

Hello all,

It sure feels like summer is flying by. Things are starting to feel a lot cleaner around here with the new asphalt down. The parking lots will be ready for use by August 2nd just in time for the fall sport tryouts and registration events.

Faculty parking these next two years will be on the north end of the building. You will enter between the school and the seminary building. Please exercise great caution as you enter as students will be crossing to the seminary in that location. It will be gated. In order to go in and out you will need to stop your vehicle and open and close the gate. Please help us keep that gate closed during school hours for the protection of our students.

The football field is looking better and better, we will be ready for the season with a brand new field. The district maintenance guys have been extremely helpful. A big thanks to the grounds department, the sprinkler/plumbing department, as well as electrical. Also a big thanks to boosters, Curt Jones and Steve Bowler.

With the football field out of commission this summer and the new additions to our school, grass has become an endangered species. Consequently our soccer, baseball, and softball fields have taken a bit of a beating. Combining this heavy use of the fields with 4 or 5 water main breaks, countless repairs (Big thanks to Al), as well as scheduled dry spells for construction purposes, the remaining grass is struggling. It is coming around and we are taking the steps necessary to guarantee safe practice and playing fields for our students. *For two years things are going to be a bit tricky and we ask for your patience and cooperation. We have to make it work and we will. The end result will be well worth it.* [Emphasis added - cut this out and paste it on the wall. This is our mantra for 26 more months].

Construction on the new maintenance shed to replace the Barn is under way, they are digging the footings this week with the masonry work starting next week.

They will be rubberizing that new track surface beginning on the 28th or 29th of this month. Please do not use, look at, spit on, or breathe on the new track for 10 days after the surface has been applied.

The tennis courts are in process. The resurfaced courts (3 to the north) will be ready for use by August 4, the 3 new courts to the south will be completed August 25. They are going to look awesome.

The first part of August looks to be just a busy as we will be looking to get concrete walks poured and fencing installed prior to school starting. They will actually begin to dig the new footings by the end of next week as well.

Hope your summer is going slower than mine.

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