



ELIZABETH FORWARD HIGH SCHOOL

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Mrs. Kelli Garlow, Principal

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Dear Parents and Students,

I hope this letter finds you as excited as I am for the start of the 2026-2027 school year at Elizabeth Forward High School. We are strongly committed to providing your child the best education in the safest environment possible. Thank you in advance for your support!

Below is some important information to help prepare your child for the first day of school:

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: School opens with a full-day session on Monday, August 31, 2026. The school day starts at 7:25 a.m. and ends at 2:20 p.m. You will receive information on busing before the start of the year directly from STA (Student Transportation of America). Please call them at (412) 385-2908 with transportation questions. Car riders can be dropped off in the rear loop of the campus no earlier than 7:15 a.m. Your child will receive his/her course schedule on the first day of school in their assigned homeroom.

LUNCH: There will be lunch the first day of school. A regular school lunch is \$2.70, and a la carte items are available each day. Information on free/reduced lunch eligibility can be found on our website at www.efsd.net under "Departments/Food Services". These forms need to be submitted every year in order to be eligible. Please remember that students will need to put money in their account to purchase lunch.

STUDENT HANDBOOK: Your child will be receiving a digital copy of the student handbook (via iPad) that includes valuable information about school guidelines, rules, and procedures that will help make them more successful in school. Please review the handbook with your child and keep it handy to reference as the year goes on. Parents and students must sign off that they have reviewed the contents of the handbook.

Information for the following can be found on our website at www.efsd.net under the High School Tab/News:
"26-27 High School Welcome Back Information Packet":

- Free/Reduced Lunch
- Setting up your child's cafe account using SchoolCafe
- Free School Breakfast
- EFSD Attendance Policy & Procedures
- Student Driving
- High School Pantry Program
- Dress Code
- Electronic Devices (cell phones)
- Important Information At-A-Glance

We trust this informational mailing will answer most of your questions regarding the start of the school year. Best of luck to you and your child in the 2026-27 school year!

Sincerely,

Kelli Garlow, Principal

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