April 14, 2014

Dear Fuller Families,

I wanted to inform you of a staffing change that happened very recently. Our Vice Principal, Gerson Colon is on extended leave and I have appointed Allison Benabdallah to be the interim Vice Principal for Fuller Middle School. Allison has been at Fuller for many years, and excels as a teachers and producer of the music and drama productions. We are fortunate to have Allison to assist in this role as a licensed administrator. We made an internal appointment to fill Allison’s teaching role, and on Thursday, we met with the students and staff on the Opal team to discuss this change. The changes that have been made were done so with the best interest of Fuller students in mind, and please be assured that student safety, and teaching and learning will remain at the forefront of our practice and decisions.

If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact me. As always, thank you for your support and for trusting us with your children’s education; we take this very seriously.

Have a relaxing April vacation.

Regards,

Sharon

**This week Fuller Dates**

April 17 Yearbook orders due TODAY! **Order at**[**ybpay.lifetouch.com**](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com/)**with Yearbook ID code 11961014**

April 18                                 NO SCHOOL - Good Friday

April 21 - 25                         Spring Vacation

**Future Fuller Dates**

May 4 McCarthy/Fuller 5K Road Race – register by clicking on link below

<http://www.active.com/framingham-ma/running/races/mccarthy-fuller-5k-and-fun-run-2014>

May 6 & 7 Grade 8 MCAS – Math

May 9 Grade 6 MCAS – Math

May 9 *Student Talent Show* sponsored by the Fuller PTO – more details forthcoming

May 12 Grade 6 MCAS – Math

May 13 & 14 Grade 7 MCAS – Math

May 13                             FHS 8th Grade Athletics Orientation @ 6:00 p.m. in FHS Auditorium

May 15 & 16 Grade 8 MCAS – Science, Technology & Engineering

May 16 Fuller Spring Dance! 7:00-9:00 in Fuller Cafeteria (Sponsored by Student Council/Interact Club)

May 29 9:00 – All School Community Meeting (Middlesex D.A.’s office presents – CYBER SAFETY)

June 20 SAVE THE DATE! ***Grade 8*** ***Promotion Ceremonies and Awards*** 9:00 – 10:30 am

**Important Topics/Reminders**

PARENT PICK-UP/DROP-OFF

Students can ONLY be dropped off in the side (*Mass Bay Community College) parking lot. For safety reasons, students should not be droppe*d off in front of the school. Drivers please take note and respect signs in front of the school and traffic monitors. Please drive slowly while on or near school property.

FULLER WEBSITE

We have a great website that is updated by our talented webmaster, Joe Pagano. We hope that the information here will be an excellent communication tool for families. As we work to improve the website’s effectiveness, please give us feedback.

Check it out at <http://framingham.k12.ma.us/fuller.cfm>

FULLER PTO

Fuller PTO has a Facebook page! Be sure to check it out and become a “friend” of this page to stay connected with PTO activities. Please sign up for the PTO newsletter by contacting fullerpto@gmail.com

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

Regular, on-time attendance to school is strongly associated with academic achievement. Please make sure that you are encouraging your child to be punctual and present every day, unless they have a fever or are vomiting. Students who are repeatedly tardy will be assigned consequences such as lunch detention and/or office detention.

FULLER PARENT CENTER

We are very excited to announce that our Parent Center, located in the Guidance Office, is now open to parents and guardians of Fuller students. The hours are 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and parents need to sign-in at Guidance and provide a form of ID. There are four computers with internet access and soon, we will open the Parent Portal of X2 for parents and students to check progress.

**Clubs/After School Activities**

Late buses run Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. After school buses will pick up students at 4:15 p.m. and bus them home. The following clubs are offered on the following days:

After School TV club will meet from 3:00-4:00, Tuesday afternoons and run through May 20th. They will meet in the *Access Framingham* studio at Fuller.

Chamber Choir is open to 6th, 7th and 8th graders who enjoy singing from a variety of repertoire and will be performing in the 2014 Spring Concert.  Meetings are at 7:00-8:00 am on Thursday and Friday.  All are welcome to join!

Study Center: 3:00-4:00 every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

After School Activities: in the Gym 3:00-4:00 every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

Math Club: 2:30-3:30 every Thursday in Rm. B45

Politics and Current events: 3:00-4:00 every Wednesday in Rm. B24

Yearbook Club: 3:00-4:00 every other Wednesday

Student Council: 2:30–3:30 every Thursday in Rm. B40

Future Science and Engineers Coming 3:00-4:00 every Wednesday