

July 2022

Dear Middle School Students and Parents,

Welcome to First Baptist Academy's 2022-2023 school year! It's hard to believe that we're already halfway through the summer break and only have six weeks until the start of school. I pray you are enjoying this time and are looking forward to what promises to be a very exciting school year. As we approach the first day of school, I wanted to share some important dates for events you may want to highlight on your calendar.

These events will take place in the first week of school and they are specifically designed to help us partner with you as we kick off this new school year. Our goal is to build strong relationships between the academy, our staff and your family. The following is a list of important dates:

Monday, August 15th, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., FBA Night (Mandatory):

Sixth through eighth grade parents and students will have the opportunity to meet the teacher(s) and bring supplies to the classroom/student locker. (Student attendance will be taken and counted as the first day of school). There will be areas set up for parents to sign their student up for Extended Learning Session (ELS) if needed, visit the School Nurse, Yearbook orders, Parent Auxiliary activities and the sale of spirit items, etc.

- > 3:00 p.m. New Families Meeting: This is a mandatory meeting for first-year families to FBA and families with students who are new to the Sixth Grade. This meeting will be held in the sanctuary. Following the meeting you may meet the teachers in their classrooms unless your child plans on participating in sports. In that case you'll remain in the sanctuary for the athletic meeting with Coach Graves. Afterward, you will transition to meet with the teacher(s).
- ➤ **4:00 p.m.** Athletic Meeting: All potential 6th-8th grade athletes and parents should attend this meeting in the sanctuary. Returning families who do not have to be in the 3 p.m. meeting may meet the teacher(s) before this athletic meeting.
- > 3:00-6:00 p.m. FBA NIGHT: Returning families have the flexibility to meet with the teacher(s) in their rooms at any time between these hours.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL:

Middle School drop off starts at 7:50 a.m. and school begins at 8:10 a.m. We apologize, but due to the congestion and our small campus, parents may not accompany their student to class. Middle School students must be dropped off in the carpool line unless they have been transported by an older sibling student with a valid driver's license and signed Travel Authorization Form. Those students will park in front of the Recreation Center and will use crosswalks to access the school sidewalks.

Friday, August 19th, Back to School Bash:

- > 4:30-7:30 p.m.
- > Fellowship
- > Food/Drink Concessions
- ▶ Games

Finally, I would like to extend a special welcome to our new middle school students and new 6th graders as they become part of the middle school. I would encourage all students and parents to take some time to review the current 2022-2023 Parent/Student Handbook online. We have made several updates over the summer including insertion of the newest dress code standards. It is also important to review the attendance, homework and behavioral policies and expectations for the Academy.

I am anticipating the wonderful way God will bless us in the 2022-2023 school year and I am looking forward to seeing you all. Please feel free to contact me through the school office if you have any questions. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

In His Service,

William Dambacher

Principal First Baptist Academy





"Educating Students for Time and Eternity"

July 2022

Dear ELS Parents,

It is my pleasure to welcome your family to our Extended Learning Session (ELS) Program here at First Baptist Academy. ELS is our before and after school childcare program at FBA. We will begin our program on August 16, 2022. Please refer to your 2022-2023 school calendar for specific ELS holidays.

The ELS leadership team consists of myself, and the Assistant Directors. My Director hours are from 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. If I am not available, one of the Assistant Directors are always happy to help.

Please read your FBA Parent/Student handbook before the first day of school. Our handbook is posted on our school website, www.fbauc.org. If after reading this handbook you have any questions, I will be happy to answer them.

We have a security system installed in our glass doors in the ELS drop-off area. These doors will be locked at all times and can ONLY be opened from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. with the security code. <u>Be</u> sure to stop by the ELS table on FBA Night (Monday, August 15) to get the code as well as your ID cards to check your child in and out.

<u>Preschool:</u> After 8:15 a.m. you will not be able to enter through these doors. YOU WILL NEED TO GET IN THE CARPOOL LINE TO DROP OF YOUR PRESCHOOL STUDENT.

Elementary & Upper School: After 7:50 a.m. your K5 THRU 7TH GRADE STUDENT MUST BE DROPPED OFF IN THE CARPOOL LINE. If you have any questions, please call me at (210) 658-5331 and ask for ELS.

We look forward to an amazing year with our ELS students and their families.

In His Service,

Debra Winkelmann

Director of Preschool & ELS

Email - dwinkelmann@fbauc.com

[&]quot;I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." 3 John 1:4

FIRST BAPTIST ACADEMY

2022-2023 School Calendar

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(See July Welcome Packet for Details) 15- New Parent Orientation, 3pm

PREK-12th FBA Night, 3-6pm

- 16 Full day of school/ELS open
- 19 Back to School Bash
- 25 PREK-5th Grade Parent Night 630-730pm

September 2022			FBA Closed ELS Closed			
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5- Labor Day - No School/ELS closed

December 2022

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Sanctuary

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14-16- High School Exams

*End of Quarter

3 - High School Christmas Banquet

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6- Christmas Eagle Choir Concert, 6:30pm Peace

12- Christmas Eagle Band Concert, 6:30pm

19- Dec. 19- Jan 3, Christmas holiday

16- Noon dismissal K5-12th grades / ELS Open

8- Picture Day, All Students (Makeups Sep. 22) 23- Teacher Workday- No school/ELS open

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10- Columbus Day No School/ELS closed

11-14- Fall Book Fair

14- Noon Dismissal Teacher Workday- ELS OPEN *End of Quarter

21- K3-12th Parent/Teacher Conf. 4th-12th grade students required to attend-No classes /ELS open 31- Fall Family Festival

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- New Years holiday
- Teacher Workday, No School/ELS Open
- 4- Students return
- 6- Report cards sent home
- 16- MLK holiday No School/ELS closed

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- 11- Veterans Day No School/ELS closed 15- 3rd-5th grade Musical, 6:30pm Sanctuary
- 18 Noon Dismissal
- 21-25- Thanksgiving holiday No School ELS Closed 23-25

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- 10- Teacher Workday- No school/ELS open
- *Possible Weather Makeup Day 16- Class Pictures (Pre-K3- 5th grade)
- 20- Presidents' Day No school/ELS closed

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6-10- Spring Book Fair

7- PREK3-2nd grade musical, 6:30pm Sanctuary

10- Noon Dismissal - Teacher Workday -ELS Open *End of Quarter

13-17- Spring Break - No School/ELS Open

24- K3-12th Parent/Teacher Conf. 4th-12th grade students required to attend-No classes /ELS open

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June 5- First Day of SOS

Summer Office Hours

8:30am-3:00pm M-Th.

8:30am-12:30pm Fri.

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- 1- Spring Eagle Band Concert, 6:30pm Sanctuary
- 2- Spring Choir Concert, 6:30pm Peace
- 5- High School Awards
- 9-11- 12th grade Exams and Dual Credit
- 12- Noon Dismissal, Teacher Workday/ELS Open
- 18- 3 year olds & K4 Field Day
- 19- Noon dismissal/ELS Open 19- High School Graduation, 6pm
- 22- K5-5th Field Day
- 22-24- 9th-11th grade exams
- 23- K3-K4 Last Day of School
- **23** 6th-8th grade Áwards 2:00 pm
- 24- Last day of School for K5 -11th grade **Dismissal After Programs**

9:00 am, K5-5th End of Year Awards Noon dismissal, Middle School

- 24- Last day of ELS will close at 6pm
- 24- *End of Quarter
- 25- June 2 School office and ELS closed

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17-21- Achievement Tests

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3-4 Independence Day Observed -FBA closed/SOS open July 3rd

End of Quarter ELS/SOS Closed

*Possible Weather Makeup Day - Feb. 10th

Last updated: June 30, 2022

First Baptist Academy Welcomes You To The Exciting 2022-2023 School Year!

THINGS TO DO IN JULY*

- Purchase PE clothes in office for K-5th grade; online through the school store for 6-12th grade.
- K3-12th pick up pre-ordered school supplies. (Must be picked up by July 29st to avoid a \$25.00 storage fee).
- Register/Login to PraxiSchool. Instructions will be sent separately.
- Check lunch account balance and add money in PraxiSchool or the school office. Remember, the August payment will be billed on August 1st and is due by the 15th of the month. Students will not be permitted to class if the August payment is not made BEFORE the first day of school.

School Office Summer Hours Monday-Thursday 9:00-3:00 PM; Friday 9:00AM-12:00PM

Important Dates – August 10, 15 & 16

- August 10 Class rosters will be posted in PraxiSchool under the Resource Tab
- August 15 FBA Night (attendance taken)
 - o Meet teacher
 - o Pick up schedule
 - o Bring supplies
 - o Purchase spirit items
 - Verify student pickup list
 - o Receive Full Day Preschool-5th Grade Car Pool Placard
 - Visit Nurse Station
- August 16

 First Full Day of School

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16 - FIRST FULL DAY OF SCHOOL**

(K5 – 5th grades)
Drop off 7:50 to 8:15am
Students tardy after 8:15am
Dismissal 3:30pm

(3yr.-K4 students) Drop off 8:15 am K3-4 ½ day 12:00 pm K3-4 full day 3:30 pm (6th-12th grades)
Drop off 7:50
6th-8th grade tardy after 8:10am
6th-8th Dismissal 3:34pm
9th-12th grade tardy after 8:15am
9th-12th Dismissal 3:39pm

Before and After School Care

ELS available at 6:30am & 3:30-6pm for PreK-13 yrs. old

Hang Time available at 6:30am & from 4-6pm for 14 yrs. old & up

K5-12th grade: Make sure you have your uniforms 1st -12th grade:

Remember to do your

Summer ReadingCheck website for details!

Athletes: Register on Rank One and have an up to date physical.

FIRST BAPTIST ATHLETICS



Hello, I trust you are all having a fun summer! As you know, our basketball camp and sport specific skill development days have been great! If you are new or just missed it, please check out our summer calendars at fbauc.org/athletics. We have planned a lot more opportunities to help develop our athletes and hope you will take advantage of them. It won't be long until August rolls around and we will be in full swing again. Hopefully this letter will answer the questions you have has we get ready for the new school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to send me an email.

** ATHLETIC MEETING – AUGUST 15 AT 4:00 **

ANY STUDENT WHO WISHES TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY SPORT MUST ATTEND THE MEETING WITH AT LEAST ONE PARENT.

This meeting will be in the sanctuary. We will highlight important policies covered in the athletic handbook that are helpful for everyone to know. You will also have a chance to meet our coaches and ask sport specific questions.

August Practices:

Please see the August practice schedule on our page at fbauc.org/athletics

The August practices are not optional practice dates. If you are wanting to play on any of these teams, your attendance is mandatory. Coaches are not required to keep athletes who have missed these mandatory practices. If you wish to play but cannot make it for some reason, please contact the coach and let them know. Each coach will have a different way of handling tryouts and how their team will be set up. This process will be explained to the athletes on the first day of practice.

**In order to begin practice, each athlete will need a current physical. All athletes should check the date of their last physical and be sure you have an appointment scheduled to get it updated. If you are a new student, please bring a copy of your physical by the office or to your coach on the first day of practice. We cannot let you participate without a physical. You can find the form on Rank One.

There are other forms there that will need signed as well. You are not eligible to participate until all forms are signed and physicals are turned in. Please be aware that you cannot access the forms from a mobile device! You must be using a desktop computer to complete the forms.

Rank One Set Up:

It is an easy process and it is required by TAPPS that all parents of middle and high school students set up an account.

- 1. Go to www.rankonesport.com
- 2. Click on this Parents/Students Fill Out Electronic Forms at the top of the home page
- 3. You will be directed to pick our state
- 4. You will then click on our school
- 5. Follow the instructions to set up your account (you will use your child's birthdate not a student ID number)
- 6. Complete your student's profile and the required forms
- 7. Pro Tip: Download the Rank One App- this will help you stay connected

All forms are filled out and submitted online. The only form that you will print off and turn in is the physical form. The medical history must be filled out online. We appreciate your willingness to help us be compliant with the new TAPPS requirements.

*If you are having trouble with the system finding your student, send me an email.

If you are new, it may be that you are not yet entered into the system or we have entered the birthdate incorrectly.

PE/Athletic Practice Uniform:

The new uniform is a red dri-fit shirt and navy mesh shorts with our logo embroidered on the leg. <u>The old red shorts and grey t-shirts can no longer be worn</u>. Due to the customization of the product, <u>ALL SALES ARE FINAL</u>. We have sizing samples available in the school office so please stop by and try on before you order!!

The new uniform is available on our online Champion team store. Here is the schedule for ordering:

<u>June 30-July 8</u> - Store will be open and we <u>expect</u> orders placed during this time to be here before or by FBA night on August 15.

<u>July 11-July 15</u> – Store will be open and we <u>hope</u> orders placed during this time will be here by FBA night.

<u>July 18 – July 22 – Store will be open and we don't expect</u> orders placed during this time to arrive until the second week of school.

Here is the link to the team store:

http://coachsassistant.gtmsportswear.com/fbaeagles

This link to the team store is also where you will find the sweatshirts that can be worn in the classroom! This year there are four design/color options. These are a standard unisex fit. Again, order by July 15 to have them the first week of school! (ALL SALES ARE FINAL)

**Please note: Most of the girls/womens 5 inch shorts are out of stock or have very limited available. This is a supply issue. You can order them when you are ordering the other items and they will be shipped to you as soon as they are available.

Contact Information for myself and your coaches:

Jennifer Graves	jgraves@fbauc.com	210-387-4711	Athletic Director, MS/Varsity Girls Basketball
Rebekah Inmon	rinmon@fbauc.com	210-781-0210	MS/Varsity Cross Country and Track
Holly Keener	hkeener@fbauc.com	210-827-1841	Varsity Volleyball
Holli Myers		210-837-0301	MS Volleyball
Justin Brandt	justin_brandt15@yahoo.com	210-687-7712	MS/Varsity Soccer
Ben Graves	ben@truaxinc.com	210-426-4955	Varsity Boys Basketball

If you have any questions, you can email jgraves@fbauc.com.

Looking forward to a great year!

GO EAGLES!

Beginning Band Bootcamp

Beginning Band Bootcamp is coming soon! BBB will be from August 1nd to 4th from 1PM to 3PM in the Band Hall. This is an opportunity for our beginners to get started on their instruments in smaller, same-instrument groups to focus on making the best sounds from the start. We'll spend some time each day as a big group, but we will mainly work in sectionals. You will need to be working to secure an instrument for your student before camp. Most student model instruments can be either purchased or rented from a quality music store like Music & Arts, Hillje Music, or Sam Ash for a reasonable rate. Beware of "bargains" you might find on the internet, as these are often poorly made and can result in bigger headaches down the road. I've sent out a list of recommended brands and models for each instrument at the end of last year (let me know if you'd like another copy). Some students will be able to borrow instruments from the FBA Band, if there is a financial need or for larger instruments like Baritone Horns/Tubas. We do have a limited supply of instruments, so I'd like to use them for those most in need.

If you have any questions about BBB or if you'd like me to look over an instrument, please let me know. You can email me anytime at SStrawn@FBAUC.COM. I'm so excited about this new year, and I can't wait to get started!



FBA ALL-STATE CHOIR CAMP AUGUST 9-11

Where: FBA, Grace Room 213

For: Any high school choir member grades 9–12

When: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10

<u>RSVP</u>: Please email Mrs. Goddard at <u>dgoddard@fbauc.com</u> by July 15 if at all possible as music packets must be pre-ordered.

Questions? You can e-mail Mrs. Goddard if you have any questions.

This camp is voluntary but highly recommended for high school choir students. The skills and music we learn in will help in region, area, and all-state auditions.



Choir Camp Is Coming August 9-11!!!

Where: FBA, Choral Suite (Chapel)

For: Anyone already in or joining choir from grades 6-12

When: 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10

<u>RSVP</u>: Please call the school office (658–5331) by July 31 or email Mrs. Goddard at <u>dgoddard@fbauc.com</u> to let us know you are coming.

Questions?: You can e-mail Mrs. Goddard if you have any questions.

Every student who is planning to be in choir this coming year needs to come to camp. Students who are unable to attend will have to make up the camp material by appointment after school starts. We will be starting on some of this year's repertoire as well as honing our sight reading skills. No auditions are necessary; just come expecting to have fun!



HELLO,

My name is Sarah Self and I am the Chair of the FBA Parent Auxiliary. The PA is one of many support systems for the school. We strive to serve our teachers and staff in many ways. One of the ways we help them is by hosting a work room the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month, with some variation depending on holidays. We need lots of hands to make those work rooms successful. As a member of the Parent Auxiliary, you will be a huge help to make our school year even better. We are constantly trying to find ways to assist our teachers and staff and do exciting things for our students.

On July 13, from 10:00-2:00pm, we will have a uniform sale in the lunchroom. Each uniform piece is \$5.00 with PE clothes being \$3.00 each. Our little girls sizes go very fast! If you have uniforms you need to donate, we will be accepting CLEAN, gently used uniforms, through the office during their business hours. We will not be accepting middle/high school PE clothes. Be sure to visit the Parent Auxiliary table at FBA Night to enter a drawing from the PA to win \$50.00 towards your account! You won't want to miss that opportunity!

Have a blessed and fun summer!! Do something fun with your kids!!

THANKS, Sarah Self

2022-2023 First Baptist Academy Spirit Shirt



Available Now in the School Office and on FBA NIGHT!

FRONT



BACK



The First Spirit Day is August 19th



WE HAVE YOUTH AND ADULT SIZES FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS.
GET ONE WHILE YOU CAN !!!

