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Principal's Press

It is hard to believe that we are almost at the end of the school year. The closure of a school year brings many exciting events and activities like Prom, After Prom, and Graduation. You will find a list of these activities, along with dates, times, and places in the envelope and on the online resource. These events mark a momentous occasion in your son/daughter(s) journey through life. This time of year comes with great joy and celebration. You and your child should be very proud.

I would like to take this time to remind you that should your son/daughter owe school fees, you will need to make arrangements with the bookkeeper to receive your son/daughter's diploma. The last day for paying by check will be May 1, 2023. We will accept payments by cash or credit card until May 26, 2023. You may pay by cash only on the day of graduation at Cintas Center. No change will be given, so the exact amount will be necessary at graduation. Diplomas of students who owe fees will be held until arrangements have been made or the fees have been paid. You may contact the bookkeeper, Maria Buschmann, at 942-2999 ext. 2503.

While this letter is not meant to alarm anyone, it is my goal to stress to you, as parents/guardians, the importance concerning good attendance and appropriate behavior of our students these last remaining weeks. We have appreciated your support of our efforts at Fairfield High School and we hope that you will show us the same support one last time. This is an exciting time for everyone! We are proud of all of our seniors, and we are looking forward to sharing in the celebration with you and your son or

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The Mission of Fairfield High School, working in collaboration with the home and community, is to instill in all students the desire and skills for academic, character, and social development. This is provided in a safe and nurturing environment that is respectful of each student's learning style, potential, and cultural diversity in order to cultivate responsible and productive citizens for the future.

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daughter. Graduation practice is May 22nd at 8:00 am at the high school. Please remember that our graduation practice is mandatory, and students not in attendance will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony.

Lastly, each year we have heard from parents who express concern about the decorum of the Commencement ceremony. Fairfield Senior High School Class of 2023 desire that the Commencement is dignified and orderly. This goal requires the cooperation of graduates, parents, and spectators. One of the most disruptive aspects of Commencement can occur when audience members clap and make loud noises when a graduate's name is read. When this takes place, the family of the next student may have difficulty hearing the announcement of their araduate's name. Your cooperation in respecting this request is appreciated. The audience has several opportunities throughout the program to show their appreciation for the entire class. Please be considerate of all members of this outstanding senior class!

If you have any questions about our upcoming events, please call the high school.

Sincerely,

Ryan Bellamy Principal

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER YOUR 2022-2023 FHS YEARBOOK!

Attention FHS students and parents: You can order a 2022-2023 FHS Yearbook using the following link or QR code. Yearbooks are \$75. The deadline to order 22-23 yearbooks is Friday, May 26th.

https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A06412000



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Mark your calendars for the 2023-2024 High School conference dates! Fairfield High School uses PTCfast (https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Fairfield_High_School) for online conference scheduling. Make sure to sign up for the High School News https://hs.fairfieldcityschools.com for additional information as the conference date gets closer. FHS conferences are by appointment only and are scheduled with each teacher individually in 15-minute increments.

FHS CONFERENCE DATES 2023-2024:

- September 21, 2023 Thursday
- November 30, 2023 Thursday
- February 15, 2024 Thursday
- April 11, 2024 Thursday

2023 - 2024 PARKING PASSES

Parking Permits for the 2023 – 2024 school year will be available for purchase using Payschools (www.payschoolscentral.com) starting Wednesday 7/5/2023. Parking Permit Applications will be available for completion through Final Forms (www.fairfield-oh.finalforms.com) beginning Tuesday 8/1/2023. All students driving to FHS – including Flex, CBIP, PSEO/CCP student drivers are **REQUIRED** to purchase a parking permit. Make sure to sign up for the FHS Parent News emails, Remind & check the District or FHS websites for any updates.





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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

May 7, 2023 Arts Fair

May 9, 2023 Senior Scholarship Night

May 1 – 12, 2023 AP Testing Dates

May 13, 2023 Prom/AfterProm

May 15, 2023 Underclassmen Awards

May 19, 2023 Elementary Walks and Senior FairField Day

May 22, 2023 Grad Practice/Senior Awards Breakfast

May 25, 2023 Last Day for all Students

May 27, 2023 Graduation, Cintas Center, Xavier University

9:30am

June 5 – June 30, 2023* Summer School, Advanced Credit

June 12 – July 7, 2023* Summer School, Make-up & Online

*Dates subject to change

August 3, 2023** New student and sophomore schedule pick

up and pictures for student ID/yearbook

August 4, 2023** All student schedule pick up and pictures

August 7, 2023** All student schedule pick up and pictures

**Subject to change. More information will be posted on the high school's website closer to the dates. All students need a picture for student ID – no purchase necessary.



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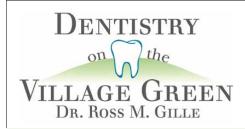


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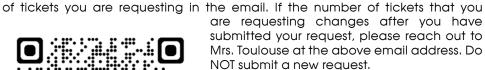


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ATTENTION: CLASS OF 2023 **SENIORS & FAMILIES**

At the request of Xavier University, our graduation ceremony will be ticketed this year. Each graduating student/family will need to submit a request for tickets, not to exceed 10 tickets per graduate. Please use the QR code below to request tickets OR send a request through email to Christi Toulouse at toulouse_c@ fairfieldcityschools.com. Ве to include student first/last name, student school ID, and the number



Tickets will be distributed during Graduation Practice on Monday, May 22nd. You will be required to present your tickets upon entry to Cintas Center when you attend the graduation ceremony.



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CLASS OF 2023 GRADUATES!

Don't forget to complete the Final Transcript Request Form – if this step is not completed it may delay and/or prevent your college or program from finalizing your admissions process.

Requests are processed **ONLINE ONLY** thru Google Forms & accessible starting Monday May 1, 2023 8am, ending Monday July 31, 2023 10pm.

INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO ACCESS CLASS OF 2023 FINAL TRANSCRIPT REQUEST:

- 1. All school fees must be paid in full. Your diploma & transcript requests will be placed on hold until the financial obligation has been fulfilled.
- Scan the QR code or use the following link to access the Class of 2023 Final Transcript Request: http://bit.ly/FHSclass2023
- 3. You must submit a new form for each request. One (1) request only per form.
- Final Transcripts will be mailed directly to the entity named on the form beginning the week of 6/12/23. Please allow at least 2 weeks mailing time for transcripts to arrive at their intended destination.
- See online form for information regarding requests for transcripts being mailed outside of the United States.

Final Transcripts are created AFTER final grades have posted (based on end of year report cards) and will show the date that your diploma was awarded. Final Transcripts will be mailed directly to the college, military branch, professional organization, trade school, etc., that you have requested on the form, Please make sure that ALL information is correct and accurate before submission. If you are unsure of where you need your transcript sent, it is the **STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY** to verify the information.

Fairfield High School is not responsible for transcripts not received or delayed due to incorrect and/or inaccurate information and/or for lost or misdirected transcripts. FHS **DOES NOT** send Final Transcripts electronically.







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THEATRE NEWS

As the school year comes to a close, we in the theatre department would like to take a moment to reflect on the many wonderful productions we've had the privilege of presenting to you. This year's shows included classic musicals like *Mary Poppins*, which captivated audiences of all ages with its memorable songs and magical special effects, as well as *Writer's Bloc*, an original play written by director Mike Massie and his son Tim Massie with original music by senior Aiden Harbaum, which showcased the talents of our talented young actors and writers. We started a Traveling Theatre Troupe that traveled to various elementary schools to do co-curricular presentations of Folktales from around the world! And as always, our Student-Directed One-Act Festival was the epitome of FHS Theatre Arts mission of Educational Theatre. Thank you to our student directors: Willow Haynes, Azaria Jones, Tim Massie, and Kylie Stewart.

We are immensely grateful for the continued support of this community, which has enabled us to bring these productions to life and provide our students with a creative outlet to express themselves and develop their skills. The arts are an important part of any well-rounded education, and we feel fortunate to have the opportunity to share our passion with all of you.

As we look ahead to next year's productions, we are excited to continue pushing boundaries and exploring new artistic territory. With your continued support, we are confident that we can achieve great things and create even more memorable moments on the stage.

Thank you again for your support and for being an important part of our theatre family.

HEY FUTURE THESPIANS!

Are you ready to unleash your creativity, build your confidence, and make lasting memories? Join our high school's drama club and be a part of something special. Whether you're a seasoned actor or techie - or new to the stage - we welcome students of all experience levels to come and be a part of our community.

We currently haven't secured our show selections, but the dates are as follows:

Opening Meeting - Friday, August 18, 2023

Fall Auditions -

Monday, August 28, 2023 & Tuesday, August 29, 2023

Oktoberfest @ FFS - Saturday, October 28, 2023

Fall Production - November 9-11, 2023

Winter Play Auditions -

November 28, 2023 & November 29, 2023

Winter Play - February 8-10, 2024

Musical Auditions - December 18-20, 2023

Spring Musical - April 25-27, 2024

Drama Banquet - May 14, 2024







MUSIC NEWS TO NOTE

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR FINAL CONCERTS OF THE YEAR! All concerts are held in the Fairfield High School Performing Arts Center at 7:00 pm and are free and open to the public.

5/7....... ARTS FAIR! 1:00-5:00 pm 5/10...... Spring Choral Concert 5/11..... Spring Orchestra Concert

5/16..... Freshman Jazz Band, Freshman Band & High

School Concert Winds

5/18...... Jazz Ensemble, Chamber Winds & Wind Ensemble

Congratulations to all of the graduating musicians in the class of 2023. We appreciate your dedication and thank you for sharing your talents with us. We wish you the best in all you do!

BAND

Congratulations to Freshman Band, Chamber Winds, Concert Winds and Wind Ensemble who all performed at OMEA District XIII Large Group Band Contest in March. Each one of these performing groups received a Superior Rating (the highest possible) from every judge.

Congratulations to our 42 Band Seniors! We are SO PROUD of you and WILL MISS YOU!



We invite you to join us for Summer Music Games in Cincinnati on July 5th at Dwire Field Atrium Stadium (Mason High School)

Please order tickets now at https://www.drumcorpsshow.com. You don't want to miss this incredible show!

CHOIR

The show choirs wrapped up a successful competition season in March at the Marysville Showcase. Pure Elegance was named the Grand Champion in the Unisex division and the Choraliers were named the Overall Grand Champion! The Choral Music Department had a great turn out for auditions for the 2023 -2024 school year and are looking forward to another great year! In addition to final concerts, the Choraliers are excited to be singing the National Anthem at the Reds game on May 9th in partnership with the Purple Monkey Project! Tickets are available for purchase so come out and support the Choraliers!

ORCHESTRA

Fairfield orchestra is ending the year with the sounds of Mary Poppins still ringing in our ears. Congratulations to the FAIRFIELD POPPINS PIT on a great and very memorable performance.

Orchestra Awards night is set for Friday, May 19 at 6:30 pm at the Fairfield freshman Auditorium. All students and parents can mark their calendars for ORCHESTRA BOOT CAMP – July 31-August 3(mon-thus). That week is always a great time of teambuilding and preparation for the coming season.



Super congrats to our 16 AMAZING orchestra seniors!
WE WILL MISS YOU!!





COME BE A PART OF THE FHS MARCHING BAND

Fairfield High School Color Guard Auditions are **May 9th through May 12th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** in the FFS Gym. See posters hung around FFS for more details.

FINISHING STRONG

We are rapidly approaching the end of the 2021-2022 school year. Right now, the focus of your student should be on a strong finish **and you can help**. Your attention and involvement in this effort will reinforce the importance you place on your child's education. **Please take the following steps to support your student during this critical time.**

- 1. Reinforce positive and successful school habits. Attention in class, homework, test preparation, and attendance are key factors.
- 2. Access and review your student's progress, attendance, and test schedules on Progress Book.
- 3. Help your student to create a plan to improve current weaknesses and prepare for final exams.
- **4. Be aware of tutoring and study assistance** classes available at the school and encourage your student to participate.
- 5. Re-establish your student's home-study routine.
- **6.** Help your student to stay focused. 'Coasting' is a natural, but deadly tendency.

Your involvement is a tremendous positive factor for a strong finish. Your interest, willingness, and dedication to helping your child succeed provides an unmistakable message. Your child will thank you for it - someday.



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