

July 28, 2023

Eisenhower Junior High School Families:

It's time to start planning and preparing for the 2023-2024 school year. I am excited to get things up and running and have students back at school. I hope everyone's summer has been restful and that everyone is energized and ready to jump back into school. There is a lot going on as we head into the school year, so I'm going to try to break it down into steps and pieces to make the process of coming back as easy as possible.

Focus:

As you may have heard, the district is getting a new Information System called Focus. This summer is when we are transitioning from Discovery to Focus and that is going to impact our registration process. The program is new to all of you, but it's also new to us and the secretaries, so please be patient as they work with you through the registration process and try to answer questions and help.

Registration Information:

Registration is online for students who are returning to Eisenhower Junior High School through the Granite Schools Community App (available from both Google Play and Apple App stores) or through the website: <http://focus.graniteschools.org>.

Here is a link with step by step instructions for how to use the new Focus system and language choices that will help you register your students for the 2023-2024 school year: <http://tinyurl.com/5hcmxceb>

To complete registration, you will need to have a Parent Portal created. If you have created a portal in the past, it will automatically transfer to Focus, and your login and password will be the same.

If you don't have a Parent Portal, you can find a link to the portal and instructions for creating a portal on the school website.

Fee waivers must be applied for online in your Parent Portal this year. You will no longer need to bring in the form and documentation and meet face to face with an administrator. The form will be filled out online and you will upload your documentation online with the form so an administrator can review and approve it from there. Remember that EACH STUDENT needs a Fee Waiver Application turned in.

Free and reduced lunch applications will continue to be done online at myschoolapps.com. The lunch program can be one application for the entire family.

6th Grade Orientation:

6th Grade Orientation will be held on Friday, August 11th from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. Students and parents will meet in the auditorium for a quick orientation meeting and then be given a chance to walk the school to find their classes, library, lunchroom, and counseling center. Orientation is not mandatory but does give your student a chance to see the school and become comfortable with the change to junior high school. We will print 6th grade student schedules to be given out at orientation. We hope to see you there!

The first day of school for all students will be Wednesday, August 16th. The first bell rings at 7:40 AM and students are dismissed at 2:45 PM each weekday. Friday dismissal is 12:30 PM.

Picture Day:

Lifetouch Photography will be doing pictures again this year on September 6th. We will call students down from their English classes to get their pictures taken. It's important that all students have their picture taken so they can get a student ID. This is also the picture that will be used in the yearbook.

School Fees:

All student fees will be paid through the new Parent Portal in Focus. All students are charged the \$40 basic enrollment fee. Class fees will not be charged until a couple of weeks into the school year so that we can get student class schedules fixed and settled.

This is a special year at EJH as we are turning 50 years old. We are planning a celebration later in the year to recognize all the history and amazing students and teachers that have made this place home over the years.

We are so excited to get to work with your students this year! We will send out information about all the ways your student can get involved at Eisenhower in the coming days. Go Generals!

Sincerely,

Eisenhower Junior High School Administration

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