

Springfield 2024-2025

Superintendent's Report

August 26, 2024

Springfield Public Schools Vision & Mission

Vision:

Cultivating compassionate and extraordinary learners!

Mission:

Springfield Public Schools will challenge every student through meaningful, engaging experiences — empowering all students to flourish and contribute in an evolving world.

Report Overview

- Critical Regulation Updates
 - Student Code of Conduct
 - Dress Code
- Staffing Updates
- Facilities Updates
- Calendar Reminders
- Board Agenda Highlights

Regulation 5500/5600: Expectations for Student Conduct/ Student Code of Conduct

- Provides a philosophy and framework for ensuring a common language around discipline, consistent consequences, and roles of the students, teachers, and administration.
- Aligned to current policies and regulations
- Based on feedback gathered from parents, teachers, and students
- Deeply grateful to Dr. Francis and Mr. Slate for leading this work.

Regulation 5500/5600: Expectations for Student Conduct/ Student Code of Conduct: Cell Phones

- Cell phone use is prohibited during instruction.
- Teachers have the support of the administration in taking cell phones from students.
- Students who refuse to comply will face consequences for insubordination.
- Students may have their cell phones in their backpacks, in case of emergency.
- Students may not take backpacks or cell phones to bathrooms. This is a very real problem, and parents must work with us to set the appropriate boundaries.
- We will be gathering feedback from students and teachers in the fall to ensure that our specific guidelines moving forward are clear and reasonable.

Regulation 5511: Dress Code

- Provides a framework for ensuring a respectful environment where disciplinary actions are consistent and appropriate
- Provide definitions of appropriate clothing
- Ensure a safe and secure learning environment without disruption
- Critical to have parents understand the dress code.
- Minimize loss of instructional time due to dress code violations

Gym Floors at FMG & JDHS

Facilities Updates

New Ceilings at FMG







Field House Exterior



New Classrooms at Caldwell



Residency Re-Registration

- 24-25 District Residency Re-Registration
 - Require all families to provide documentation relating to residency in Springfield
 - Contact the main office if you have provided your documentation
 - This is different from the annual Parent Portal updated information

New Student Information System: Genesis

- Parent Portal Link Shared
 - This is the annual registration process that includes updates to emergency contacts
 - Most significant issue is parents not receiving the login information. This was seen specifically in emails from yahoo.com, aol.com, and hotmail.com
 - Visit the Quicklinks dropdown menu for support
 - Email genesissupport@springfieldpublicschools.com

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Next Steps:

- Students will be utilizing Google Classroom in the coming year.
- They will have access to Genesis in the first week(s) of the school year to monitor grades, attendance.
- Access will be available via Clever
- Our student information system will be better aligned to the other critical systems and state reporting requirements.

Walton Carline: Shift in Practices

- In consultation with the Springfield Police Department
 - We must prioritize student and staff safety.
 - Staff will no longer open and close car doors for students.
 - There will be single drop off point for students in Grades K-3.
 - PK students, and students with specific needs will have a separate area.
 - Dr. Firetto will share a letter tomorrow, 8/27 with details.

Drop Off:

- Families are highly encouraged to park and walk their student to their drop off area.
 Families may park in residential areas, there are crossing guards at intersection(s).
 - Do not park opposite the school on Mountain Ave.
 - Do not park in the Renaissance Church Parking Lot

Pick Up:

- No access to the driveways unless specific need (i.e. medical). Parents/ caregivers must come to pick up their child.
- No parking on school grounds, unless you have a specific appointment.

School Start Times

Caldwell: 8:25 am- 2:45 pm

Breakfast starts at 7:55 am

Sandmeier: 8:40 am- 3:00 pm

Walton: 8:50 am- 3:10 pm

FMG: 7:45 am- 2:30 pm

Breakfast starts at 7:15 am

JDHS: 7:40 am- 2:31 pm

Breakfast starts at 7:10 am

Mark Your Calendars!

Wednesday, September 4th:

Meet & Greets
Check your email for dates & times!

Thursday, September 5th:

Back to School!



We can't wait to welcome our Bulldogs

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