

**FSP Meeting
September 3, 2024**

President Theresa Larkin:

FSP Board Introductions for the 2024-2025 School Year: Theresa Larkin President, Nicole Paccini and Lauren Gray Vice President, Maria Adams Treasurer, and Melissa Hunter Secretary.

Our two fall fundraisers currently going on are our Fall Mums Sale and Spirit wear. Our fundraising helps support the curriculum enrichment funds for each grade level, family night, classroom parties, the Kindergarten Mother's Day teas, holiday parties, forgotten lunches, awards, and scholarships

Our Mums Fundraiser closes on September 16, 2024. We have partnered with Golden Gate Nursery on LaGrange. Mum pick up will be Sunday, September 29th, at Golden Gate Nursery. from 11-1. More details on the pick-up will be sent out closer to the date.

Sprite Wear Sales now until Sept 20th.

We partnered with Action Sports. Spirit wear will be delivered to each of the schools. Stay tuned for the delivery date.

Fall Bookfair:

Our Grand Prairie Bookfair will be held September 30th –October 4th. We will set up on Friday, September 27th. Family night is scheduled for October 3, 2024

Chelsea Bookfair is scheduled for October 18th – October 21st. Set up will be on Friday, October 8th.

Hickory Creek Bookfair is scheduled for October 28th – November 1st. We are looking for a Co-Bookfair Chair at Hickory Creek. If you are interested, please let us know.

The schools are currently spending their funds from our Spring Bookfair. Chelsea just finished shopping and purchasing new reading materials for the students. Grand Prairie is currently shopping, and Hickory Creek will receive their funds to shop and purchase items to replenish and update their libraries.

We have a few additional volunteer opportunities if you are interested:

Grand Prairie Hot lunch volunteer coordinator in purple. Duties: Come to every hot lunch and smoothie day. Coordinate the volunteers, oversee to make sure each grade level lunch runs smoothly and keep in communication with GP office and make sure all students receive lunch.

We are also looking for a volunteer to oversee the overall hot lunch program for all three schools. Currently Maria Adams is fulfilling that position, but she is looking to step down. Maria will stay on this year for support and guidance during the transition.

Our first FSP HOT lunch is next week, and we will be serving chicken tenders

Our second hot lunch will be the week of September 24th, and we will be serving burgers.

Volunteer sign-ups for hot lunch and smoothie day will be sent out this week.

The last day to purchase hot lunch for all boosters is September 15th for October lunches.

Come see us at the Tiger Trot on the Green on September 7th. We will have a table set up with our Prize Wheel for the kids.

Treasurer Report Maria :

We went over each line item on the approved budget for the 2024-2025 school year. For September.

Maria presented the budget line by line and then asked attendees questions. No one had a question, so she then asked for approval of the budget. The budget was passed for the 2024-25 school year.

Chelsea Ms. Newcomb:

We are officially up and running. We are 8 days into the school year and the kids are doing so well. This year theme is “adventure awaits” This theme is to promote being confident in trying new things, rely on yourself, communicate, and be an advocate for what you need.

We are displaying teachers, staff and students travels. We would love to collect as many pictures as possible from everyone displaying where they’ve traveled. If you would like your pictures to be displayed, you can send them to Mrs. Newcomb, We would love to see all the places our Chelsea Tigers have been.

Band and Orchestra instrument try outs for 5th grade. More information will be coming home with information in an email from Doug Adams

Our Curriculum Night is Thursday 5:30-7

Picture Day is Sept 9th

Fast Bridge Assessment will be the Week of September 9th for Reading and Math.

Planning for our upcoming after school clubs. An email including a list of afterschool clubs will be emailed home on Friday 13th. This will allow time for families to review. An additional email will be sent home on Monday September 16th for the online sign ups. These classes are limited and first come first serve.

Rise and Shine our running club will begin on September 16th. All permission slips are due by Sept 13th

Mix It Up Day will be Oct 3rd....This gives students an opportunity to meet new friends and spend time with old friends, catching up.

Hickory Creek Mrs. Dotson:

We are kicking the school year off with success.

Our theme this year is based around “appreciating our own identity”

Last week, each advisory class played tug-a war. The classes chose a color, team name and mascot. They had a lot of fun, while building team building skills.

This year we are encouraging the kids to use their lockers between classes. The kids have transitioned well and are adjusting to the new changes.

Fast Bridge testing will also take the next week as well. Our 8th grade students will begin prepping for the PSAT for LWE. The test will take place at the end of October. The test will take place during school at Hickory Creek.

This fall is filled with extra-curricular activities for the students. We are currently in the middle of baseball and softball season. Girl's golf will head to sectionals on Thursday.

Cross Country is underway.

Girls Basketball and Cheerleading try outs coming up for the fall season.

Tiger TV is underway way as well as Intramural Soccer Curriculum Night is tomorrow night, Wednesday. We are looking forward to seeing all the families attend.

8th grade families are invited to attend the Washington Trip meeting at 7pm following curriculum night

Grand Prairie Mrs. Szudy

Last week, we had our Curriculum Night on Tuesday. The administration presentation will be posted on the district website for those who missed it.

Our first hot lunch for the school year is Thursday, Sept 5th

Our Fast Bridge testing will be held on September 10th for reading and September 11th for math.

We will begin to introduce the students to our safety drills. We will do three practice drills. The first drill is with no bells, the 2nd drill we will add bells, and the 3rd drill will be done in October with the Frankfort Fire Department.

We will also do a severe weather drill at the end of September.

On September 15th, we will have our anti-bullying presentation on Monday, Sept 16th. Our school social workers will lead this presentation during their PE time. The presentation will teach the students how to advocate for themselves and others.

Thank you to our incredible staff, students and families, back to school has been amazing

Dr. Wernet Superintendent:

Our 2024-2025 Goals for our district are student growth, student opportunity, improving communication and safety.

We have a few changes in our administration this year at Grand Prairie, we would like to welcome Kim Szudy as Principal and Nicole Reiser as Vice Principal.

We hope to see everyone at our 2nd annual Tiger Trot on Saturday 7th.

Picture Day is Monday, September 9th at all 3 schools.

This year we are using a different photographer for our school pictures. There will not be an order form to fill out prior to school pictures. A link to view the pictures will be emailed home, from there you can purchase the school pictures. Picture re-take will be October 21st.

This year we welcomed our new Resource Officer, Officer Mineo. You will see him at each of the schools throughout the day.

We've added an additional crossing guard at Hickory Creek due to the construction.

That is a wrap for our first meeting! Thank you so much for coming out and joining us today. Tuesday October 1st is our next meeting. We hope to see you there