



Kari McGann, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

Every Student, Every Day, Every Opportunity

September 4, 2024

Dear Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Faculty, Staff Members, Parents, and Community Members,

The first day of school for our students is tomorrow, September 5! All of us in Flemington-Raritan are filled with excitement, anticipation, and a renewed sense of purpose. Our dedicated faculty and staff have been working tirelessly to prepare for our students' return, ensuring our schools are places where creativity, collaboration, and academic excellence are fostered. We're here for all 3,300 students, every day, at every opportunity!

School Hours

The day begins for each grade as follows: 8:55 a.m. for Grades PreK-4; 8:17 a.m. for Grades 5-6; and 8:15 a.m. for Grades 7-8. Hours for each school for regular days, early dismissals, and delayed openings are [linked here](#).

Buses

To make our school opening extra special, District team members will be riding buses on Thursday and Friday, September 5 and 6. We can't wait to experience the thrill of the first day with students. We will be riding multiple elementary school buses to greet families, welcome students, pass out stickers, and help make bus rides fun and memorable.

As of late today, Flemington-Raritan continues to receive changes to transportation information from the Hunterdon Central Transportation Office. As these changes to bus stops and bus numbers are communicated to us, we are updating Genesis. Please check your child's bus information in our [Genesis](#) system for updated bus times, numbers, and locations.

We are so grateful for our drivers! Our drivers are crucial for ensuring our students' safety, providing reliable transportation, and beginning a positive day for our students, all of which support students' overall well-being and academic success. Your patience is much appreciated during the first few days of school as buses can be delayed during morning and afternoon runs. Our dedicated drivers are getting accustomed to new routes and getting to know the children who are riding on their buses.

In the event you need to reach the Transportation Office, please call (908) 284-7154. The Transportation Office and your child's school are available to support you with any questions or concerns.

Communication

Please check our [website](#) and social media pages ([Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [X](#)) for District news, announcements, photos, and much more! We share a weekly *Headlines* e-blast with our families, which includes important reminders, upcoming events, and Virtual Backpack flyers. We also share a *Board News & Notes* e-blast after Board of Education meetings to keep our community updated on Board business. For weather-related emergencies, urgent matters, and significant developments, we use our SchoolMessenger system to share updates via phone, e-mail, and text notifications. Please be sure all contact information is updated in the Genesis Parent Portal so that we can reach you in an emergency.

Thank you for your continued partnership. Together, I am confident we will make this year one of growth, achievement, and shared success for our students. Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

Sincerely,

Dr. Kari McGann
Superintendent of Schools

Strategic Goals:

Goal Area #1: The District will provide a comprehensive and rigorous educational experience that connects and expands students' knowledge while engaging and empowering all learners to synthesize and apply their skills and understandings in meaningful ways.

Goal Area #2: Develop a continuation of a multi-tiered system of support within the district to target the social, emotional, and mental health needs of students.

Goal Area #3: The district will create opportunities to foster unity between the community and the school district in order to strengthen partnerships and develop a shared responsibility for student success.

Goal Area #4: Create an enticing and competitive work environment to attract and retain high-quality candidates representative of students' diverse backgrounds in the Flemington Raritan Regional School District community.

Goal Area #5: Ensure the finance and facilities needs are budgeted to upkeep and meet the needs of the growing district.