

Meeting	Date	Time	Location
Teacher Workday	10/16	----	Year-Round Calendar
AP's Meeting	10/17	4:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
STAC Meeting	10/18	4:00 p.m.	Laurel Mill Elementary
Hurricane Makeup Day	10/20	----	Traditional Calendar
BOE Retreat	10/23	12:00 noon	NC SBA Building – Raleigh
Board of Education Meeting	11/6	7:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
Holiday – Veterans' Day	11/10	----	Students, Teachers, and Staff
Principals' Meeting	11/14	8:30 a.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
Early Release Day	11/15	----	Traditional +Year-Round Calendar
High School Social Studies Teachers' Meeting	11/16	4:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
SHAC Meeting	11/17	8:30 a.m.	Child Nutrition Annex
APs' Meeting/Academy	11/21	4:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
Teacher Workday	11/22	----	Traditional +Year-Round Calendar
Thanksgiving Holiday	11/23+24	----	Students, Teachers, and Staff
BOE Meeting	11/27	7:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
Music, Band, and Drama Teachers Meeting	11/28	4:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
United Way Educational Grants Reception	11/30	7:00 p.m.	Mitchell Media Center

Transfers: Nathan Moreschi, currently a social studies teacher at Franklinton High Schools, is the new Public Information Officer for Franklin County Schools. Nathan is a graduate of Franklinton High School and UNC/Charlotte. Prior to teaching at Franklinton, he was a sports reporter for the Wake Weekly. Nathan will be able to combine his journalism expertise with his teaching experience and, of course, his love for Franklin County. When you see Nathan, please welcome him to his new position.

Annual Board of Retreat: Scheduled for October 23rd at the NC School Boards' Association in Raleigh, the board will be hearing reports and discussing the following subjects: Suspensions, Closing the Achievement Gap, Rigorous Coursework, Programs for Exceptional Children, Whole-Faculty Study Groups, Reading Apprenticeship Program, and Freshman Academy.

Coming to a School Near You – Flu Shots! Blue Cross Blue Shield is in the process of scheduling flu shots at each school and central office. If you have the State Health Plan or the PPO, the shots are free. Being school personnel, we have ample opportunity to contract the flu virus. Take this opportunity to spend this winter “flu free.”

Blood-Borne Pathogen (BBP) Training: There are still a few schools who have not completed BBP training. Go to our website and click on BBP Refresher Training and Quiz. The training and the test take less than 20 minutes. Should you need help or remediation, please call Rhonda Shearon at 496-2600 ext. 265.

Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund (JFMF): Last year at this time, Judy Stover applied for and received a Fulbright Scholarship to study the Japanese school system in Japan. The JFMF is again accepting applications. For more information, go to their website located at www.iae.org/jfmf.

Good News for Reading First Teachers: Reading First Schools were given the option to present their own plan for NC Reads III requirements for teachers. Franklin County presented a plan that embedded Whole-Faculty Study Groups in the NC Reads III Plan. Dianne Carter, the three principals, and CRTs wrote and developed the plan. The Reading First Peer Review Panel discussed the plan; it received rave reviews and a perfect score. Congratulations, Reading First Schools.

TAs Training to be Teachers: The NC Model Teacher Education Consortium is sponsoring a conference for paraprofessionals enrolled in teacher education programs on October 27 and 28 at the North Raleigh Hilton Hotel. The conference begins Friday night with a banquet and will conclude on Saturday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. Ron Clark will be the featured presenter. If you are interested or know someone who might be interested, please call Diane Marks at 496-2600 for conference information and registration materials.

Featured Safe Schools Website: www.keepschoolssafe.org - This is an exceptional website recommended by Terri Wynne. I think you will find it helpful and "timely." There is information for teachers, students, parents, and the community. Also, there is good information on bullying. If you visit the website and find it helpful, let us know.

**Have A Great "FALL" Weekend,
Bert L'Homme,
Superintendent**