

FORDSON HIGH SCHOOL

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*"Whatever It Takes,
One Student At A Time."*

Dear Fordson High School Parents and Guardians,

We hope this message finds you and your family well-rested after a safe and relaxing summer break.

Here at Fordson High School, your child's success is our top priority. Our dedicated staff and administrators have been working diligently throughout the summer preparing for what promises to be a successful 2025-2026 school year.

As we transition into this new academic year, we are renewing our commitment to fostering a safe, supportive, and dynamic learning environment. Our goal is to ensure that every child at Fordson High School reaches their fullest potential. We believe in the power of **"Whatever it Takes, One student at a time,"** and this philosophy will guide our efforts to provide personalized support and opportunities for growth for each and every student.

I'm thrilled about the journey ahead at Fordson High School. I look forward to working with each of you to realize our shared vision for an inclusive, supportive, and academically enriching environment for all our students.

Below I've provided you with important information and student expectations for the upcoming school year. Your involvement and our partnership are key to your child's success. Stay connected. Stay involved.

Start and End Times for Fordson High School

School starts at 7:45 am and ends at 2:45 pm. Breakfast is served daily in the cafeteria starting at 7:15 am. Half days end at 10:55 am.

- Friday, August 22nd: Open House: 1:30pm - 3:00pm
- Monday, August 25th: First Day of School: 7:45 am - 10:55 am (1/2 day) - Breakfast will be served 7:15 am - 7:45am. No lunch.
- Tuesday, August 26th - Thursday, August 28th: Full day of school: 7:45 am - 2:45 pm
- Friday, August 29th and Monday, September 1st: No School : Labor Day Vacation
- Tuesday, September 2nd: Early Release Tuesday's begin: School starts at 7:45 am and ends at 1:15 pm
- Please visit <https://dearbornschools.org/calendars/> to view all district calendars

Parent Connect:

Parents are encouraged to check Parent Connect on a regular basis in order to monitor their child's academic progress and attendance. If you do not have access to Parent Connect, please contact the main office for help at 313-827-1400.

Parent Meetings:

Please join us for our monthly Parent Meetings starting in October. We will send out email reminders as well as a robocall prior to each meeting. Please plan to attend and help by getting the word out to other parents. Your voice and input is crucial to making Fordson High School a better learning environment for your child/children.

New Student Registration

New student registration forms can be picked up in the main office or call 313-827-1415 if you have any questions.

9th Grade Student Orientation & Pictures Monday, August 18th.

Last Name A-D: 9:00 am to 12:00. (Arrive at 8:50 am)

Last Name E-Z: 12:30pm - 3:30pm (Arrive at 12:20 pm)

9th grade students will have a day filled with activities designed to help prepare them for a successful transition into high school. They will meet their Link Leaders, get to know their future classmates and staff, tour the school **and receive their schedule**. New this year, students will also take their school picture for their School ID. It is an important day for our students as they transition to high school. Any student that does not attend the orientation can access their schedule via Student Connect or Parent Connect starting Sunday, August 24th.

Lockers:(In-Coming 9th grade students only)

Locker numbers and combinations will be listed on the schedule. Please remind your child the importance of keeping all locker combinations confidential. Students should also use their own locker and not share with other students.

DRESS CODE

Students must dress appropriately in a manner that is not distracting or disruptive to the learning process:

- Skirts, shorts, must come to the tip of the longest finger in a natural stance.
- Shirts must cover midriff, no crop tops.
- No outerwear may be worn in classes; No coats, no jackets, no hats, etc.
- All tank tops and sleeveless shirts should have straps three finger-widths wide- no spaghetti straps. No jerseys may be worn unless accompanied by a t-shirt underneath it.
- No undergarment (bras, underwear, boxer shorts, etc.) should be showing.
- Clothing, jewelry, symbols, or other things denoting gang membership are not permitted. Clothing displaying offensive or inappropriate pictures or writing, which includes but is not limited to topics of sex, tobacco, alcohol and other drugs, are not permitted.
- Also any items that can cause safety concerns are not permitted.

CELL PHONE/ELECTRONIC POLICY:

We highly recommend that ALL students keep cell phones/electronics at home. If one of these items causes a disruption to the learning environment (i.e., phone going off, texting, taking a picture or video), the cell phone/electronic device may be confiscated and the student will be referred to the administration team for disciplinary action including suspension. Confiscated cell phones/electronics may be redeemed by a parent/guardian before or after school from the main office.

ATTENDANCE:

- Consistent and timely attendance to class considerably enhances your child's educational experience. It is important that high school students are present and in class on time and ready to learn. High school students have plenty of time between classes to get their school supplies, get a drink of water, or to use the restroom. **Parents will be notified in the event that their child is consistently tardy, late, and/or absent to class. Students that are consistently tardy or late to class may be referred to the administration team for disciplinary action and may be placed on audit.**
- If your child is unable to attend school please contact the attendance office at (313) 827-1400. When calling, parents should give the following information: student's name, grade, reason for and length of absence.
- If a child must leave school early or arrive late parents must contact the attendance office and sign their child into or out of school.

You can [Follow us on FHS Facebook](#) for the latest happenings at Fordson High School and for upcoming events.

Sincerely,



Chadi Farhat
Fordson High School
Principal