First Day of School

- The first day of school for students is **Monday, August 25**.
- School hours: **7:30 am-2:12 pm**.
    - Doors open at 7:00 am
    - Breakfast is open at 7:05 am
    - 1st hour begins at 7:30 am

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures:

Arrival

- Students can be dropped off in the **circle drive** off Gladiator Way, entering **door 11**
  Or in the **south lot** off Gladiator Way, entering **door 14**

- Please say your goodbyes in the parking lot. We have a lot of additional staff present who will help guide students on the first day.

- Students arriving by bus will be guided into the building from the bus parking lot

Dismissal

- Students may be picked up at the **circle drive** *or* **the south parking lot,**
  please be mindful and watch for students who are walking home during this time.

- Extra staff and security will be present to assist students and families.

- Maintenance and custodial staff will be wearing Fowlerville gear and
  available to assist.

Open House; Self-Guided Tours

Building **Open Houses** will be held on **Wednesday, September 3 from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm**. More information will be coming.

To help students feel comfortable, **self-guided tours** are planned for **Sunday, August 24, 2025**. Tours at Kreeger, the J**unior High School**, and the High School are **pending the outcome of final inspections** on Friday, August 22 beginning at 3 pm. Fowlerville Elementary School will be open from **2 pm to 4 pm** on Sunday regardless, as it did not undergo construction this summer. The district will send an update after Friday's inspections are complete confirming the status of self-guided tours.

Construction & Facilities Update

The new HVAC systems at Kreeger, the Junior High School, and High School will take a few days to stabilize. Some areas may feel cooler or warmer than others during this process.

At the Junior High and High School: students traveling between buildings will use the sidewalk and enter through the cafeteria/auxiliary gym doors due to construction behind the high school.

Once occupancy is granted late Friday, all areas of the building will be safe and ready for students, with final tweaks continuing over the next few weeks.

Safety & Security

Police officers and school security staff will be present on the first day to assist with traffic and support safe arrival/dismissal.

Please be patient with bus schedules and parent pick-up/drop-off lines during the first week as everyone adjusts.

M**eals & Cafeteria**

Breakfast and lunch will be available daily. They will be free to every student through September. We will not know if that will extend through the rest of the school year until we hear from the state.

Families who may qualify for free/reduced meals are encouraged to complete the online application: Free and Reduced Meal Application This will ensure that there is no lapse in assistance if the state decides to not extend this provision.

Students with IEP's:

Our special education team is prepped and ready for a great first day. As a reminder, students with an IEP participated in transition visits last spring. Most, if not all students, toured the building and met with special education staff to make this transition easier. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to your student's case manager or to myself for support.

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Communication

- Please look for additional updates from our school and the district throughout the coming weeks

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- For safety reasons, please do not post interior building maps online. Hard copies will be available at the school if you would like one.

We look forward to a great school year together. Thank you for your support, partnership, and flexibility as we begin the 2025–26 school year.

Sincerely,
Dana Coon
Principal, Fowlerville Junior High