



Educating All Children To Meet
Tomorrow's Challenges

School Board Report May 18, 2023

GOOD NEWS, RECOGNITIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



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FESTUS HIRES NEW GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH



The Festus R-VI School District has hired Jake Hogan to lead the Varsity Girls Basketball program. The Board of Education unanimously approved Hogan's hiring during the executive session of its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 18.

"We are excited to bring Jake on board as our varsity coach," said incoming Festus Athletic Director Jason Therrell. "He brings great energy and enthusiasm and we are happy to have him as a Festus Tiger."

Before coming to Festus, Hogan, 29, coached basketball, football and baseball at Bishop DuBourg (4 years, 1 year as head football coach), Lutheran South (2 years), St. Dominic (3 years), and football and basketball at Westminster Christian Academy for one year. Hogan is also a baseball coach for the St. Louis Recruits organization.

Hogan says he's proud to be coming to Festus to serve as the new Girls Basketball Head Coach. "Our program is going to have some fire to it, and it's going to be fun to watch. With what we have returning and what we will build, Festus Girls Basketball is going to compete with integrity, class, and discipline!"

Hogan will also be an assistant football coach for the Tigers.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVED

- [Regular Session Minutes from April Meeting](#)
- Approve Bills Payable for the Month
- Financial Reports & Statement
- [Ledger Subtotals](#)
- Cross Country Overnight Trip to Chili Pepper Festival
- Men's Wrestling Overnight Trip to Harrisonville, MO
- First Reading of Board Policy Updates: IGAB, IGC, IKE, IL, IND
- Intermediate and High School Library Weeded Materials.
- Tentative List of Graduates for the Class of 2023
- Early Childhood Parent Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- Early Childhood Staff Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- FES Student Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
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- FHS Staff Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- Athletic/Activity Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- Coaching Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- Transportation Department Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- Food Service Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- Maintenance/Custodial Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- Substitute Teacher Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- 1:1 Handbook for 2023-2024 School Year
- Facility Usage Procedures/Police for 2023-2024 School Year
- Dairy & Produce Bids for 2023-2024 School Year
- Breakfast and Lunch Meal Pricing for Students & Staff for the 2023-2024 School Year

COMMUNICATIONS AND/OR REPORTS

Health & Wellness Coordinator Update

Physical clinics for students - 64 students
Flu shots - 310 students and staff
Covid shots - 40 staff
Dental clinics- 139 students
Vision & Hearing screenings done for all K-6
Staff Physicals - 138
iPads purchased to connect with blood sugar readers for diabetic students
AED's at Stadium, Field, PAC
COVID - 190 positive entire school year
Additional Emergency bags - in each student attendance center
Nurse visits - 35,000 encounters with students
Working on school based health clinic right now. It will be housed in the house at 1601 Mid-Meadow Lane. Renovation of the property is underway now. A school-based health clinic will make it possible for more students to be seen at the clinics that are brought to campus every year.

Superintendent's Report

- Conducting exit interviews with the retirees. Dr. Ruess has gained insight from their experience.
- Last student day is May 25, Last teacher day is May 26
- Legislative update - Many education bills didn't make it to the end, including open enrollment, vouchers, parent bill of rights
- Proud of track teams. Many students participating in the sectional meet in Hillsboro on Saturday.
- Varsity baseball plays N. County in District semi-finals on Saturday - 4 academic all-state baseball players.
- Summer school starts June 1 - on track with normal enrollment numbers
- Kindergarten Promotion on Tuesday at 9:30 & 11 in the Performing Arts Center
- Graduation Tuesday, May 23 at 7pm at Tiger Stadium
- June board meeting - no need to change meeting date
- Enrollment - ADA is looking good for the year

PRIOR & NEW BUSINESS

Facilities Report

Fiber project begins in July - will help with expansion and growth
June 5 - end of June - elementary abatement
Renovations to those elementary rooms will be done beginning end of June/beginning of July - completion date 1st week of August
Middle School & High School pipe wrapping for asbestos abatement
July - Transportation Department work - will be connecting to city water & sewer.
New asphalt will follow at the Transportation Department.

Approval of Bank Bid

Went to bid for bank depository services
Received 3 bids - Southern Bank, Bloomsdale Bank, Midwest Regional
Approved 5-year contract with Midwest Regional

Barb Womack introduced as new Board secretary effective July 1



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