

## Herrin Community Unit School District No. 4

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Herrin CUSD #4 Faculty and Staff:

Ready or not, here it comes! The 2023-2024 school year is one week away. I hope you're ready!

Last year was a great year for the district!! Herrin CUSD #4 continues to provide an excellent education to the students of our community. Just last week, I was at the Herrin Chamber of Commerce luncheon and Mayor Frattini was bragging to the Chamber members about the strength of our school district. Others in the Chamber also echoed his positive comments to me after the meeting. Later in the week, a parent called me to tell me how much she appreciated the support her children receive from our teachers, administration, and staff - WE are doing great things!!! I am excited to get this year going and see how much better we can do!!

We will start the year on *Monday, August 7, 2023*, with the first Teacher Institute Day for the year. <u>All district faculty and staff will meet at the high school at 8:05 a.m. for a breakfast meeting</u>. Panera breakfast items will be provided by the Bank of Herrin in the high school commons area. In addition to the breakfast, some district-wide information will be provided during that time. We will also take time to introduce the new faces in the district to everyone. Following the breakfast meeting, the HEA will meet at the junior high for a meeting. Lunch will be on your own from 11:00 - 12:00. The afternoon agenda will be set by building administrators.

Tuesday, August 8 will be an Institute Day as well. The agenda will be set by building administrators. Tuesday night will be open house throughout the district. The students' first day will be Wednesday, August 9, 2023. It will be an 11:30 dismissal for the district.

This year, we will maintain our focus on helping our students to achieve their maximum potential socially, academically, and personally. We must continue to adapt our practices to ensure we are reaching the students most effectively. This will come through good communication, positive attitudes, and good collaboration. We have great work to do! And we have great people that can get it done! I'm looking forward to working with you all once again to provide Herrin students with a great opportunity to grow and learn.

If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please stop by and talk with me or send me an email. I am here to help!

Sincerely,

Nathaniel L. Wilson Superintendent

Herrin CUSD #