FOLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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Building update

The building is starting to come together, anytime you have a construction project, it never looks like everything is gonna get done, but it eventually all works out. The custodians have worked hard to clean areas that are finished and turned back over to us. We will be working this week to get as much back in place as possible before teacher arrive next week.

Hiring update

We are in the process of finishing some EA hiring that should hopefully be done in the next day or so, which will have the high school fully staffed.

Back to school

The building has been much more lively the past week as fall sports have started up. Next Wednesday August 27th is our open house. That is always a great and exciting day for everyone. The anticipation of the new year and the energy in the building is exciting.

Read Act update

As part of the Read Act that was passed in the Legislature a year ago, schools need to screen students for characteristics of dyslexia or other reading struggles. At the high school we will be using what is called a "gated approach". This is a two step process where any student that was not proficient on their last MCA will be given the Star Assessment. This is the same assessment that FIS uses for screening. Any student that performs at the 20 percentile and lower will be assessed using the state required Capti ReadBasix. This is the only approved screener. The goal of this is to get the correct support to those students that are showing signs of struggling with reading.