



From the SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

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HOMEOPENER WIN FOR THE BULLDOGS

Friday, Aug. 28, was an exciting night as our varsity football team earned an impressive 44-13 victory over Barberton High School in our home opener. It was a wonderful way to begin the season at home and a special milestone for Coach Dan Larlham, who celebrated his first win with the Bulldogs.

The excitement extended throughout the stadium as our marching band delivered outstanding performances and our cheerleaders, dance team, and spirited student section kept the energy high. I am proud of the dedication and enthusiasm displayed by our students, coaches and staff, and I am grateful to the families and community members who filled the stands to support them.

The night was a reflection of the pride and tradition that make Stow-Munroe Falls such a special place. We look forward to seeing you in the stands throughout the season. Go Bulldogs!



KINDERGARTEN WELCOME

Before our home opener, we had the joy of welcoming some of our district's newest Bulldogs during our annual Kindergarten Welcome. Our kindergartners joined us at the stadium for an evening of fun before the football team took the field.

The students had the opportunity to run through the big Bulldog head and then walk around the track to collect goodies. Stow Mayor John Pribonic and I even joined them for the run through the Bulldog head, which brought plenty of laughter and smiles.



Reminders!

- Varsity Football will face Saint Francis Preparatory School (New York) at 3:30 p.m. on **Saturday, Sept. 5**, at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton, adjacent to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.
- **Stow-Munroe Falls High School students** will have their first Wednesday delayed start of the school year on **Sept. 2**. On delayed-start Wednesdays, the school day for high school students begins at 9:30 a.m. rather than the regular start time. See below for more information.
- There will be **no school on Monday, Sept. 7** in observance of Labor Day.



OUR YOUNGEST LEARNERS BEGIN THEIR JOURNEY

Our schools are now complete! This week, our kindergartners and Lil Bulldog preschoolers joined us, which means students at every grade level are officially in our buildings for the school year.

Our kindergartners took their first steps into their educational journey as the Class of 2039. Our Lil Bulldog preschoolers also began their school year at Indian Trail, where caring teachers and staff welcomed them with warm smiles, engaging activities, and classrooms ready for new adventures.

We are proud to welcome each of them into our Bulldog family and look forward to all the learning, friendships, and special memories they will experience in the years ahead.



LAKEVIEW BEGINNING BAND

Fifth-grade band registration is here! This week, our Lakeview students had the opportunity to try band instruments to discover which one might be a good fit. A pink registration form was sent home with

students. Please select an instrument, complete the bottom portion of the form, detach it, and return it to your child's homeroom teacher. *An optional Parent Meeting will be held at Lakeview on Tuesday, Sept. 1 at 7 p.m.*

HIGH SCHOOL DELAYED-START WEDNESDAYS

Throughout the year, the high school follows a regular Wednesday delayed-start schedule. While students begin their day later, high school staff are at work during this time, using the morning for professional learning, collaboration, and instructional planning.

This dedicated time allows teachers and staff to review student progress, analyze data, coordinate academic and student supports, plan instruction, and address needs across courses and grade levels. Providing regular time for this work gives staff an opportunity to collaborate in ways that can be difficult during the regular school day, while maintaining a continued focus on improving instruction and supporting student success.

