**2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR - FIRST DAY FOR STUDENTS – Monday, August 21, 2017**

On behalf of the administration, teachers, and support staff we wish all of our students and their families a healthy, happy and relaxing summer break.   As we close out this year we are already working on schedules and making plans for a successful, productive 2017-2018 school year.

The first day for students will be Monday, August 21, 2017

As you know, the Ohio Department of Education has been auditing our district and has issued specific guidelines and directions for achieving school improvement. Professional development for our teachers and staff is a key component of our comprehensive plan to achieve that improvement.

We will complete the majority of the Professional Development for our teachers and staff at the beginning of the year. We are also eliminating Tyger Time-two hour delayed starts. (Two-hour delays for inclement weather may be necessary.)  This will be less disruptive to the school schedule and will allow us to implement initiatives at very beginning of the school year.  Below is the schedule we will follow for the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year:

Tuesday, August 15 District-wide professional development no school for students

Wednesday, August 16 District-wide professional development no school for students

Thursday, August 17 District-wide professional development no school for students

Friday, August 18 Teacher work day – set up classrooms no school for students

Monday, August 21 Mansfield City School Opening Day for Students

The last day of the first three grading periods will also be non-student days and will be used to check progress toward our school improvement work.

Friday, October 13 District-wide professional development no school for students

Wednesday, December 20 District-wide professional development no school for students

Friday, March 9 District-wide professional development no school for students

The final schedule will be made available at each school and is now, posted to the district website.