

FESTUS R-VI COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



Festus R-VI School District

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“Educating all children to meet tomorrow’s challenges”

Letter To Our Community –

Welcome to the Festus R-VI School District. The staff of the Festus R-VI School District is eager to welcome and work with all stakeholders as we fulfill our mission, *“Educating all children to meet tomorrow’s challenges.”*

It is my sincere hope the 2022-2023 school year will bring much excitement and success as Festus R-VI continues to strive to always be a ‘Great Place to Learn’. Our accomplished and talented staff of educators will always do ‘whatever it takes’ to ensure that a student is placed in the best possible position to maximize their potential and have opportunity for success. That mantra continues to be on display daily as the District continues to create a stimulating academic environment where every student can achieve beyond their potential. Festus R-VI strives to work collaboratively to provide a quality education to all of our students.

It takes a strong partnership between home and school for students to be successful. Research has shown that a genuine partnership between parents and school has a significant impact on student achievement. Please maintain open lines of communication with the District and remain actively involved in your child’s education.

I am honored to have the opportunity to serve students, staff, parents, and patrons as the next Festus R-VI Superintendent. The new school year will soon commence, if ever you have a question or thought, do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Best wishes for a truly positive and memorable school year. First student attendance day is set for Monday, August 22nd, 2022.

Dr. Nicki Ruess
Superintendent

FESTUS R-VI BEGINS THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL TERM ON MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2022

During the school year, classes, with the exception of each Wednesday, will start at the various attendance centers as follows and **students are requested to arrive no earlier than fifteen minutes prior to the start time:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday schedule:

Grades K-5	8:35 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Grade 6	7:45 a.m. – 2:35 p.m.
Grades 7-8	7:30 a.m. – 2:25 p.m.
Grades 9-12	7:40 a.m. – 2:37 p.m.

Wednesday late start schedule:

Grades K-5	9:35 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Grade 6	8:45 a.m. – 2:35 p.m.
Grades 7-8	8:35 a.m. – 2:25 p.m.
Grades 9-12	8:40 a.m. – 2:37 p.m.

Roy D. Burnside Administrative Building: Dr. Nicki Ruess, Superintendent; Mr. Jonathan Earnhart, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services and Human Resources; Dr. Lucas McKinnis, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning; Cindy Schraer, Accounts Payable; Ashley Schumacher, Payroll; Lynn Stanley, Central Office Secretary; Becky Uding, Human Resources

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ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

ATTENTION ATHLETES: IMPORTANT . NO COACHES WILL ACCEPT PHYSICALS OR ANY PAPERWORK FROM ATHLETES. **Athletic Packets** for grades 7-12 are available via the Parent Portal as an eForm. There will be a yellow highlighted bar indicating an eForm is available for completion. You are required to return a printed physical form completed by your child's doctor. All other pre-participation forms are available and should be completed online.

If your physical is still good (2 years from date of issue) you will still need to fill out the rest of the athletic packet (pages 2-9) to turn in for a gold card at the Athletic Director's office. Middle school students can bring their packets to the Athletic Director's office any weekday during regular school hours. **ALL** gold cards must be picked up in the Athletic Director's office before the first day of fall practices. The athlete will give their gold card to the coach on the first day of practice and will then be allowed to participate. Cards will be reissued one week prior to practice starting for winter and spring sports and you will get them from the Athletic Director's office. If you do not have access to the internet, you may pick up the packet in the main office of each building in the district.

High school practices will start on August 8th which is the first allowable practice day by MSHSAA for high school. Middle school practices (Cross Country, Football, Volleyball) will start on August 15th which is the first allowable practice day by MSHSAA for middle school. Watch the District website and festusathletics.com for specific times and locations of practices. Athletes will need to have their physical packets filled out and have a gold card obtained before they will be allowed to practice.

****Physicals are valid for 2 years (730 days) from the date of issue, per MSHSAA guidelines unless the doctor requires a yearly physical. If an athlete has an approved physical (call to check physical date 636-937-5946), the athlete will still have to fill out the remainder of the Athletic Packet EVERY YEAR.**

ATHLETIC PASSES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS



The Festus Board of Education will provide passes to the district's senior citizens, **65 years and older**, for all non-tournament, home athletic games. You may obtain a senior pass at the Roy D. Burnside Administrative Building, 1515 Mid-Meadow Lane from **8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**



BUS SCHEDULE

Before school begins, a schedule of bus routes will be posted on the R-VI website. If there is need for additional information relating to the Festus bus schedule, you may contact the Festus School District Transportation Office at 937-5716 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

EMERGENCY CANCELLATION

Weather conditions and other emergencies occasionally lead to the cancellation or an early release of school. We ask parents to listen to the following radio (KJFF 1400AM/KTJJ 98.5FM) and TV stations (KTVI Channel 2; KMOV Channel 4; KSDK Channel 5) for information when early release or cancellations may occur due to weather conditions. In addition, information is communicated via our automated phone system, school website and Facebook page, and twitter @FestusR6Supt.

SCHOOL MEALS THAT ROCK!

The U. S. Congress did not extend the waivers to allow all students to eat free for the 2022-23 school year. Therefore, all families will need to complete a Free & Reduced Meal Application. This year, the district will have an electronic version of that form. All parents will have access via Parent Portal. Once you login to the Parent Portal you will see a yellow highlighted bar indicating an eForm is available. Simply click on that link and complete the form. We strongly encourage parents to fill out the free and reduced applications. Parent Portal will also give families access to their child's food service account and the on-line payment option. Food Service questions should be directed to the Food Service Department at 636-937-7747 and questions related to completing the Free and Reduced eForm can be directed to Paula Cox at 636-933-9847.

The Festus R-VI Food Service Department is eager to introduce our new menu concepts that are sure to excite the kids and get them coming to the cafeteria. We are putting forth our best effort to provide healthy, nutritious meals that everyone will enjoy. Festus Food Service will continue to have a daily salad bar available for our Middle and High School students. New this year, is the addition of a salad bar at the Intermediate School! We also have an exciting new pizza company coming into the High School called Smart Mouth Pizza! These are personal pan pizzas made to order.

Breakfast will be available to all students on the first day of school. School menus can be viewed on the school website at www.festus.k12.mo.us. The lunch periods are closed at all schools. For safety reasons, no student is allowed off campus. Cafeterias will serve students who qualify under federal guidelines for free or reduced meals. Should a student decide to bring a lunch, milk may be purchased in the cafeteria for \$.35 per half-pint. Meal charging is limited. Charging of Ala Carte items is **not** permitted.

A school lunch tray always has age appropriate portions and includes a healthy balance from five-food groups (fruit, vegetable, grains, protein and milk). Let's work together to encourage children to fill their lunch tray following the MyPlate guidelines: Make half your plate fruits and vegetables; always choose whole grains; switch to fat-free or low-fat 1% milk.

Breakfast costs are as follows:

Grades K-6.....	\$1.35
Grades 7-12.....	\$1.40
Reduced Breakfast K-12.....	\$.020
Adult Breakfast	\$2.35

Lunch costs are as follows:

Grades K-6.....	\$2.70
Grades 7-12.....	\$2.75
Reduced Lunch K-12.....	\$.040
Adult Lunch.....	\$3.35

2022-2023 MISSOURI IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

*All students must present documentation of up-to-date immunization status, including month, day, and year of each immunization before attending school.

*The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) allows a 4-day grace period. Students in all grade levels may receive immunizations up to four days before the due date.

*Required immunizations should be administered according to the current Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices Schedule, including all spacing, (<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html>).

*To remain in school, students "in progress" must have an Immunization In Progress form (Imm.P.14) on file. In progress means that a child has begun the vaccine series and has an appointment for the next dose. This appointment must be kept and an updated record provided to the school. If the appointment is not kept, the child is no longer in progress and is noncompliant. (i.e., Hep B vaccine series was started but the child is not yet eligible to receive the next dose in the series.)

*Religious (Imm.P.11A) and Medical (Imm.P.12) exemptions are allowed. The appropriate exemption card must be on file. Unimmunized children are subject to exclusion from school when outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases occur.

Vaccines Required for School Attendance	Dose Required by Grade													
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
DTaP/DTP/DT ¹	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	
Tdap ²										1	1	1	1	1
MCV ³ (Meningococcal Conjugate)										1	1	1	1	2
IPV (Polio) ⁴	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	
MMR ⁵	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Hepatitis B ⁶	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	
Varicella ⁷	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	

1. Last dose on or after the fourth birthday and the last dose of pediatric pertussis before the seventh birthday. Maximum needed: six doses.

2. **8-12 Grades:** Tdap, which contains pertussis vaccine, is required.

3. **Grade 8-11:** One dose of MCV is required. Dose must be given after 10 years of age. **Grade 12:** Two doses of MCV are required unless the first dose was administered to a student who was 16 years of age or older, in which case only one dose is required. At least one dose must be given after 16 years of age.

4. **Kindergarten-12 Grade:** Last dose must be administered on or after the fourth birthday. The interval between the next-to-last and last dose should be at least six months.

5. First dose must be given on or after twelve months of age.

6. There must be at least four weeks between dose one and two; at least 8 weeks between dose two and three; at least 16 weeks between doses one and three and final dose must be given no earlier than 24 weeks of age.

7. First dose must be given on or after twelve months of age. **Kindergarten-12 Grade:** As satisfactory evidence of disease, a licensed health care provider may sign and place on file with the school a written statement documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease.

PARENTS AS TEACHERS (PAT) PROGRAM FOR PARENTS & KIDS (Birth-Age 3)

As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher. Your home is your child's first school, and they will learn more during the early years than at any other time in life. How your child grows and learns during these crucial early years will affect their later development and success in school. Parents As Teachers is a voluntary program, funded through the schools, that provide parents with the information and tools they need to become their child's best first teacher. It is free to all district families with prenatal to pre-kindergarten age children. The program offers developmental and health screenings by a certified Parent Educator and a Registered Nurse, personal home visits tailored to your schedule, information on what to look for and expect as your child grows and develops, and monthly group meetings.

Parents As Teachers has been found to be highly effective. An independent evaluation showed that children who were in PAT were significantly more advanced in language development than other children, had made greater strides in problem solving and other intellectual skills, and were further along in social development than their peers. To participate or ask questions, please call the Parents As Teachers Program at (636) 933-0792.

WEB PAGE (www.festus.k12.mo.us)

Our goal for the web page is to serve as a communication tool with students, parents, and community members. We are continuing to add features, links to Parent Portal, on-line payments, Twitter, Facebook, and an updated calendar of events.

The school web site will have a page for each individual building and is set up with updates and specific information that pertains to that building. The Festus web page will continue to be the primary source for up to the minute district and/or building level information.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (Grades K-3)

1500 Mid-Meadow Lane

PH: 937-4063 Fax: 937-7870

Dr. Darin Siefert, Principal; Saundra Benack, Assistant Principal
Angie Eisenbeis, Counselor; Tricia Nahlik, Counselor; Kami Johnson, Counselor
Olivia Pearce, Health Room 937-5917

OPEN HOUSE Tuesday, August 16th 5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
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To enroll in Kindergarten, a student must be five (5) years of age prior to August 1, 2022. ALL NEW students (K-12) enrolling for the 2022-2023 school year must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who can present the birth certificate, immunization records, and proof of residence (i.e., current utility bill, rent receipt, etc.).

This year, all families will be required to provide proof of residency. You will have the option to upload a current utility bill within the online registration form, or, you can email a photocopy of your utility bill to Paula Cox at coxpaula@festusedu.com. If we do not receive a current proof of residency, you will be contacted by a district representative.

The following enrollment dates have been scheduled for NEW students to the District:



Monday, August 8	8:00 a.m. -- 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 9	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 10	8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Rosters will be posted on August 12th @ 4:00 p.m.

All students must have completed online registration before the first day of school on August 22nd. Parents can access online registration using Parent Portal beginning July 18. The district must have a valid email address on record to participate. Online registration is a resource that can be used for all students K-12.

OPEN HOUSE Wednesday, August 17th 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.
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INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL (Grades 4-6)

1501 Mid-Meadow Lane

PH: 937-4750 Fax: 937-6106

Spencer Kearns, Principal; Dr. Deana Brown, Assistant Principal
Shannon Helms, Counselor; Steve Williams, Counselor
Tiffany Yates, Health Room 937-4799

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MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 7-8)

1717 West Main Street
 PH: 937-5417 Fax: 937-4171
 Jacob Munoz, Principal; Matt Boyer, Assistant Principal
 Wendy Mickley, Counselor; Joe Fehlker, Counselor
 Angie Earnhart, Psych Examiner
 Jessy Beard, Health Room 937-5417

OPEN HOUSE
Wednesday, August 17th
5:00 – 7:30 p.m.

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OPEN HOUSE
Tuesday, August 16
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
A+ Meeting 7:30 p.m.



HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)

501 Westwind Drive
 PH: 937-5410 Fax: 937-8048
 Dr. Karl Shininger, Principal (option 8)
 Joel Roth, Assistant Principal 937-3896 (option 1 or 2)
 Eric Allen, Assistant Principal/Activities Director 937-5946
 Amanda Esparza, Counselor; Jennifer Kline, Counselor; Angie Macy, Counselor 937-5944
 Maggie Ellis, Health Room 937-5410 (option 5)

All NEW students (Grades 9-12) enrolling for the 2022-2023 school year can begin the enrollment process by starting online enrollment (found on the district website beginning July 18) or by coming to New Student Enrollment in person in the High School Student Services Center during the times listed below. New students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who can present the birth certificate, immunization records, and proof of residence (i.e., current utility bill, rent receipt, etc.). After students are enrolled and records are received from a student's previous school district, counselors will review the information and set up the new student's class schedule.

This year, all families will be required to provide proof of residency. You will have the option to upload a current utility bill within the online registration form, or, you can email a photocopy of your utility bill to Paula Cox at coxpaula@festusedu.com. If we do not receive a current proof of residency, you will be contacted by a district representative.

ALL students must have completed online registration before the first day of school on August 22nd. Parents can access online registration using Parent Portal beginning July 18. The district must have a valid email address on record to participate in online registration. If parents need assistance with online registration, please contact Mrs. Lassing at 636-937-5410 (option 8).

The following enrollment dates have been scheduled for NEW students to the District:

PARKING PERMITS
 Student parking permits may be purchased for \$25 for students in grades 10-12. License plate number, insurance card, and driver's license are required for purchase of parking permit. More information will be sent out from Mr. Roth.

Monday, August 8	8:00 a.m. -- 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 9	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 10	8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Student pictures will be taken during the first quarter of school. More information will be sent out at a later date.

Freshman Kick-Off
 Wednesday, August 17.....10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
 Transportation will not be provided.
 More information will be sent out at a later date.



FESTUS R-VI SCHOOL DISTRICT 2022-2023 RECOMMENDED SUPPLY LIST



ELEMENTARY (Grades K-3)

KINDERGARTEN: 4 plastic folders with prongs (1 red, 1 blue, 1 green, 1 yellow); 1 5x8 plastic school box; backpack large enough for folder (***no wheels***); 1 pair of scissors; 1 pair of headphones (no earbuds) Please take headphones out of the package and place them in a zip storage bag with your child's name on it; 1 complete change of clothes in a large zip storage bag labeled with your child's name on it. **Donations of the following are appreciated but not required: Treasure Box Items (small toys or candy)**

GRADE 1: 1 5x8 plastic pencil box; scissors; 2 pkgs. (24 ct.) yellow sharpened #2 pencils; 1 spiral wide-ruled notebook; 2 two-pocket folders (1 yellow, 1 blue); 1 pair of headphones; 1 1" flexible binder; 2 pkgs. erasers (not pencil tops).

GRADE 2: 2 boxes of sharpened yellow 24 count #2 pencils; 1 pencil box; 2 pocket folders; 1 pair of scissors; art shirt (old adult t-shirt would work); 2 single subject spiral notebooks (wide-ruled 70 sheets); 1 pair of headphones; 1 highlighter; 2 glue sticks.

GRADE 3: NO TRAPPER KEEPERS PLEASE. 1 pkg. #2 pencils 24 ct.; 1 pencil box; 2 wide-ruled spiral notebooks; 1 pair of scissors; 2 composition notebooks; 4 folders; headphones (can be purchased at school for \$5, no earbuds); 1 pkg. pencil cap erasers; 1 pk. blue pens-boys; 1 pk. red pens-girls; tissues

INTERMEDIATE (Grades 4-6)

**Assignment Books will be furnished by the Intermediate School for Grades 4, 5, & 6.
NO BINDERS/TRAPPER KEEPERS PLEASE for Grades 4 & 5 due to lack of space in desks.**

Individual teachers may request additional items.

Supplies may need to be replenished throughout the school year.

GRADE 4: 2 Large pencil pouches; cap erasers; scissors; 6 folders; markers; colored pencils or crayons; highlighters; 3 boxes of sharpened pencils; pack of red grading pens; 4 glue sticks; 1 spiral notebook; headphones; 2 dry erase markers; handheld pencil sharpener

GRADE 5: Yellow highlighter; 1 bottle of glue or glue sticks; scissors; 2 boxes of #2 pencils; colored pencils; zipper pencil pouch; 2 pks. loose leaf paper wide-ruled; 1 spiral notebook; 3 2-pocket folders with brads; washable markers or crayons; 1 pk. red pens; clean sock/rag for dry erase; 1 composition notebook; headphones/earbuds; handheld pencil sharpener

GRADE 6: Zipper Binder/Trapper Keeper; pencil pouch (for binder); 1 pk. red pens; 1 pk. blue pens; colored pencils 12 pk.; markers 8 pk.; 1 pk. highlighters; #2 pencils; 1 pk. loose leaf paper; 4 pairs of headphones/earbuds

MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 7-8)

Optional Supplies:

**Mouse for use with Chromebook
Calculator**

GRADE 7: 1 pkg. pencils; 1 pkg. of lined paper; 1 pkg. red pens; 3 folders with pockets; earbuds for use with Chromebook; organizing system for all classes (trapper keeper, accordion file, etc.); notebook (band students only)

GRADE 8: 1 pkg. pencils; 1 pkg. highlighters; 1 pkg. lined paper; 1 pkg. graph paper; 1 pkg. of red pens; 3 folders with pockets; 1 1.5" 3-ring binder for science; earbuds for use with Chromebook; organizing system for all classes (trapper keeper, accordion file, etc.); notebook (band students only)

FESTUS R-VI 2022/2023 DISTRICT CALENDAR

'Educating all children to meet tomorrow's challenges'



July 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						
Total Student Days						8

January 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				
Total Student Days						19

August 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			
Total Student Days						8

February 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				
Total Student Days						18

September 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Total Student Days						21

March 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Total Student Days						19

October 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					
Total Student Days						20

April 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						
Total Student Days						18

November 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			
Total Student Days						18

May 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			
Total Student Days						15

December 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Total Student Days						15

June 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Activities Dead Week	July 4-8
Athletics Dead Week	August 1-5
New Teacher Orientation	August 8-10
Teacher Work Days	August 16-18
FIRST SEMESTER: August 22 - December 22, 2022 (82 days)	
First Quarter: August 22 – October 14 (38 days)	
First Day of School	August 22
No School – Labor Day	September 5
No School—Teacher PD Day	October 10
End of 1 st Quarter	October 14
Second Quarter: October 17 – December 21 (44 days)	
No School/Teacher PD Day	November 8
No School – Thanksgiving Break	November 23-25
End of 2 nd Qtr./1 st Semester -- Early Release	December 21
No School/Winter Break	December 22-31
SECOND SEMESTER: January 4 – May 19, 2023 (89 days)	
Third Quarter: January 4 – March 8 (43 days)	
No School/Winter Break	January 2
No School/Teacher Flex Day	January 3
Students Resume	January 4
No School/MLK Day	January 16
No School/Teacher PD Day	February 17
No School/Presidents' Day	February 20
End of 3 rd Quarter	March 8
Fourth Quarter: March 15-May 19 (46 days)	
No School	March 9 - 14
No School	April 7 & 10
End of 4 th Qtr./2 nd Semester – Early Release	May 19
Teacher Work Days	May 22
Teacher Work Day (only if flex hours are needed)	May 23
Memorial Day	May 29

Calendar Legend		For updates on closures, please use the following sources:
	Activities/Athletics Dead Week	
	First Day of School	
	No School	
	Teacher PD Day	
	End of Quarter	
	Last Day of School	
	Teacher Work Day	
	Only if flex hours are needed	
	New Teacher Orientation	
	Student Attendance Days	

Early Release or Inclement Weather Dismissal Times

Elementary (Grades K-3)	1:10 p.m.
Intermediate (Grades 4-5)	1:10 p.m.
Intermediate (Grade 6)	12:10 p.m.
Middle School (Grades 7-8)	12:00 p.m.
Senior High (Grades 9-12)	12:10 p.m.

NOTES:

The first four days missed due to inclement weather will be traditional snow days and made up at the end of the school year. However, the final attendance day will be no later than Thursday, May 25.

Each Wednesday will have a 1 hour delayed start time due to Professional Learning Communities.

Final Examinations are held the last three attendance days of each semester at the high school.

**FESTUS R-VI SCHOOL DISTRICT
MISSION STATEMENT
“Educating all children to meet tomorrow’s challenges.”**

Vision for R-VI in 2026 (CSIP)

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

1. **Academic Excellence:** Develop, enhance and implement quality educational and instructional programs to improve achievement and enable students to meet their personal, academic and career goals. (MSIP6.AS1 and AS2)

Objective A: Students will be at 90% proficiency or above in all core subject areas and in all grade levels as measured by district assessments and the MAP Performance Index (MPI) scores on state assessments.

Objective B: Research, develop and implement an early childhood program on campus. (MSIP6.TL.2)

Objective C: Implement effective academic and social-emotional processes to ensure all students are on-track for success at each grade-level and upon graduation as measured by the MSIP6 Success Ready Student metrics. (MSIP6.TL1)

Objective D: Implement effective college and career readiness programs for all students as measured by the state MSIP6 Success Ready Student metrics. (MSIP6.TL3)

Objective E: Maintain a 4-year overall graduation rate of at least 95% by making annual increases in each subgroup. (MSIP6.EA2)

HIGH QUALITY STAFF

2. **High Quality Staff:** Retain, develop, and recruit highly qualified staff to carry out the district mission, goals, and objectives. (MSIP6.TL5)

Objective A: Retain and recruit highly qualified and effective certified and classified staff. (MSIP6.TL5)

Objective B: Ensure highly qualified and effective teachers and administrators through ongoing professional development aligned with the CSIP. (MSIP6.TL8)

Objective C: Continue to utilize a performance-based evaluation system for both certified and classified staff (MSIP6.TL5.B)

STAKEHOLDER SUPPORTS AND DISTRICT OPERATIONS

3. **Stakeholder Supports and District Operations:** Provide effective support services and district operations and resources for all stakeholders. (MSIP6.L.4)

Objective A: Provide a secure and caring learning environment for students and staff through district programs and community agencies. (MSIP6.CC1)

Objective B: Support excellence in teaching, learning and assessment through effective uses of technology. (MSIP6.TL9)

Objective C: Provide safe and well-maintained facilities to support all educational programs of the district. (MSIP6.L10)

PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

4. **Parent and Community Engagement:** Promote, facilitate, and enhance parent, student, and community involvement in the LEA/District education programs. (MSIP6. CC3 and CC4)

Objective A: Increase engagement with community, civic, and business organizations. (MSIP6.CC3)

Objective B: Increase the engagement of stakeholders to create effective partnerships that support the development and achievement of students. (MSIP6.CC4)

GOVERNANCE

5. **Governance:** Govern the district in an efficient and effective manner providing leadership and representation to benefit the students, staff, and patrons of the district. (MSIP6.L2)

Objective A: The district allocates and manages the resources needed to support district operations, student success and CSIP Priorities (MSIP6.L4)

Objective B: The board monitors and reviews the implementation and outcomes of the Continuous Improvement Plan (CSIP) that focuses on district improvement and performance. (MSIP6L3)

Objective C: The Board of Education shall evaluate the Superintendent utilizing recommended guidelines from the Missouri State Educator Evaluation Model. (MSIP6.L6)

Objective D: The governance team engages in on-going professional learning and self-evaluation in order to strengthen governance practices. (MSIP6.L1.)

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The Festus R-VI Board of Education meets the third Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m., at the Roy D. Burnside Administrative Building (*located behind the Intermediate School*), at 1515 Mid-Meadow Lane. Regular session is generally open to the public. Meetings will also be streamed live via the R-VI District Facebook Page.