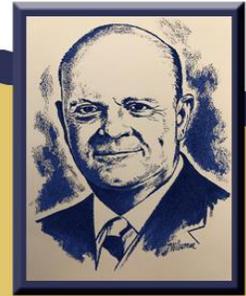


Welcome to Jack C. FAUBION MIDDLE SCHOOL



Dr. Jimmy Bowser
Principal

Hello Faubion Families,

Dr. Sara Kriesel-Hall
Assistant Principal
(Last Names A-G)

Wow, we are off to an amazing start! It has been such a pleasure having our kids back in the building. This building is just bricks and mortar until you add teachers and kids into the mix. At that point, we have SCHOOL! I found myself Wednesday night feeling like we were much farther into the school year because the kids have managed to really settle in quickly. Of course we have a few that new to Faubion that still get a bit turned around in the building during passing period, but that's okay. I am absolutely certain they will get the hang of it soon. Beginning on Monday, students will be required to report to the nearest House Office to get a tardy pass. The Assistant Principals are usually still in the hall for a few minutes after the tardy bell rings, so this next week they can assess each situation.

Roberto Dominguez
Assistant Principal
(Last Names H-O)

Michael DeMakas
Assistant Principal
(Last Names P-Z)

Robin Phillips
Counselor
(Last Names A-G)

Christie Thompson
Counselor
(Last Names H-O)

The mornings have been going well, but I want to remind you that there is **no one on duty to supervise your child before 8:15am**, so we have to ask that you not just drop them off and leave before 8:15am. We want our kids to be safe and supervised by a FMS staff member when they are on campus. We appreciate your assistance and your understanding. After school pickup has been going very well this week. Dismissal is quite the event each day and we certainly appreciate the kindness and patience that our parents and students have shown in listening to our on duty staff and driving cautiously through the school zone each afternoon. We added some additional signage at the crosswalk and moved the speed limit signs to better assist us in keeping our kids safe. Please remember that speeding or using your mobile device while driving in a school zone can draw hefty fines from McKinney Police Department. Again, thank you for helping to keep our kids safe.

Christina Kiefer
Counselor
(Last Names P-Z)

Speaking of mobile devices... electronic or mobile devices are allowed at school and students are free to use them during "non-instructional times" that include before school, after school and during lunches. The use of mobile devices during instructional time is prohibited. Failure to adhere to this policy will result in device confiscation. When a device is confiscated, the parent must come to pick up the device. Repeated violations will result in a \$15 fee to pick up the device. There are certain times when a teacher may allow students to use their device for instructional purposes. Students may have their device out for instructional purposes out only with the permission of the teacher. The device should be off/silent when not being used for instructional purposes. If you need to get an urgent message to your child, please feel free to call the school at 469-302-6900 and we'll get the message your child right away. Mobile devices should **never** be left unattended because they face the risk of being stolen. Please be sure to discuss this with your child here at the beginning of the year. For more information about the use of electronic devices at school, dress code and other information, please see the [MISD Student Rules and Regulations page](#).



Ride Sharing Services

While we realize that popular ride-sharing services like *Uber* and *Lyft* provide convenience for their customers, the drivers of these services are not authorized contacts and therefore will not be allowed to pick up students during the school day. If there is someone else that you would like to authorize to pick up your child during the school day, please contact our Registrar, Ms. Laurie Kiley at LKiley@mckinneyisd.net or call 469-302-6905. Any authorized person must be able to provide proof of their identity before we will release your child to their custody. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Food Services

For questions regarding food service, please contact Aramark Services at 469-302-4263.

Breakfast and lunch prices for 2018-2019:

- Student Secondary Breakfast \$1.20
- *Reduced* Secondary Breakfast \$0.30
- Student Secondary Lunch \$2.90
- *Reduced* Secondary Lunch \$0.40

Free/Reduced Meal Service

Students will receive an application in the first week of school if they request one. Parents and students may [apply online HERE](#). All students who were on the free and reduced program last year will automatically receive benefits from the same status as the previous school year **for an initial grace period of 30 days**. Students who do not have a 2018-2019 application on file will no longer receive benefits after October 2nd.

Live Kind!

This year McKinney ISD is implementing a new initiative called *Live Kind*. What is kindness? Kindness is an expression of acceptance and appreciation that inspires positive action. Kindness is possible when individuals possess the following skills: Collaboration, Active Listening, Self-Regulation & Coping Skills, Empathy and Speaking with Positive Intention. Live Kind will be a theme and common language inside and outside of Faubion Middle School. Parents and teachers will be able to tweet pictures of kindness activities to #FMSLivesKind and #MISDLivesKind.

School Safety

A critical ingredient in the safe school recipe is the uniform classroom response to any incident. Weather events, fires, accidents, intruders and other threats to student safety are scenarios that are planned and trained for by all McKinney ISD schools and District Administration and staff. Historically, schools have taken this scenario-based approach to respond to hazards and threats. Each McKinney



ISD classroom is furnished with the Standard Response Protocol poster that provides teachers with readily accessible response procedures and provides information during a crisis event. The attached handout explains Standard Response Protocol that is taught to students, faculty and staff.

Please click the link below to view the Standard Response Protocol parent handout.

<https://www.mckinneyisd.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/SRP-Parent-Handout.pdf>

6th Grade Student Social

The Faubion Middle School PTO is proud to host the annual 6th grade social, 2 Cool 4 School, on Thursday, September 7th at 3pm in the FMS cafeteria. **2 Cool 4 School** is held during the first few weeks of school to welcome 6th graders to Faubion and give them an opportunity to meet new friends while attending our Clubs & Organization Fair. At the fair, students can learn all about the clubs and organizations here at Faubion, talk to their members and sponsors and enjoy some treats provided by the PTO. The social takes place during 7th period. Students will be released at 3:42 to get their belongings and participate in the normal dismissal process for the day. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Ms. Janelle Carpenter, Our FMS PTO President, at janellecarpenter@me.com or the 6th Grade Welcome Committee Chair, Ms. Angela Hibbard at angela@hibbard.com.

Join Our PTO

The Faubion PTO is an integral part of the success of our school. Each year our PTO provides back to school supplies, lunches/snacks and volunteers to make copies for our teachers, and offers convenient and low cost solutions to purchasing PE clothes and school supplies for our students, and provide volunteers to operate our school store **The Lion's Den** among many other things. We invite EVERY parent to join our PTO. To learn more about our PTO, join our PTO or sign up for volunteer opportunities, please visit <http://faubionpto.weebly.com>.

Well, that's all for this week. We are looking forward to an amazing school year. Thank you all for your support in helping to make this first week of school a GREAT week of school. We end this week with 1,303 students, making us the largest middle school in McKinney ISD.

Happy Friday and have a great weekend!

Your Partner in Education,
Dr. Jimmy Bowser, Principal
Faubion Middle School

