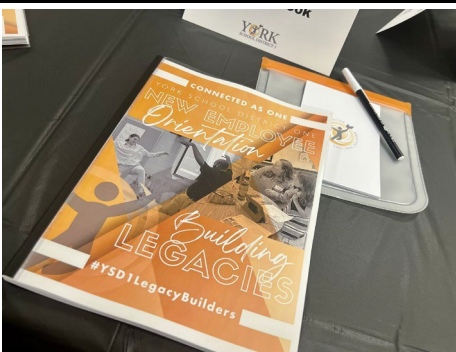




The Connector

York School District One's Community Newsletter



Welcome Back!

A new school year is upon us and we could not be more excited! York School District One welcomed 57 new employees on Tuesday, July 25th at Harold C. Johnson Elementary School. Employees received a warm York Welcome, were cheered by our YCHS cheer team and mascot, high fives, smiles, and laughter from District leaders. We've hired 76 new employees to join York School District One. Participants learned more about our Strategic Change Agenda, which outlines our three bold goals.

- Create a challenging and supportive educational environment that ensures readiness for all students.
- Create quality opportunities for ongoing learning for students and staff in order to promote innovation and flexibility.
- Build capacity and leadership at every level of the organization.

Our District is committed to strengthening our Connected as ONE campaign in which we emphasize learning, serving, and giving together. As we continue our journey to become a learning organization, we want to invite you to engage in this work with us. As partners who work collaboratively to support the youth of our community, we can work to ensure that every student in our care has a high-quality learning experience! We invite you to join your school's PTO, or School Improvement Council, or volunteer or partner with us in this important work. Together, we can make an incredible difference for every student in our community!

Kelly Coxe
Superintendent

Calendar of Events

Open House Events

- York Comprehensive High School/Floyd D. Johnson Technology Center
 - July 26-Freshmen Orientation
 - July 27- Sophomore, Junior, and Senior Orientation
 - 9:00 am- 3:00 pm

August 3, 2023:

- Cotton Belt Elementary
 - 9:00 am; 1:00 pm & 5:00 pm
- Harold C. Johnson Elementary
 - 9:00 am; 4:30 pm & 5:30 pm
- Hickory Grove Sharon Elementary
 - 9:00 am; 1:00 pm & 5:00 pm
- Hunter Street Elementary
 - 9:00 am; 3:00 pm & 5:30 pm
- Jefferson Elementary
 - 8:30 am; 1:00 pm & 5:30 pm
- York Intermediate School
 - 10:00 am & 3:30 pm
- York Middle School
 - 9:30 am & 5:00 pm

For more information, contact your school!

- August 7th- First Day of School for Students
- August 8th- York School District One Board of Trustees Meeting/6:00 PM @District Office/Board Room



YSD1 Joins USDA Community Eligibility Provision

York School District One is excited to announce that for the 2023-2024 school year EVERY student will be able to receive breakfast and lunch, at school, without cost! This Federal USDA Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program will begin in August 2023 and continue through 2027!



EVERY STUDENT EATS WITHOUT COST!

York One Schools is excited to announce that for the 2023-2024 school year EVERY student will be able to receive breakfast and lunch, at school, without cost, thanks to the Federal USDA Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program. As a CEP district, all students will have breakfast and lunch available at no cost.

Maintenance and Operations Summer Updates!

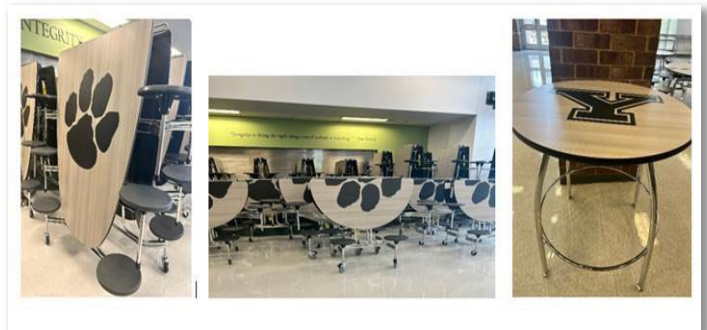
The York School District One Maintenance Department has been hard at work this summer. A list of summer maintenance and technology projects completed in our schools this summer can be found below:

- Painting
- Cleaning of floors, carpets, and facilities
- Pressure washing
- Tree Pruning
- Lawncare and building maintenance on all campuses
- Addition of playground mulch at all elementary schools
- Fire extinguisher inspections
- Annual elevator inspections
- Bus Maintenance/ inspections on schedule
- Fire Alarm Replacements:
 - Hunter Street
 - Cotton Belt
 - Jefferson

Our custodial and maintenance staff has worked diligently to ready our buildings for our students and staff. When you visit one of our schools you'll see shiny and clean floors, clean carpet, and neat and tidy classrooms! We know a safe and clean environment is the foundation of a great teaching and learning experience! Please join us in extending appreciation to our maintenance and custodial staff for the hard work they do each day to maintain our facilities!

The Technology Department updates technology equipment across the district based on the District's established refresh cycle. This summer several schools had their computers and/or iPads replaced. Those schools are listed below. Schools/Departments not listed were either included in the previous refresh cycle or will be included in the next one.

- Computer Replacements
 - Jefferson Elementary
 - Harold C. Johnson Elementary
 - Cotton Belt Elementary
- iPad Replacement
 - Jefferson Elementary
 - Cotton Belt Elementary
 - Exceptional Student Center



New Year! New Look at York Comprehensive High School!

New cafeteria furniture was installed at the end of the school year at York Comprehensive High School. This project was completed almost entirely utilizing Food Service Funds. We've included a few pictures below and hope our high school students will enjoy the updated environment in the Cougar Cafeteria!

Meet Your York School District One

BOARD OF

Trustees

Boeth Faulkner



AT-LARGE

Scott Childers



AT-LARGE

Wade Anderson



SEAT ONE

David McSwain



SEAT TWO

Chris Revels



SEAT THREE

Betty Johnson



SEAT FOUR

Vacant



SEAT FIVE

Vision

To Learn, Serve, and Give as ONE

Mission

Our mission is to cultivate a service-oriented community of learners who strive for personal growth and excellence as communicators, collaborators, creators, and critical thinkers

Beliefs

- Learning is a life-long, ever-changing process for students and staff.
- Each child is unique and should have the opportunity to reach his/her full potential.
- A safe, orderly, and nurturing environment is essential for learning.
- Education is a collaborative effort between schools and community.
- Technology is a tool that should be leveraged to enhance the teaching and learning process
- Teaching and learning should be relevant, individualized, & intentional to equip students for success.

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Student Registration



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QUESTIONS?
803-684-9916
or your child's school

Student Registration Now Open!

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION is for students who are new to York School District 1. The four-step process begins with online registration and concludes with a visit to the child's school to submit registration documentation. For more information and visit the [New Student Registration page](#).

RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION:

Returning students are required to complete registration each year. Returning Student Registration is completed entirely online and provides the district with updated contact information. For more information and to complete Returning Student Registration, [visit the Returning Student Registration page](#).

York One Teachers Are Learners!

Instruction Department has been hard at work planning a variety of professional development experiences for teachers. Sessions will be available in a variety of formats to meet the various needs of teachers, including face-to-face, virtual, and self-paced. This year teachers will have the opportunity to earn micro-credentials in addition to renewal credits. Teachers can sign up for professional learning opportunities via our online PD system Kick-Up!

ConnectED Conference October 9, 2023

York School District One's Teacher Forum is proud to present the ConnectED Conference designed for teachers by teachers! The conference will take place on October 9th and will be held at York Comprehensive High School. Teachers from across the district will present innovative ideas and student-centered learning practices to their colleagues. It's sure to be an exciting day of learning for all!

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MENU

FALL 2023

FORMATS

- In person:** These sessions take place at the YSD1 District Office at 3:15 PM and 4:15 PM
- Virtual:** These sessions take place through Microsoft Teams at 3:15 PM and 4:15 PM
- Self Paced:** These sessions are facilitated through our Instructional Technology Integration Resources Canvas Course. These sessions are on-demand and available for an allotted amount of time

AUGUST

- Aug 22:** Canvas Part 1: Course Information (in person)
- Aug 25:** Exact Path: Getting Started (self-paced)
- Aug 31:** Mastery Connect Part 1: Getting Started (Virtual)

SEPTEMBER

- Sept 7:** Fostering Independent Learners with Goal Setting (Virtual)
- Sept 14:** Mastery Connect Part 2: Building and Administering Assessments (in Person)
- Sept 19:** Canvas Part 2: Course Content and Accessibility (in person)
- Sept 28:** Exact Path: Using Data (virtual)

OCTOBER

- Oct 3:** Ways to Provide Student Choice (virtual)
- Oct 17:** Escaping The Emotional Tunnel: SEL for YOU & YOUR students (self-paced)
- Oct 19:** Mastery Connect Part 3: Reports and Data Driven Instruction (in person)

NOVEMBER

- Nov 28:** Canvas Part 3: Internal and External Tools (in person)
- Nov 30:** Mastery Connect Part 4: Creating Item Banks (virtual)



To register for a session click on Kick Up icon on your launchpad.

kickup

Microcredentials

Microcredential is a short, competency-based recognition that allows an educator to demonstrate mastery in a particular area. This year we will be offering a microcredential in Canvas & Mastery Connect

MICROCREDENTIALS: CANVAS

- August 22** Course Information
- September 19** Course Content & Accessibility
- November 28** Internal and External Tools
- February 27** Discussions, Rubrics, and FEEDBACK
- March 21** Old/New Quizzes, Mastery Connect



MICROCREDENTIALS: MASTERY CONNECT

- August 31** Getting Started
- September 14** Building and Administering Assessments
- October 19** Reports and Data Driven Instruction
- November 30** Creating Item Banks



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Community Connection

The Community Connection section of each newsletter will highlight community and business partnerships that support the goals and efforts of the district. Each time a different group of partners will be highlighted. Want your partnership featured? Email Dr. Latoya Dixon, Public Information Officer for York School District One at ldixon@york.k12.sc.us.

The Family Resource Center and [Parenting Partnerships](#) have been named a TOP 10 FINALIST for the Dick and Tunky Riley #WhatWorksSC® Award through [The Riley Institute at Furman](#)! The award is designed to call attention to exceptional public education programming in the state by awarding an outstanding evidence-based program that is positively impacting public education in South Carolina. YSD1 moves on to the final round where a winner and two finalists are selected by a national committee of corporate leaders and education experts.

York School District One is proud to partner with our local United Way organization. Our annual workplace fundraising campaign will soon begin! Proceeds help support the goals of the United Way and the school district. Funds from this campaign are used to provide a Microsoft Office Skills course for community members at minimal cost. What a great way for us to live out our YSD1 *Learn, Serve, and Give as ONE* motto!

The York Rotary Club has partnered with the school district to support early learning efforts. Proceeds from the rotary club's annual Beach Bash will be used to support a mobile classroom. This classroom on wheels will travel to local neighborhoods to help educate our earliest learners and families so students are ready when they enter our schools. Proceeds from the Rotary Foundation Grant will help us provide families with hands-on minds-on kits to keep learning going in the home where parents serve as their child's first teacher!

YSD1 has partnered with Affinity Health Center! Students and staff are invited to use this new [School Based Center](#) located at York Middle School, 1010 Devinney Rd (former Technology Center entrance). Open on Mondays, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM for students and staff. To learn more, check out their website or to make an appointment, call Local: (803) 909-6363, Toll-Free: (877) 647-6363, or email info@affinityhealthcenter.org.



Did You Know?

Did you know York School District One has a VIP Courtesy Pass Program for senior citizens? Senior Citizen passes are available to community members ages 60 and up who reside in the York School District One attendance zone, and for those who are retired employees of York School District One. Passholders are able to attend school-sponsored public events such as regular season ball games, plays, concerts, and other ticketed events. We hope to see you at the first home football game of the regular season on September 1st at 7:30 PM. For more information and details on how to get your VIP Courtesy Pass, be sure to connect with us on Facebook at York School District!

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