



BACK-TO-SCHOOL 2024 | VOLUME 1



THE BORO BEAT

The Newsletter of Freehold Borough School District



Dear Families,

As the sun rises on a new academic year, I am filled with excitement and anticipation for the journey that lies ahead for each of us in the Freehold Borough School District. It is with great enthusiasm that I extend a warm welcome back to school to all of our students, parents, guardians, and staff.

This year promises to be one of growth, discovery, and achievement. We have worked tirelessly over the summer to prepare for your return, ensuring that our classrooms are not only safe and welcoming but also equipped with the latest tools and resources to support our students' educational journey.

Our dedicated teachers and staff are eager to meet and reconnect with our students, ready to inspire and guide them through new challenges and opportunities. We are committed to fostering a nurturing environment where every child can thrive, learn, and reach their full potential.

We understand that the start of a new school year can bring a mix of emotions, and we want to assure you that we are here to support you every step of the way. Whether it's navigating new routines, tackling homework, or simply finding your way around our campuses, our doors are always open.

This year, we will continue to build on the strong foundation of excellence that defines our district. We will embrace innovation, celebrate diversity, and cultivate a culture of respect and responsibility. Together, we will make this school year one to remember.

Please take a moment to review the important dates and information provided in this edition of the Boro Beat, and do not hesitate to reach out to your school's office if you have any questions or concerns.

Once again, welcome back! I look forward to seeing you in the halls, at our events, and cheering on our students as they embark on this new chapter of their lives.

Warm Regards,

Asia Michael

Superintendent of Schools



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Important Back-to-School Information



FREEHOLD LEARNING CENTER

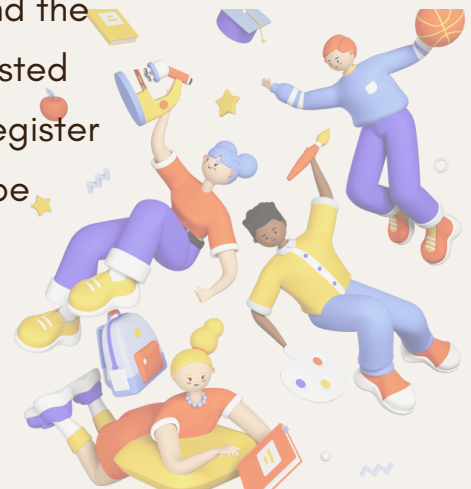
- Students must wear their lanyards to school, especially on the first day. Lanyards were mailed home earlier this month.
- Parents must review the arrival/dismissal procedures, mailed home earlier this month, before the first day of school (September 5th).
- Read Principal Smith's *Welcome Back* message [HERE](#).

FREEHOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Please read Principal Brovak and Vice Principal Elkin's *Welcome Back* letter [HERE](#).
- Please review the FIS Parent/Student Handbook [HERE](#).



We are happy to announce that our application for the Freehold Borough Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Center Program (21st CLCC) has been approved by the NJ Department of Education (NJDOE)! Students who signed up for the interim program and received confirmation from Mrs. Shaw, are eligible to attend the program starting September 9th. All other interested students can register [HERE](#) by September 3rd or register following the mandatory orientation (date to be announced).



WELCOME, NEW STAFF!



As we kick off the new school year, we are thrilled to introduce the newest members of our staff who will be joining our dedicated team. Each of these individuals brings a wealth of experience, expertise, and enthusiasm to our district, and we are excited to have them on board. Welcome to Freehold Boro!

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 2nd: Labor Day (School Closed)

September 4th: PreK Orientation @ 10:30, K Orientation @ 1:30

September 5th: 1st day of school

September 9th: Board of Education Meeting

September 18th: FLC Back-to-School Night @ 6 pm

September 19th: Back-to-School Night - PAE @ 6 pm, FIS @ 7 pm



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CLASSROOMS ARE ALMOST READY!



PAC Expansion Project

By mid-October, we will witness the grand completion of the expansion project at our Park Avenue Complex (PAC), which houses our elementary and middle schools. This expansion will add 16 classrooms to the PAC, providing us with much-needed space to accommodate our growing student body and innovative programs. The expansion at the PAC will also allow us to designate a Makerspace, a dedicated area where students can engage in hands-on learning and innovation. This unique environment will foster creativity, problem-solving, and collaboration among our students.



School Hours



Regular School Hours (6 hours, 35 minutes)			
School	Program	Start Time	Dismissal
FIS	Grades 6-8	8:00	2:35
PAE	Grades 3-5	8:35	3:10
FLC	PK – Grade 2 (SpED 3 rd)	9:05	3:40

Early Dismissal Schedule (4 hours, 15 minutes)			
School	Program	Start Time	Dismissal
FIS	Grades 6-8	8:00	12:15
PAE	Grades 3-5	8:35	12:50
FLC	PK – Grade 2 (SpED 3 rd)	9:05	1:20

Delayed Opening Schedule (2-hour delay; 4 hours, 35 minutes)			
School	Program	Start Time	Dismissal
FIS	Grades 6-8	10:00	2:35
PAE	Grades 3-5	10:35	3:10
FLC	PK – Grade 2 (SpED 3 rd)	11:05	3:40

Arrival & Dismissal at the PAC

As we continue to prioritize the safety of all our students at Park Avenue Complex, it is vital to remember the importance of vigilance during arrival and dismissal times. With many students either biking, walking, or being dropped off and picked up by car, it is crucial that we all adhere to the designated procedures to ensure a safe environment for every child. Please observe the following important guidelines:

1. **Follow Drop-off and Pick-up Procedures:** Always enter and exit at the proper locations as designated for drop-offs and pickups. These routes are designed to keep the traffic flow orderly and safe for all.
2. **Stay in the Car Line:** If you are dropping off or picking up your child by car, please remain in the car line and do not leave your vehicle. This helps in reducing congestion and minimizing the risk of accidents.
3. **No Parking in Lots:** For the safety of all children, please do not park in the parking lots to drop off or pick up your child. Parking lots can be a high-risk area for students as they necessitate walking through or around moving or stationary vehicles.
4. **Arrive at Designated Times:** Please ensure that you arrive on campus at the designated time for your child's school. Arriving too early can create unnecessary congestion and complicates the traffic flow, making it difficult to ensure a smooth and safe process for everyone.
5. **Use Designated Walkways and Sidewalks:** Please encourage all students to use the designated walkways and sidewalks while arriving at or leaving school. This not only helps in keeping them safe from vehicular traffic but also ensures they remain visible to all drivers at all times.
6. **Follow Instructions from School Staff:** School staff are on duty during arrival and dismissal times to assist with the flow of traffic and ensure the safety of all students. It is important that you follow their instructions promptly. They are there to guide and help everyone through the busy times safely.
7. **Police Officer Assistance:** To further enhance the efficiency of our arrival and dismissal process, we will have a police officer stationed at the PAC exit during these times for the first week of school. This additional support is intended to help streamline traffic flow and enhance safety measures.
8. **Expect Longer Times Initially:** Please be advised that arrival and dismissal may take longer during the first two weeks of school. This additional time allows everyone, particularly our new families, to become acclimated to our established procedures. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we all adjust to these routines.

Your cooperation is essential in maintaining a safe and efficient environment during these busy times. Let's work together to ensure that every student arrives at and departs from school safely.

Come See Us!

Stop by and visit our table at the Latino Festival!
We'll have prizes, giveaways,
information, and of course, Boro swag!
Don't miss out!

LATINO FESTIVAL OF MONMOUTH COUNTY

21 SEPT 2024

19th Edition

RAIN DATE
SEPTEMBER
22/28

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