



July/August District #702 Update

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! As July rolls into August, you may have noticed a few additions around the middle/high school building.

1. The new middle school drive will provide a safer and smoother drop-off for students in grades 5-8. You will notice a one-way entry to the drop off point with the new exit now one-way through the back of school property to West and Walnut Streets. This arrangement eliminates the bottle-neck that exists at the former entry to the Middle School that also served as the exit. You'll note that parking on the upper lot is angled differently to reflect the new change in direction. Additional parking has been added for the Middle School and South Gym events. Eventually, sidewalks will be added to meet up with West Street for added pedestrian access. For now, there will be a walkway from the new parking lot to the South Gym.
2. A newly formed Future Farmer's of America (FFA) Alumni organization raised money to provide a refurbished greenhouse that is currently being constructed just West of the building near the Ag shop. We greatly appreciate the efforts of this group and are privileged to provide new learning opportunities for our students.
3. Finally, there's a new electronic sign on Route 9 that we will utilize to inform the public of school events. The old sign was beginning to show its age and we're excited to add a more modern feel to the complex.

We can't wait to begin school on Wednesday, August 17 and are anxious to see our students again!!!! REGISTRATION is THURSDAY, AUGUST 4th (3:00-7:00). Staff will be back in all three buildings on Monday, August 1st.