

Superintendent's Report for July 2022

FSD3- A Premier District of Choice



Ensuring Our Students Are College or Career Ready and Productive and Responsible members of society.



Legislative Updates

Members of the General Assembly spent the Tuesday before the July 4th working through the 73 budget vetoes in the \$13 billion state budget.

- Of the K12 budget vetoes, one of the vetoes that were sustained (agreed to) and no longer exist in the budget is **Proviso 1.99 that authorizes school districts to “hire noncertified teachers in critical needs geographic areas and subject areas if a certified teacher is not available.”**
- A new state spending plan for FY 2022-2023 was adopted, and the state minimum teacher salary schedule will increase by \$4,000.

August

27-28: [School Law Conference](#) will be held in Greenville, SC.

FSD3 DISTRICT UPDATES

School and District Needs

- In April, the Board approved a transfer of **\$950,000** from our fund balance for potential housing, safety upgrades, athletic, chorus/ensemble, and needs /upgrades, and staff bonuses in December 2021.

To date, we have ordered metal detectors and bleachers.

Current to do /purchase list:

1. Purchase clear book bags for students.
2. Remove carpet in several offices /spaces.
3. Purchase items on the athletic needs list.
4. Purchase Humidifiers for Panther Pride Classrooms (Windows Boarded)



Athletic Needs

1. Wrestling - Mats—(Critical Need)
2. Track—Warmups, field equipment, javelins
3. Football—helmet decals, mouthpieces, girdles, knee pads
4. Softball—JV and varsity uniforms, fill-in pants, hose kit for
infield
5. Boys Basketball—New uniforms
6. Girls Basketball—JV uniforms, equipment, warmups
7. Boys Soccer—Uniforms, warmups, and a net
8. Girls Soccer—Uniforms
9. Cross Country—New uniforms, a portable bench, side
panels for tent

S.C. sales tax holiday kicks off Aug. 5

- Computers, clothes, school supplies and a variety of other items can be purchased free of Sales Tax during South Carolina's annual 72-hour Sales Tax Holiday. The 2022 Tax Free Weekend takes place Friday, Aug. 5, through Sunday, Aug. 7. The South Carolina Department of Revenue reminds shoppers that eligible items can be purchased online and in-store without paying the state's 6% Sales Tax and any applicable local taxes during South Carolina's Tax Free Weekend. (Source: The T&D)



SUMMER LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS

(Relevant opportunities for learning reduces the learning gap & learning loss)

- Leadership camp@ FMU ---11
- STEM Camp @ Allen University ----10
- Girl State in Columbia, SC ---- 2
- Darlington Exploratory /Bridge Camp –52
- Governor School of ARTS ---- 2
- LCECC Academic & 21st Century Camps – 200
- MSE Read-to-Succeed & 21st Century Camps - 165
- Middle School Academic Camp – 79
- LCHS Academic Camp (Grades 9-12) -- 88
- Boys and Girls Club Camp –100
- Photography Camp -----6
- Theater /Acting Camp ----6
- Culinary Camps ----- 33
- Yale Young Global Scholar--1
- McLeod Nursing Academy --- 2
- FMU’s Camp Activate ---9
- ART Camp--5
- CNA----6
- Clemson Reading Camp—4
- STEM Camp --29

Total Student Engagement/Participation: 808

Financial Supporters who supported camp opportunities for our students. (Meals and transportation)

Financial Supporters

1. Class of '82

(Sarah Gay; Dr. Evelyn Fulmore; Rebecca Elliott, Retired Principal, Principal's daughter-engineer, and others)

2. Dr. Ronald E McNair Committee



IMPORTANT EVENTS & DATES

Tuesday, July 19, 2022 @ 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm

- Superintendent's Virtual Town Hall Informational Meeting for Parents & Stakeholders

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

- New Employee Luncheon

Thursday, July 21, 2022

- Student On-Site Registration (7:00 am – 7:00 pm)

Monday, July 25, 2022

- All employees return to work.
- 8:30 am ---Opening Ceremony (Theme: Power of One: Transformational Impact)

Thursday, July 28, 2022

- Open House – 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm

We look forward to working with our students, staff, parents, stakeholders, communities, supporters and businesses to produce TRANSFORMATIONAL IMPACT!

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