

An Introduction to the Fort Zumwalt School District

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Message from the Superintendent

Dear Patron:

On behalf of the Board of Education and District Administrative staff, I welcome you to the Fort Zumwalt School District. It is our intent that this information will be useful to you and your family in becoming familiar with the Fort Zumwalt School District. Our staff encourages your participation in any of the activities or volunteer organizations for parents.

The purpose of this pamphlet is to serve as an overview of the Fort Zumwalt School District. We want you to get to know us. We want you to learn about our history, our governance, and our educational programs. We want you to become acquainted with the faculty and administration, the curriculum, special programs available, and the buildings which students occupy. At the same time, we would like the opportunity to get to know you. We encourage you to visit the buildings, classrooms and offices which are in your schools.

With this background, the following pages will serve as your introduction to the Fort Zumwalt School District. As questions or concerns arise during the year, please feel free to contact me or any of the administrative staff members in the school buildings.

Sincerely,

Dr. Bernard J. DuBray
Superintendent

Mission Statement

The mission of the Fort Zumwalt School District is to assure that its students, regardless of ability or economic level, are provided an education in such a positive and safe learning environment that all reach their potential. A strong commitment is made to promote the virtues of democracy, citizenship, self-discipline, the work ethic, and the need to respect all members of society.

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O'Fallon, MO 63366
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O'Fallon, MO 63366
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St. Peters, MO 63376
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North High School

1230 Tom Ginnever Ave.
O'Fallon, MO 63366
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South High School

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St. Peters, MO 63376
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West High School

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O'Fallon, MO 63366
636/281-4030/379-0300
Fax: 636/281-0202

East High School

600 First Executive Ave.
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/477-2400
Fax: 636/926-3345

Facts at a Glance

Approximately 19,000 students are enrolled in grades K-12 in 15 elementary schools, 4 middle schools, 4 high schools, and an alternative high school making the Fort Zumwalt School District one of the largest districts in the St. Louis Metropolitan Area and in the state of Missouri.

Some 1,300 certified teachers, librarians and counselors with 70 administrators and 1,150 support staff (including secretaries, registered nurses, crisis counselors, occupational therapists, physical therapists, custodians, maintenance staff, cooks, clerks and bus drivers) make up the school district staff.

The district has an expenditure budget in excess of \$200 million in the special, general, capital project and debt service funds which are maintained as required by law. The school district has been fully accredited by the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP) Review Process, the highest rating in Missouri and has received the coveted Distinction in Performance Award from the State Board of Education on eight separate occasions.

The district is 136 square miles with transportation services provided by the district. An average of 13,000 pupils are transported daily more than a mile from school while in past years about 1,000 students have applied for and received transportation though living less than one mile from school.

Schools provide over 14,000 breakfasts and lunches each day at the lowest possible cost to students. The district participates in the federal Free and Reduced Price Meal program for qualifying students. Special selected menus provide nutritious meals that meet and exceed federal food guidelines.

State MAP and National ACT test scores of Fort Zumwalt students consistently are reported above average.

Positive Peer Influence

Providing opportunities for PPI (Positive Peer Influence) among district students is a high priority of the Fort Zumwalt School District Board of Education. Positive peer influence is a powerful force, offering a good chance for addressing problems characteristically experienced in pre-adolescent and adolescent development. These influences also can dramatically effect the growth of positive self-esteem.

Alcohol/substance abuse and bullying prevention in particular have been singled out as problems that can be addressed through the exertion of more positive influence by students upon their peers. Strategies and activities to improve positive peer influence in the schools have been strategically implemented since the 1989-1990 school year and continue to be expanded yearly.



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History of the District

As early as 1807, there is evidence that a school was established in what is currently the Fort Zumwalt School District. The school was located in the log cabin home of Quentin Miller Zumwalt, wife of Jacob Zumwalt, an original settler of the area.

In 1869, a school for O'Fallon was built in the area known as Convent Park on the grounds of St. Mary's Academy. Julius Riechenstein was employed as the first teacher by the townspeople.

One and two room schools located in Flint Hill, Dyer, Josephville, Mount Hope, St. Peters and Cool Springs were opened in the late 1800s. In 1910, O'Fallon outgrew the one-room school and built two new schools at the present location of Hope High School.

A high school operated until 1918 at which time a parochial high school was established leaving too few students to operate a public high school. Students wishing to attend a public high school were transported to St. Charles or Wentzville for their secondary education.

A school district reorganization law was enacted during the 1947 session of the Missouri General Assembly which included procedures to be followed in combining the state's small school districts into larger units, thus providing more extensive and effective educational and service programs. This law required each county in the state to elect a six-member board of education that would be responsible for developing a county plan of reorganization.

In implementing this law in St. Charles County, the newly elected board developed, and had approved by the state, a plan which proposed combining 12 small districts into one large district designated as Central School District R-II. Formation of this unit was approved by the voters on July 19, 1949.

Joseph L. Mudd was hired as principal of the new facility which was located on Virgil Street (now the 100 wing of North Middle School). Additions in the form of classrooms and a multi-purpose room were soon made to this building.

In 1958, plans were formalized for construction of a high school to eliminate the necessity of transporting students to St. Charles and Wentzville. The high school opened in 1960 and an educational system for students in grades one through twelve was established.

During the next nine years, the increase in students at all levels was amazing. Additional elementary schools were added to help meet the continuing influx of students.

The Fort Zumwalt School District struggled to meet the demands of its growing student population while attempting to provide the very best in educational instruction. The district experienced several years of "split sessions" when students in the secondary grades were in buildings from 6:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. Students returned to regular school hours in 1973-74.

Many classrooms, activity areas and office spaces were added to most buildings in the district to meet the growing number of students. The kindergarten curriculum and subsequent classrooms were added in 1978-79. Studies of anticipated growth patterns indicated that additional space may continue to be necessary to meet the needs of a growing district.

In the 1987-88 school year, the district opened its eighth elementary building, Dardenne Elementary School, and a second high school, Fort Zumwalt South High School. Since then major additions have been made to both buildings.

During the decade of the 1990's, the district continued with major construction projects, adding new facilities and building additions to keep up with the enrollment growth. Twin Chimneys Elementary was opened for the 1993-94 school year with the final addition completed for the fall of 1997. During the 1995-96 school year, DuBray Middle School was opened; in 1996-97 Rock Creek Elementary; in 1997-98, Mid Rivers Elementary; and in 1998-99 school year, Pheasant Point Elementary opened as well as West High School, the district's third high school.

Capital improvements for the 2000-2001 school year included the construction of the new Herbert A. Westhoff Elementary School and West Middle School, both opening for students for the 2001-2002 school year. During the 2002-2003 school year, two new elementary schools, Ostmann and Emge, opened to help alleviate overcrowding in the Twin Chimneys and Dardenne schools.

In 2007-2008, the district opened East High School for students in the eastern portion of St. Peters.

A sixteenth elementary school is planned for the Flint Hill area.

District officials are committed to providing the very best education for all the students in the district and are pledged to meeting the demands of a growing student population.

Building Directory Cont'd.

Hope High School

307 W. Pitman
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Fax: 636/379-5909

North Middle School

210 Virgil Street
O'Fallon, MO 63366
636/281-2356/379-2604
Fax: 636/281-0005

South Middle School

300 Knaust Road
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/281-0776/379-1973
Fax: 636/281-0006

West Middle School

150 Waterford Crossing
O'Fallon, MO 63368
636/272-6690/379-4988
Fax: 636/272-6361

DuBray Middle School

100 DuBray Drive
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/279-7979/970-3360
Fax: 636/278-4749

Dardenne Elementary School

2621 Highway K
O'Fallon, MO 63368
636/978-4001
Fax: 636/978-4012

Emge Elementary School

250 Fallon Parkway
O'Fallon, MO 63368
636/281-0261/978-4186
Fax: 636/281-0331

Forest Park Elementary School

501 Sunflower
O'Fallon, MO 63366
636/272-2704/240-9482
Fax: 636/281-0007

Hawthorn Elementary School

166 Boone Hills Drive
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/474-3999
Fax: 636/447-9216

J.L. Mudd Elementary School

610 Prince Ruppert
O'Fallon, MO 63366
636/272-2709/240-9483
Fax: 636/281-0008

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Lewis & Clark Elementary School

460 McMenamy Road
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/397-4212/397-3111
Fax: 636/397-1454

Mid Rivers Elementary School

7479 Mexico Road
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/278-2168/397-0431
Fax: 636/278-2451

Mount Hope Elementary School

1099 Mount Hope Drive
O'Fallon, MO 63366
636/240-9484
Fax: 636/281-0003

Ostmann Elementary School

200 Meriwether Lewis Dr.
O'Fallon, MO 63368
636/281-3382/978-4548
Fax: 636/281-3372

Pheasant Point Elementary School

3450 Pheasant Meadow Dr.
O'Fallon, MO 63368
636/272-0701/379-0173
Fax: 636/980-3650

Progress South Elementary School

201 Knaust Road
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/272-2721/240-9485
Fax: 636/281-0002

Rock Creek Elementary School

8970 Mexico Road
O'Fallon, MO 63366
636/980-1800/978-1611
Fax: 636/980-1653

St. Peters Elementary School

400 McMenamy Road
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/397-4900/397-3211
Fax: 636/279-3416

Twin Chimneys Elementary School

7396 Twin Chimneys Blvd.
O'Fallon, Mo 63368
636/240-0093
Fax: 636/240-0095

Westhoff Elementary School

900 Homefield Blvd.
O'Fallon, MO 63366
636/272-6710/379-4911
Fax: 636/272-6351

Graduation Requirements

In order to graduate from a Fort Zumwalt high school, a student must complete a minimum of 24 units of credit in a program that is cooperatively planned by the student, his or her parents/guardians, and the school to meet the individual needs of the student. The same number of credits for exceptional students are required; however, because of the individual educational needs of exceptional students, alternative educational experiences as outlined in the IEP and received in the special education program may be applied toward certification of successful completion of the requirements.

SUBJECT	UNITS
English	4
Mathematics	3
Science	3
Health	½
Fine Arts	1
Practical Arts	1
Physical Education	1
Social Studies	3
Personal Finance	½
Electives	7
TOTAL	24

A+ Schools

Fort Zumwalt is designated as an A+ School District. Students are reimbursed for the cost of tuition while attending a Missouri public community college or public vocational/technical school on a full-time basis if they meet the following requirements:

1. Attend a designated A+ School for three (3) consecutive years prior to high school graduation.
2. Graduate from high school with a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
3. Have at least 95% attendance record for the four-year period.
4. Beginning with the 2011-2012 freshman class, students must score Proficient or higher on the Algebra I End of Course Test.
5. Graduate with fifty (50) documented hours of unpaid tutoring of younger students in approved settings.
6. Maintain a record of good citizenship and avoid the unlawful use of drugs and alcohol.
7. Make a good faith effort to secure federal post-secondary student financial assistance funds during the last semester of senior year.
8. All males who reach their 18th birthday must register for the Selective Service.

Administrative Staff

Dr. Bernard DuBray, Superintendent

Dr. Patty Corum, Deputy Superintendent – Personnel Services

Mr. Bill Weber, Asst. Superintendent – Facilities & Construction Services

Dr. Kim Carter, Asst. Superintendent – Student Personnel Services

Dr. Jackie Floyd, Asst. Superintendent – Curriculum & Instruction

Mr. Paul Myers, Asst. Superintendent – Special Services

Mr. Jeffrey Orr – Chief Financial Officer

Mrs. Laura Musket – Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent - PR/Media

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