bridges to Cope	1	6:40-6:41	2:57-2:58
Centerfield Rd. - Bridges to Pausch	1	6:48-6:50	3:05-3:07
Centerfield Rd.- Monroe Rd. to Lovers Lane	1	7:05-7:09	2:43-2:45
Centerfield Reserve to Bridges	1	6:45-6:48	3:02-3:05
Church St. (Highland)	6	6:42-6:45	2:42-2:45
Coles Run Court	5	7:00	3:02
Connell Rd.	17	6:53-6:57	3:16-3:19
Cope Rd. to Big Oak Rd.	1	6:41-6:45	2:58-3:01
Eastern Ave. - Sycamore St.	17	7:11	2:40
Fairfield Rd.	16	7:10-7:13	2:37-2:38
Fairfield St. S. (Church of Christ)	17	7:10	2:38
Fall Creek Rd. - Kincaid to Samantha	10	7:03-7:05	3:10-3:12
Grimsley Rd. - Black Rabbit to Old 62	16	6:58-7:05	2:40-2:43
Grimsley Rd. - Smith Rd. to Bridges Rd.	16	6:24-6:27	2:43-2:50
Hardins Creek Rd. - Burgess Lane	16	6:32-6:38	2:54-2:56
Herdman Rd. to Morrison Rd.	16	6:45-6:49	3:00-3:04
High Rock Rd.	5	6:58-7:03	3:00-3:05
High St. North - Leesburg Park	2	7:05-7:10	2:37
Hightop Rd. to 62 South to Plainview Rd.	17	6:27-6:30	2:55-2:58
Hixon Rd.	17	6:59-7:01	3:20-3:23
Jamison Rd.	5	6:48-6:57	3:05-3:10
Kimberly St.	1	7:05-7:08	2:40-2:41
Kincaid Rd.	10	6:48-6:50	3:01-3:02
Kincaid Rd. - SR 138 to Fall Creek Rd.	10	6:59-7:02	3:08-3:10
Leaverton Rd.	16	7:06-7:10	2:38-2:40
Lovers Lane	1	7:05-7:08	2:41-2:43
Main St. (Southern Hills Comm. Bank)	1	7:09-7:11	2:37-2:38
Main St. E (Highland)	6	6:30-6:32	2:57-3:01
Main St. E. - East St. to High St.	2	7:05-7:10	2:37-2:41
Main St. E. - Forrest Ave.	2	6:40-6:42	2:42
Main St. W. (Highland)	6	6:31-6:33	2:42-2:44

Road/Location	Bus	Pick-Up	Drop-Off
Main St. W. (near Dollar General)	17	7:06-7:08	2:42-2:43
Monroe Rd. - Pausch to E. Monroe Church	1	7:03-7:05	2:45-2:48
Monroe Rd. to Pausch Rd.	1	6:59-7:03	2:48-2:49
Morrow Rd.	10	6:51-6:53	3:02-3:05
Mullen Hill Rd. - Underground Rd. to US 62	6	7:01-7:07	2:36-2:38
New Lexington Ave. South (Highland)	6	6:53-6:56	-----
New Vienna Rd.	17	7:01-7:03	3:23-3:25
Old 62 - Shortline to Samantha	10	7:07-7:08	3:14-3:15
Pausch Rd. - Milner to Monroe Rd.	1	6:53-6:58	3:11-3:16
Railroad St. South on Eastern Ave.	17	7:12	2:41
Ringer Lane	2	6:43-6:47	2:44-2:47
Rosher Rd.	17	7:04-7:07	2:47-2:51
Roundhead Rd. to SR 73, Grabill Rd.	17	6:35-6:48	3:01-3:13
Sabina Rd.	5	6:45-6:48	3:10-3:15
Schoolhouse Rd. (Highland)	6	6:45-6:46	2:46-2:48
Shortline Rd.	10	7:05-7:07	3:13-3:14
Small Rd. - 771 to Herdman	16	6:42-6:45	2:59-3:00
Small Rd. - Herdman to Bridges	16	6:49-6:50	3:04-3:08
Smith Rd.	16	6:20-6:23	3:16-3:20
South St. - Leesburg Park	2	7:07	2:42
SR 138 - Kincaid Rd. to Morrow Rd.	10	6:50-6:51	3:00-3:02
SR 138 - Morrow Rd. to Kincaid Rd.	10	6:57-6:59	3:06-3:08
SR 138 - Morrow to Dragoo to Morrow	10	6:53-6:57	3:02-3:08
SR 28 - Ringer Lane to Barger Rd.	2	6:47-6:51	2:48-2:52
SR 28 - SR 72 to Leesburg	5	7:00-7:05	2:48-3:00
SR 28 - Underground Rd.	6	6:21-6:27	3:08-3:11
SR 72 - Underground Rd. to Samantha	17	6:22-6:25	2:51-2:58
SR 72 from Mullen Hill to Highland Corp.	6	6:57-7:04	2:37-2:42
SR 72 N - Oak Grove to SR 28 (East Side)	6	6:26-6:30	3:02-3:05
SR 72 N - Oak Grove to SR 28 (West Side)	6	6:28-6:32	3:05-3:11
SR 771 - Fairfield school to Bridges Rd.	1	6:30-6:34	2:50-2:52
SR 771 - Hardins Creek to Small Rd.	16	6:39-6:42	2:57-2:59
Stafford Rd.	2	6:59-7:05	3:01-3:03
Thomas Rd.	2	6:54-6:59	2:58-3:01
Underground Rd.	5	-----	2:55
US 62 - Samantha	17	6:25-6:27	2:53-2:55
US 62 - Samantha to turnaround	10	6:29-6:38	2:43-2:51
US 62 - SR 28 to Fayette County	5	6:35-6:45	2:40-2:48
US 62 - SR 28 to Mullen Hill Rd.	6	7:03-7:05	-----
Wilmington Ave./Purtee Lane (Highland)	6	6:42-6:44	2:42-2:44
Wright Rd.	10	6:40-6:48	2:54-2:59

BUS ROUTES - Grades PS - 5

Preschool Morning Pick-Up and Afternoon Drop Off

PRESCHOOL BUS RIDERS

Morning class pick-up and afternoon drop-off times are listed on this schedule.

Morning class drop-off and afternoon pick-up times are listed on the following page.

THE FIRST FEW WEEKS OF SCHOOL, THE BUSES MAY NOT BE ON TIME AND SOME TIMES MAY CHANGE DUE TO STUDENT ENROLLMENT. PLEASE BE PATIENT AND FLEXIBLE.

Road Name	Bus	Pick-Up	Drop-Off	Road Name	Bus	Pick-Up	Drop-Off
Antioch Rd. - School House Rd. to county line	6	7:47-7:56	4:03-4:08	Middle St. South	2	8:07-8:08	3:39-3:40
Barger Rd.	2	7:51-7:54	3:50-3:53	Miller St. (Bus Shelter behind PO)	2	8:10-8:12	3:37-3:39
Black Rabbit Rd. to Grimsley Rd.	16	7:56-8:06	3:57-4:10	Milner Rd.	1	7:52-7:54	3:53-3:55
Bridges Rd.	1	7:33-7:38	4:04-4:09	Monroe Rd. - Pausch to E. Monroe Church	1	7:58-8:03	3:48-3:51
Careytown Rd.	17	7:41-7:44	3:51-3:54	Morrow Rd.	10	7:58-7:59	3:57-3:58
Careytown Rd. - Hightop Rd. North	17	7:58-8:05	4:05-4:09	Mullen Hill Rd. - Underground Rd. to US 62	6	8:09-8:12	4:22-4:26
Centerfield Rd. - Bridges Rd. to Cope Rd.	1	7:35-7:40	4:09-4:11	Mullen Hill Rd. - US 62 to Fairfield Rd.	6	-----	3:32-3:35
Centerfield Rd. - Bridges Rd. to Pausch Rd.	1	7:40-7:45	4:13-4:15	New Lexington Ave. - Highland	6	8:01-8:03	3:50-3:51
Centerfield Rd. - Monroe Rd. to Lovers Lane	1	8:03-8:05	3:43-3:47	New Vienna Rd. - Hixon Rd.	17	8:08-8:10	4:10-4:11
Church St. - Highland	6	7:47-7:50	3:54-3:55	Pausch Rd. - Centerfield Rd. to Milner Rd.	1	7:50-7:51	3:51-3:53
Church St. - Leesburg	5	8:05-8:06	3:36-3:37	Pausch Rd. - Milner to Monroe Rd.	1	7:54-7:58	3:55-3:59
Cole's Run Court	5	7:57-7:59	4:08-4:09	Pavey Ave.	2	8:09-8:11	3:37-3:38
Connell Rd.	17	8:05-8:08	4:09-4:10	Purtee Lane (Highland) on Wilmington Ave.	6	7:45-7:47	3:53-3:56
Creek Rd. - Hixon Rd. to SR 28	6	7:59-8:03	4:16	Railroad St.	1	8:11-8:13	3:34-3:36
Eastern Ave.	1	8:10-8:17	3:30-3:34	Railroad St. North	2	8:12	3:36
Fairfield Rd.	16	8:15-8:18	3:33-3:34	Ringer Lane	2	7:44-7:48	3:45-3:48
Fairfield St. @ Police Station	2	8:03-8:04	3:34-3:36	Roundhead Rd. - SR 73 - Grabill Rd.	17	7:42-7:58	3:54-4:05
Fairfield St. North	2	8:03	3:35	Sabina Rd. and Oak Grove Rd.	5	7:40-7:46	3:55-4:02
Fairfield St. South	2	8:12-8:15	3:32-3:35	School House Rd. (Highland)	6	7:48-7:52	3:57
Fairfield St. South before Sycamore St.	1	8:07-8:09	3:36-3:39	Shortline Rd.	10	8:07-8:09	4:06-4:07
Fall Creek Rd.	10	8:05-8:07	4:05-4:06	Small Rd. - Duff Rd.	16	7:52-7:55	3:52-3:56
Grimsley Rd. - Black Rabbit to Old US 62	16	8:07-8:11	3:36-3:44	Smith Rd.	16	7:36-7:41	4:12-4:18
Grimsley Rd. - Smith Rd. to Bridges	16	7:42-7:47	3:44-3:47	South St.	2	8:04-8:05	3:34-3:36
Hardins Creek Rd to 771 to Small Rd.	16	7:50-7:53	3:50-3:54	South St. - Middle St. to Brown St.	2	8:08-8:09	3:38-3:39
High Rock Rd. - Jamison to SR 28	5	7:54-7:59	4:06-4:09	SR 138 - Morrow Rd. to Kincaid Rd.	10	7:59-8:02	3:58-4:01
High Rock Rd. - SR 62 to Jamison Rd.	5	7:35	3:50	SR 28 - Highland to SR 72	6		4:20
High St. - North	5	8:11-8:15	3:45-3:46	SR 28 - Highrock Rd. to Leesburg	5	7:59-8:03	4:09-4:13
High St. - South	5	8:09-8:11	3:40-3:45	SR 28 - Ringer Lane to Barger Rd.	2	7:48-7:51	3:48-3:50
Hightop Rd. - Plainview	17	7:37-7:41	3:48-3:51	SR 28 - SR 72 (past Underground Rd.)	6	7:23-7:25	3:41-3:43
Hixon Rd.	17	8:10-8:13	4:11-4:13	SR 72 - Samantha	17	7:32-7:35	3:43-3:45
Jamison Rd.	5	7:46-7:54	4:02-4:06	SR 72 North - SR 28 to Oak Grove	6	7:25-7:32	4:20-4:30
Kimberly St.	1	8:05-8:08	3:40-3:43	SR 72 South - Mullen Hill Rd. to Highland	6	8:05-8:10	3:47-3:50
Kincaid Rd.	10	8:02-8:05	4:02-4:05	SR 771 - Fairfield school to Bridges Rd.	1	7:25-7:30	3:59-4:04
Larrick Rd. - Highland	6	7:49-7:50	3:58-3:59	SR 771 to Hardins Creek Rd.	16	7:48-7:51	3:48-3:52
Leaverton Rd.	16	8:12-8:15	3:34-3:36	Stafford Rd.	2	7:59-8:03	3:57-4:02
Liberty St. - Highland	6	7:46-7:47	3:52-3:54	Sycamore St.	1	8:08-8:10	3:39-3:40
Lytle St.	5	8:06-8:07	3:38-3:39	Thomas Rd.	2	7:54-7:59	3:53-3:37
Macy Lane	6	8:15-8:18	3:38-3:42	US 62 - Samantha	17	7:35-7:37	3:45-3:48
Main St. E - East St. to Middle St.	2	8:04-8:07	3:35-3:37	US 62 - Samantha (US 62 South to Wright Rd.)	10	7:38-7:44	3:41-3:47
Main St. E - Forrest Ave.	2	7:42	3:42-3:44	US 62 - SR 28 to Fayette County	5	7:33-7:40	3:46-3:55
Main St. E - Highland to SR 72	6	7:35-7:37	3:52-3:54	US 62 - Wright Rd. to Rest Area (Turnaround)	10	7:44-7:47	3:47-3:49
Main St. W - High St. to Traffic Light	2	8:11-8:13	3:32-3:35	US 62 from Mullen Hill to Main St. (Leesburg)	6	8:11-8:14	3:34-3:38
Main St. W. (High) - Wilm Ave to Careytown	6	7:39-7:47	4:09-4:11	US 62 Old - Shortline Rd. to Samantha	10	8:09-8:11	4:08-4:11
Main St. W. (Highland) - New Lex. to Wilm. Ave.	6	7:56-7:58	3:58	Wilmington Ave. (Highland)	6	7:54-7:57	4:03-4:05
Main St. W. (Leesburg) Arch St. to US 62	6	8:17-8:19	3:40-3:43	Wright Rd.	10	7:49-7:56	3:51-3:57

PRESCHOOL MID-DAY BUS ROUTES

Road Name	Bus	Morning Preschool Dropoff
Herdman Rd.	1	12:10
High Rock Rd.	1	11:38
Jamison Rd.	1	11:44
Lovers Lane	1	11:25
Main St. East - Leesburg	1	11:32
Main St. West - Leesburg	1	11:36
Mill Trace Dr.	1	11:33
St. Rt. 138	1	12:15
St. Rt. 72	1	11:45
Stafford Rd.	1	11:54
Sycamore St.	1	11:30

Road Name	Bus	Afternoon Preschool Pickup
Centerfield Rd.	16	11:41
Church St. - Highland	16	12:08
Eastern Ave.	16	12:19
Elm St.	16	12:13
Grimsley Rd.	16	11:53
Jamison Rd.	1	11:43
Kimberly St.	16	11:32
Main St. East - Leesburg	16	12:14
Pausch Rd.	16	11:38
St. Rt. 28	16	12:10
Sycamore St.	16	12:17
Thomas Rd.	1	11:55

PRESCHOOL CAR RIDER INSTRUCTIONS

To ensure the safety of our littlest lions, preschool students will be dropped off and picked up at the exterior entrance of their preschool classroom. Parents should park in the parking lot labeled preschool parking and walk their students across to the entrance marked preschool drop off and pick up. Please be mindful of the traffic within the parking lot. A staff member will be there to greet you and your child.

K-5 CAR RIDER INSTRUCTIONS

K-5 Morning Car Riders

Parents that are dropping their students off in the morning, should follow the traffic flow. There will be signs the first few weeks of school conveying which direction to go. **It is extremely important that our families follow the traffic flow as it prevents our line from blocking buses and backing up to 771.** If you are the first car, please pull to the very end of the sidewalk, at the end of the building. Parents/guardians are asked to remain in your vehicle and allow the students to exit on the curbside. Staff members will be on duty beginning at 8:15. Do not send students to the building until you see a staff member. If you need to park and go to the elementary office, please use the crosswalk. **Drivers, please be mindful of families who may be parking and entering the preschool entrance and/or the elementary entrance.**

K-5 Afternoon Car Riders

At dismissal, parents will park in the large elementary lot and form a line outside the elementary entrance. The first few weeks of school, a staff member will radio for your student to be dismissed from the building. You will want to have your ID available upon request. **After fair break, we will be implementing School Dismissal Manager (accessed from a desktop or app on your phone) for all of our transportation changes and dismissal procedures.** More information will be sent home explaining this program the first few weeks of school.

FOOD SERVICES

The USDA has approved FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH FOR ALL STUDENTS for the entire 2021-2022 school year.

If you are a parent of a student in grades K-12...

-make sure your child is getting a full meal (entrée, fruit/vegetable and milk). Only FULL meals are FREE.
-submit the Free/Reduced Meal Application. Why? If you qualify for free meals, your student fees will be waived.
-add money to your child's account for extra items, ala carte items or extra milk using My School Bucks.



Free and Reduced-Price Meal Applications

This school year, families can submit the Free and Reduced-Price Meal applications through **MySchoolApps**. All families are encouraged to apply at the beginning of every school year.

If your family qualifies for FREE meals (through household and income information), your children will have their annual academic fees waived. Paper forms are also still available. Please visit the Food Services page on our website for a link to apply.



Pay for Meals Online with MySchoolBucks

MySchoolBucks will continue to be a free service this school year. Use this convenient online payment option to add money to cafeteria accounts or to pay for student fees. Don't have an account yet? Visit [MySchoolBucks.com](https://myschoolbucks.com) to sign up today or download the mobile app.

TREASURER'S UPDATE

Mike Morrow, Treasurer

Fairfield Local Schools was awarded just over \$2,000,000 in COVID relief funds to be spent through June 2024. The Board, Administrative Team, and Staff worked hard last year to identify items and services that would have the biggest impact on our students.

We will continue to assess the needs of our students as we always do, but here is a list of some of the needs identified and addressed with COVID funds: Preschool Classroom, Math Instructional Coach, Mental Health Services, Heating/Cooling Upgrades, Kitchen Equipment, Student & Staff Technology Tools, Virtual Education, and Disinfecting Equipment & Supplies.

Please reach out to me by phone, email, or stop by the district office for additional details or questions.
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SUMMER PROJECTS UPDATE

When school is out, summer projects are in full swing. Our summer custodial and maintenance teams worked diligently to deep clean our facilities and to ready them for the return of our students in August. The following is a list of the facility improvement projects in various stages of completion:

HVAC Upgrades

The Board of Education approved a plan to upgrade our Heating and air conditioning system to provide ultraviolet light purification of the air in our buildings. New controllers for the system throughout our facilities have been installed and new software for managing air flow is now in place. The upgrades cost over \$250,000 and are paid for by federal COVID funding.



Gym Floors

The floors in Grandle Gymnasium and the middle school gym have not been resurfaced since they were installed. This summer we contracted with a vendor to strip the floors down to bare wood, put down our new mascots and floor striping and to seal the floor. The results are impressive.

Kitchen Equipment

The ovens in our kitchen were over 20 years old and at the end of their useful life. By using federal COVID funds we were able to purchase new ovens and skillets that will operate more efficiently. Install will be completed by August 6.

Preschool

By moving elementary classrooms we were able to accommodate our new preschool within our current facility. This accommodation caused several teachers to be moved. Our custodial crew has been outstanding in supporting these moves and to make sure we are ready on day one.

Threat Extinguisher

Part of our safety plan is to offer a response option against intruders for our staff and students. We currently have over 9 pepper spray canisters located throughout our buildings. We are adding 4 more this summer in key locations for a total of 13.



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THANK YOU for respecting the policies and procedures set forth by the Fairfield Local Schools Board of Education.

- ◆ Face coverings are recommended to enter our buildings.
- ◆ All visitors must check in at offices.
- ◆ Tobacco products are prohibited on school grounds.
- ◆ Do not park on the grass.
- ◆ Main Entrances are to be used for all public events.
- ◆ Main Entrance circles are for drop-off/pick-up only; not parking.

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MISSION STATEMENT

As a part of a rural community rich in traditional values, our mission is to enable each individual to reach his/her highest potential to succeed in an ever-changing global society by providing the highest level of academic instruction in a safe, positive learning environment.