



## *FALCON FLYER- WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2019*

Good evening students, parents, and guardians:

The first week of school is in the books for 2019-20, and the students did a great job of getting into the swing of school within the first few days. Of course, you will always have some issues such as schedule changes and lockers not opening, but the students of FHS always rise to the occasion when overcoming obstacles. The ladies also did a great job of adjusting to where to use the restroom, as we had some plumbing issues in our new ladies 'restroom. The girls' locker room restroom was available for their use, and during lunches, the stadium restroom was also opened to accommodate our female students. The boys' restroom was not affected by the plumbing issues.

Thanks to the great work of our maintenance staff of Mr. Galloway, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Park, they were able to solve the issues of meshing 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology with 1950's plumbing. Friday, both restrooms were in perfect working order, and a parent from Brookside told me on Thursday evening that they were impressed on how nice the restrooms turned out. The bathrooms in the back of the school, which are a much smaller space, should be available by the end of the week of September 9<sup>th</sup>. The front restrooms are enough to accommodate the entire building, and FHS has contingency plans for students who need immediate restroom access by utilizing some other restrooms in the building.

**NO SCHOOL – LABOR DAY, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>** – FHS will be closed on Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, in observance of Labor Day. We hope that everyone enjoys the long weekend with family and friends.

**FHS STUDENTS AT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES THIS PAST SUMMER** – This summer, three students went to state leadership conferences to represent FHS. Junior Samantha Novak attended the HOBY Conference. The Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Seminar is designed to help high school sophomores recognize their leadership talents and apply them to become effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, workplace and community. Students explore their own personal leadership skills while learning how to lead others and make a positive impact in their community. Buckeye Boys State, which was attended by Seniors Jackson Thomas and Robert Rose is an eight-day hands-on experience in the operation of the democratic form of government, the organization of political parties, and the relationship of one to the other in shaping Ohio government. The Buckeye Boys State program is sponsored by the Ohio American Legion, the largest veteran's organization in the State of Ohio. At Boys State, young men learn about city, county, and state government through a non-partisan objective education approach. The young men also form friendships which will last a lifetime!

**FIRELANDS ART STUDENT PROJECTS INVITED TO CHRISTMAS IN WASHINGTON** - Firelands was invited by the ODE State Art Consultant Scott Wilson to be the only students to hand-paint 2 dozen ornaments for the National Christmas Tree "Ohio Tree" in Washington DC this year. This project is in the 97th year. Only 56 schools are selected - 50 states, districts and territories each get one small tree that circle around the big national tree. This invite is a rarity for schools in Lorain County. The Art 2, 3, 4/ AP students will receive the ornaments in Sept. and ship them out by early November. Our task is to represent "Ohio".

**COLLEGE NOW AT FHS** – A college counselor from College Now will be at FHS every other Tuesday to further assist our students in the college search process. They can answer questions about the search, application, and financial aid process

**BLOCK SCHEDULE BEGINS THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>** – This week will again have FHS on a T-F bell schedule all week. Next week, we will begin Block Schedules and Monday Bell Schedules. Please [click here](#) to see the bell schedule times at FHS.

**FHS YEARBOOK SALE FOR 2019-20** – Students can order their 2019-2020 yearbook for the lowest price it will be for the year, \$50, now through September 27th. You should have received an order form in your FAST, or you can order online at [Jostens Yearbooks](#).

**GOOGLE CLASS CODES FOR FHS STUDENTS** – Each Class (Freshman, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors) will have their own Class Codes for class informational purposes, and to have the ability to vote for Class Officers, Homecoming Court, and other items that will be beneficial to our students. They will also receive information from their Class Advisor and from their Counselors through these Google Classrooms. Here are the Codes, which the students have to access through their Google Accounts:

Seniors (Class of 2020) : x5h69r  
Juniors (Class of 2021): tqyzke  
Sophomores (Class of 2022) : x9yq5m  
Freshman (Class of 2023): jlq0awd

**INFORMATION FOR LCJVS STUDENTS and FULL-TIME CCP STUDENTS** - Students who attend either the JVS or LCCC or BG-Firelands full-time will still receive these weekly updates about the activities at FHS. Students and their parents can do the following to further get information and updates from FHS: Click on your choice of informational deliveries:

1. [FHS Website](#)
2. [Daily Announcements](#)
3. Email Mrs Dziat at [kdziat@firelandsschools.org](mailto:kdziat@firelandsschools.org) for a daily submission to your inbox
4. [Weekly Falcon Flyer](#), which is the same email which you are currently reading

**SCHOOL SCHEDULES AND ACCOUNT ACCESS** – Students can access Power School using their log-in code of Last Name + Last three digits of their student ID. The password will be the student's six digit ID Number. For example, Joe Smith has an ID of 123456. His

username would be Smith456 and the Password would be 123456. The Power School website is accessible through the Firelands Local Schools webpage.

To access student Google Accounts, the student will log into their account. The username is the same as above, but the password for everyone in Google is Firelands2019. The system will prompt you for a password reset upon your initial log-in. This will allow students to access all of their Google information, and school email.

All students should be able to access their Power School and Google accounts. If they cannot, they should inform a staff member, who can pass the information along to our technology people so they can obtain access to their accounts.

If a parent would like their own Power School account, and do not yet have one, please email Mr. Maver at [rmaver@firelandsschools.org](mailto:rmaver@firelandsschools.org) . This will allow parents to link their students throughout the district, provided they have the access codes for each student, into one account. Power School is where official grades are stored and viewed.

**GOOGLE CLASSROOM** - The Firelands School District is excited to inform our parents/guardians about our communication tool (Google Classroom). The purpose of Google Classroom is to provide a two-way communication between the classroom teacher and home. The staff has been trained and will use this tool to communicate classroom activities, upcoming classroom events, and other important information happening within the classroom.

Parents will be invited to join the teacher's link to view the Google Classroom site. This is expected to go live by Friday, September 13th. Parents will be able to get weekly updates, or daily updates, based on your preference. This is why an accurate email address from input into OneView is imperative so we can invite you to Google Classroom.

If more than one parent email is requested for Google Classroom access, just email the specific teacher and they can add an email address for parent access.

**PARKING PASSES** – Students must fill out a parking registration form, located in the FHS main office, or on the left-hand side of the Firelands High School website. Students must submit the completed form, combined with a copy of a valid driver's license, a completed Drug Testing Policy form, and \$10. Students who have already completed a drug form (on paper or in Final Forms) are not required to submit another drug form. Just click on the Parking Form icon under FHS Parking to bring up a fillable form that you can type on, print out, and then submit to the main office. The page is available by [clicking here](#).

**ONEVIEW – STUDENT PAPERWORK** – Firelands Local School District will continue to use OneView to update our back- to-school forms. From your web browser, go to our homepage at: <http://www.firelandsschools.org> and click on Student Registration. Then follow the link for the Firelands OneView Portal at <https://firelands.esvportal.com/> . If you can access OneView with your username and password, follow the directions below to update the information for the 2019-20 school year. Each child's parents/guardians have received a one-page mailer with OneView

Username and Password information, which will be necessary if you cannot access your OneView account. That will help you log onto the system.

After you have logged into OneView, select the “Submit & View Online Forms” tab. Under the *2019-2020 Back To School Forms* banner, please complete and submit the “Student Demographic and EMA” form. As a reminder, **if you have multiple children enrolled in Firelands, you must complete this form separately for each child.**

In order to ensure we have your child’s most accurate health history and emergency contact information, **we ask that all forms be completed as soon as possible.** You can, at any time throughout the year, update new phone numbers, email addresses, etc. If you need assistance with your account, please contact the FHS Main Office for assistance. This is also how we communicate through email, as it is vital to have accurate email addresses. One more item, if you have changed your any information, please update it in OneView and also email Mrs. Dziat to let her know of the changes. Her email address is [kdziat@firelandsschools.org](mailto:kdziat@firelandsschools.org)

**FHS PICTURE DAY** – Ripcho Studio will be at Firelands High School on Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, for school pictures. This includes Seniors, as Ripcho no longer comes to FHS to photograph Seniors alone. Seniors who have had pictures taken by another studio still need to sit for these pictures to be included in the Yearbook and Class Composite. There is no charge from Ripcho for these pictures. Forms will be sent through email to all parents closer to this date, so they can order their pictures through Ripcho Studios, who take pictures for FHS. **J.V.S. Students will have their picture taken at the LCJVS in either August or September. If ANY Senior has not had their senior picture taken by Ripcho Studio, they will need to have their picture taken on this date for publication in the yearbook and the Senior Composite Picture. You may also contact Ripcho at 1-216-631-0664, 800-686-7427 or by email at [www.ripchostudio.com](http://www.ripchostudio.com)** for more information regarding a senior portrait.

Here is a link to the Ripcho website for picture day: <https://mailchi.mp/2952cc237022/picture-day-for-firelands-high-school-1355105?e=134fab3c56>

**Athletic Updates** – Senior Alessandra Davis was the Champion of the Gold Division in the Avon Lake Early Bird XC Meet at LCCC on Saturday morning. Davis ran a stellar 21:09 for the 5K in winning the title. Junior Christian Cornwell finished 15<sup>th</sup> in the Boys Gold Division. Girls Soccer team scored nine goals in their 9-3 win over Oberlin on Wednesday evening. The Volleyball team ended the weekend by defeating former PAC schools Lutheran West and Fairview in a tri-match on Saturday morning. The football team battled on Friday night, but fell to Edison 40-25 in their opener in Milan. They travel to Amherst this Friday to take on the Comets. Please note that the SWC football ticket prices are \$7 for all tickets as you purchase your tickets at Amherst on Friday night. [Click here](#) to get all of Mr. Stillman’s updates from the FHS Athletic website.

Go Falcons!!!

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