



Fruita 8/9

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Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to welcome students and families to a new year at Fruita 8/9 School! As summer comes to an end, the anticipation of the school year begins for students, families, and staff. In that anticipation, often times questions arise in regard to opportunities for students at Fruita 8/9.

Students have opportunities to get involved. We have multiple athletic activities that students can compete in throughout the year. In addition, we have several clubs that meet weekly or monthly from chess club to Sources of Strength club. Several organizations plan activities for students including dances, socials, games, and fundraisers. This happens throughout the school year.

In addition, we offer students the opportunity to increase rigor in their academic schedules. Students can advance in Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, and in elective courses. We offer Advanced Placement courses for students to excel in Social Studies and Science.

The staff at Fruita 8/9 has a commitment to working and communicate with parents as effectively and efficiently as possible. Students will have an advisory in which he or she will be working collaboratively with teachers in making improvements in proficiency as well as working in an advisory relationship in regard to things such as achievement, social emotional learning, study habits, and career development. Our teachers are supportive and work hard to meet student needs.

We are looking forward to having a great school year. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Jason Plantiko



WELCOME TO FRUITA 8/9

We have two new assistant principals joining us this year from within the school district. Ms. Davis has moved over from Rim Rock Elementary where she was the assistant principal. Before that, Ms. Davis served the school district as the Social Studies Curriculum Specialist for grades K-12. Ms. Davis taught elementary through high school and is dedicated to public education. She loves working with learners and families and is excited to get to know the 8/9 community.

When she isn't at school, Ms. Davis spends time outside, bicycling, hiking and camping. She loves movies, reading and spending time with her family, especially her twin boys, Parker and Riley. Parker is an Arabic Linguist in the Army and Riley is a senior percussion major at University of Northern Colorado. She is from the Western Slope and her boys were 4th generation Tigers. Nonetheless, she is embracing her Wildcat within.

Mr. Josh Warinner is one of our new Assistant Principals this year. Mr. Warinner has been in education for 17 years. He started out as an Elementary Physical Education Teacher here in District 51 and spent 12 years between Mesa View, Pomona, and Tope Elementary. He then moved to Cortez, CO where he was an Elementary Assistant Principal for one year and a Principal of a Montessori Charter School for 2 years. He then moved back to the area where he spent the last 2 years at Grand Junction High School as the Progress Monitor. He also coached Volleyball, Basketball and Track at West Middle School. Mr. Warinner has been married for 20 years to his wife, Teaa, who teaches Spanish at Central High School and is also the Cheer Coach at Grand Junction High School. He has three (3) daughters. Jilleeann is a freshman in college at Utah Valley University, Terrann is a Junior and plays Volleyball at GJHS and his youngest is Sailer, who is a Freshman at GJHS and is on the Cheer team. In his spare time, Mr. Warinner enjoys spending time with his family and traveling when he can. He enjoys attending his daughter's sporting events and supporting them in their extra-curricular activities. Mr. Warinner is most excited to get to know and work with the staff and students at Fruita 8/9 School. Go Wildcats!



IMPORTANT REMINDERS



August 6th ~ FMHS Fall Sports Begin

August 13th ~ Back To School Open House 5:00~6:00 p.m.
Fresh AP Honors Mtg 5:45 p.m. Cafeteria

April 15th ~ First Day Of School

August 20th ~ 8th Grade Volleyball Practice begins

August 24th ~ FMHS Blue & White Dance @ FMHS 9th~12th (7:30~10:30)

August 27th ~ No School For Students

August 30th ~ Student Picture Retakes

VISITOR PROCEDURES - PARENTS/GUARDIANS VISITATION

The Fruita 8/9 School has a large student body and realizes that there are times when parents/guardians may need to contact a student during the day on an informal or non-emergency basis. To maintain security within the school, we request that all parents/guardians report to the Main Office and show proper identification (this name must appear as a contact on the student's record) to request contact with their student. The student will then be summoned from his/her class. Visitors shall be required to check in at the Main Office and show proper identification and reason for being at the school and shall wear name tags identifying them as visitors (Board Policy ECA/ECAB)

LEAVING CAMPUS FOR LUNCH

To: Parents and Students:

As stated in our Student Handbook, it is required to send your student with a written note giving permission to leave campus for lunch, unless with Parent/Guardian/Emergency Contact. We ask that you provide **student's name, person picking up student, date and time**. Note needs to be turned into the office the morning of lunch outing due to high volume of office traffic during lunch waves. The person picking up student is **required** to come to the office and sign student in/out. Also note that when leaving for lunch, **only their lunch wave will be excused unless you are with a Parent/Legal guardian**. This is only for your student's safety and for our Secretary to keep track of attendance. Phone calls, emails, or faxes regarding permission to leave campus for lunch will not be accepted.

~Thanks For Your Support

ATHLETICS

All sport activity schedules and forms will be posted on F8/9 website under Athletics.

9th graders– Mandatory physical is needed to play any sports.

For all 9th grade athletic questions or concerns, visit FMHS website or contact FMHS Athletic office 254-6600.

8th graders– NO physical is needed

Athletic Director ~Elyza Willms : Contact # 254-6720

District 51 Transportation

STA– Student Transportation Of America

Contact # 970-697-1050

Bus Route- Visit F 8/9 Website or District 51 main website

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BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
August 13th 5-6pm

