



FLOYD COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

"Home of the Buffaloes"



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September 29, 2011

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

I would like to congratulate students, parents, and teachers on a great start to the 2011-2012 school year! We are now a little over six weeks into the semester, and are looking forward to continuing on a positive path. Thank you for your involvement in your child's education. I believe this is a key component to our school-wide success.

There are a few items I would like to highlight for the month of October.

- We are having the Writing SOL tests October 18th and 19th. This testing will be for the students enrolled English 8 and English 11 this semester only.
- Report cards are being sent home with students on Friday, September 30th. If you have questions or concerns about a grade, please contact your child's teacher to schedule a conference.
- You are also reminded that you may access student information on-line through the Parent Portal. You may request a Parent Portal Access form from the main office or online at www.floyd.k12.va.us.

As always, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Deibler".

G. Tony Deibler
Principal

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Guidance Corner

Please check web for Scholarships Available or come by Guidance Department
[Guidance Corner](#) WEBSITE

* SAT TEST DATES FOR 2011-2012*

TEST DATES	DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION
November 5	October 7
December 3	November 8
January 28	December 30
March 10	February 10
May 5	April 6
June 2	May 8

* ACT TEST DATES FOR 2011-2012 *

TEST DATES	DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION
October 22	September 16
December 10	November 4
February 11	January 13
April 14	March 9
June 9	May 4

ON-SITE COLLEGE APPLICATION REVIEW DATES FOR FALL 2011

Radford University, Thursday, November 7, 2011



Radford University will be here Monday, November 7, to review applications. To expedite the process, RU will preview the applications prior to coming to FCHS.

Submit your application and application fee online by Monday, October 24. Also, don't forget to let Mrs. Turpin know that you would like your transcript sent to RU.

Virginia Tech, November 15, 2011



Virginia Tech will be here Tuesday, November 15, to review applications. Submit your application and application fee online by Tuesday, November 8. Also, don't forget to let Mrs. Turpin know that you would like your transcript to be sent to VT.

COUNSELOR SESSIONS

School counselors are meeting with all students throughout the year and are assigned as follows:

Carolyn Quinn

8th Grade

9th Grade

10th Grade with last names A-M

Kathy Klatka

10th Grade last names N-Z

11th Grade

12th Grade

If parents would like to contact a school counselor, please free to do so by calling the guidance department at 540-745-9456.

TUTORING

English tutoring

When: Monday & Wednesday

Where: Room 311 3:30 – 4:45 pm

Teacher: Ms. Landis

Math tutoring

When: Tuesday & Thursday

Where: Room 103 from 3:30 – 4:45 pm

Teacher: Mrs. Daria Neal

NEW CAREER COACH

Dean Rowe joins the FCHS staff from New River Community College.

Writing SOLs

English 8 & 11 courses this semester will take the Writing SOL on

October 18, 2011 – Multiple Choice

October 19, 2011 – Writing Direct

Yearbook Ordering

Yearbooks will be sold **ONLY** at school on October 13-14, 17, 2011.

Order forms will go home with students the week prior to sales. Extra forms will be available in the office and online for download. Cost of a plain book is \$55.00. Students may pre-purchase yearbooks during all lunches on these days.

We can accept checks or cash: **NO CREDIT CARDS**. Checks should be made payable to FCHS.

Senior Ads

Early Bird Deadline: October 12

Final Deadline: November 1

Order forms were sent out with seniors in the last homeroom. Extras are available outside the office.

If you have questions, please contact Emily Williams at x5671 or at williamsem@floyd.k12.va.us



FBLA members—important information pertaining to our Virginia Western Community College Regional Fall Conference on October 28, will be posted on the web under clubs. Please see the [FBLA](#) site for more updates and information about our club events throughout the year! Next club meeting is November 23, 2011.

Diversity Club

“Encourage, Educate, Accept”

The Diversity Club meets twice a month, on Wednesdays, from 3:30-5:00, in Room 437, Ms. Jackson’s room. Ms. Jackson and Ms. Malick are the advisors.

No annual dues are required, and FCHS students are always welcome to come to any meeting they choose. The meeting topics are posted on the school announcement board and the meetings address various themes.

Upcoming meeting topics are:

- October 5-Emmanuel Jal (child soldier from Sudan who has become an international peace activist)
- October 19-Stereotypes
- November 2-Poverty
- November 16-Local and Global

The Diversity Club also hopes to help sponsor a presentation/concert by Emmanuel Jal on November 4.



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Floyd County High School will be wearing pink during athletic events throughout the month. Students, faculty, and staff will be wearing pink on “Pink Fridays” during the month. Volleyball will “Dig for Pink” on October 11, and the 2011 Breast Cancer Awareness Varsity Football Game will be Friday, October 14.

Join us in wearing pink during the month of October in support of Breast Cancer Awareness. We also will be selling our newly designed t-shirts throughout the month.



, “Whoever said winning isn’t everything...

...**OBVIOUSLY** wasn’t fighting breast cancer”



Programs for the Gifted recommend

Book

The Gifted Kids Survival Guide Age 10 and Under by Judy Galbraith
Available through the Parent/Teacher Resource Center 745-9488

Now newly revised & updated, this book has helped countless young gifted children realize they're not alone, they're not "weird," & being smart, talented, & creative is a bonus, not a burden. It answers their questions about why they think & learn the way they do, what "giftedness" & IQ really mean, how to handle high expectations (their own & everyone else's), how to make friends, how to steer clear of perfectionism, how to make school more challenging, how to cope with teasing, & much more.

Programs for the Gifted recommends:

Website and Game: both develop logical thinking skills

Traffic Jam- move cars around to unblock your path
http://www.itsnotbadatall.com/games_content/puzzle/traffic-jam.html

ThinkFun Rush Hour - It's gridlock and the little red car can't move. The player is a traffic cop in the Rush Hour Traffic Jam Puzzle where the objective is to get the red car off the road. For check-out contact: Programs for the Gifted 745-9400.



The Parent/Teacher Resource Center will be hosting the following workshops for parents and teachers. No reservations are necessary and quiet activities (coloring, crosswords, etc) will be provided if you need to bring your children.

Thu Oct 26 4-5 pm – ADD/ADHD Workshop @ WES Library

Thu Nov 17 4-5 pm – Handwriting Without Tears® Workshop @ CES Library

The PTRC has a Lending Library available to parents and teachers, and our weekly office hours are Tue 9-12, Wed 12-2, and Thu 9-12 with other times available by appointment. Please call 745-9488 or email PTRC@floyd.k12.va.us for more information!

I look forward to serving you this year!

[Jennifer Sharp Woods](#)

PTRC Coordinator

Notes from the Principal

- **Report Cards sent home by students on September 30th**
- **Class Ring Delivery for Juniors on October 6th @ 2:30 p.m.**
- **Underclass Make-Up Pictures/Club Pictures on October 10th**
- **Senior Graduation Information Mtg. on October 17th @ 9 a.m.**
- **SOL Writing October 18th and 19th for grades 8 & 11**
- **Senior Graduation Orders during lunches on Oct. 26th & 27th**
- **End of 2nd Six Weeks on November 7th**
- **No School for Students on November 8th**