

# FLI News

Future Leaders Institute Monthly Newsletter

*In This Issue...*

## MONTHLY CALENDAR

Always reference the calendar posted on the school's website for the most up-to-date info

## CURRICULUM SPOTLIGHT

Check out spotlights of what our students are currently learning as well as other important information.

## EXTENDED DAY SPOTLIGHT

Get a more in depth look at key components about our Extended Day program and the classes offered.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

The students are the center of it all. Hear all about what's happening at FLI from the perspective of our students.

## INSIDE THE COMMUNITY

Learn about FLI's core values, the foundation of our community, and how we will be celebrating throughout the school year.

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES

FLI wants to help fulfill any needs that you might have outside of the school community. This section will always communicate opportunities and resources offered in or around the neighborhood.



*Congratulations to the winners of our annual K-5 Spelling Bee!*



## GREETINGS FROM...

**Jody Flowers**  
**Principal**

Dear FLI Families,

Let me start off by thanking you for your unwavering support and dedication to our students and staff. We appreciate your commitment and the positive impact you have on our school community. We certainly could not do the work we do without your efforts.

We have a very packed June schedule, including completion of Benchmark 3 exams in the coming days, Spirit Week, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade senior trip, senior prom, and graduation. We can't forget our moving along events for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade and Kindergarten students. Please be sure to check out FLI's calendar and stay updated with our email blasts for more details related to the end of year events.

K-7 families, thank you for sending in your intent to return forms for the upcoming school year. We are already in full swing planning for next school year.

FLI's summer academy program will run July 7 - August 1, 8:00AM - 2:30PM each day. Please email [fliadmin@futureleadersinstitute.org](mailto:fliadmin@futureleadersinstitute.org) if you did not receive a sign up sheet and would like your child to attend.

Enjoy the warmer months in the days to come!

# FLI School Calendar

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1. [Click here for FLI's School Year Calendar - Website](#)

-Or-

2. Scan below for FLI School year calendar - FLI website



*This link or QR code will take you to [FLI's Calendar for the 2024-25 School Year](#). Dates are subject to change. Please use this calendar to plan ahead for the year when it comes to major school events, parent teacher conferences, school closures, major assessments and much much more.*

# FLI Monthly Calendar

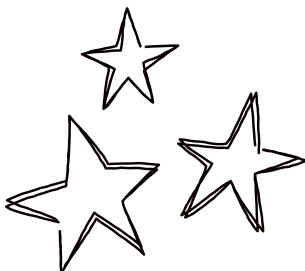
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*This link or QR code will take you to [FLI's Monthly Calendar](#) for the current month. This calendar will included the most up to date information with even more detail.*



# Curriculum Spotlight

*"Curriculum should help children have deeper and fuller understanding of their own experience."*

## ...STAY IN THE KNOW



Our fourth graders checking out the White House Oval Office at the Historical Museum.



### A Message From...

**Natalie Gonzalez**  
Assistant Principal of  
Curriculum & Instruction

Hi FLI families! During the month of June, we will be preparing for our end-of-year celebrations. Our kindergarten students will be performing at their moving along tea party which will take place in our interactive play space. Fifth grade students will be receiving awards and will be looking back at highlights from this school year during their moving along ceremony in the auditorium. Our graduating seniors will gather in the auditorium with all of their friends and families and will be awarded medals in the different subject areas and certificates for other academic and character recognitions. Eighth graders will also celebrate with their peers as they dance the night away at prom in the gymnasium. Congratulations to all!

### BOOK OF THE MONTH...

Eighth grade students are currently reading Warriors Don't Cry as part of their final English Language Arts unit: *Making a Mark on History*. The novel is a memoir, written by Melba Beals about her experience as one of the Little Rock Nine. The novel ends with the LR9 in their forties returning to their home state of Arkansas to meet the then-governor, Bill Clinton. However, the story primarily focuses on when Melba was twelve years old and the Supreme Court ruled that separate, segregated schools for whites were illegal. Melba and eight other brave black students volunteered to integrate into the previously all white Central High School. Students review the eighth grade standards as they read about what the Little Rock Nine experienced in their fight for equality.



### A LOOK AHEAD...

- **June 20<sup>th</sup>:** Kindergarten Moving Along Ceremony at 10:15 a.m.
- **June 23<sup>rd</sup>:** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation at 10:00 a.m.
- **June 25<sup>th</sup>:** 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Moving Along Ceremony at 12:00 p.m.
- **July 7<sup>th</sup> to August 1<sup>st</sup>:** Summer Academy



### MONTHLY SUBJECT FOCUS: ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Scholars in grades K to 5 learn the New York State Next Generation English Language Arts Learning Standards through the Core Knowledge Language Arts curriculum. Sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students learn the standards through the Fishtank Learning curriculum which is a novel-based curriculum.

Check out each grade's current unit of study:

**Kindergarten:** Kings and Queens

**First:** Astronomy

**Second:** Greek Myths

**Third:** Ecology

**Fourth:** Treasure Island

**Fifth:** Chemical Matter

**Sixth:** Fleeing Conflict: Refugee & Unwanted

**Seventh:** Abusing Power: Animal Farm

**Eighth:** Making a Mark on History: Warriors Don't Cry



# Extended Day Spotlight

*"Curriculum should help children have deeper and fuller understanding of their own experience."*

**...STAY IN THE KNOW**



## PERFORMERS

*We're All In This Together*

*K - 1<sup>st</sup> - Coach Ethel - Dance*

**Lilo & Stitch**

**2<sup>nd</sup> grade - Ms Regina & Ms. Basia - Dance**

*Summer in the 1950s*

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - Ms Regina & Ms Basia - Dance**

**90s Throwback**

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Ms Ashlee - Dance**

*Bucket Boombox*

**5<sup>th</sup> grade - Ms. Natia - Drumming**

**HYPE CREW**

**Middle School - Ms. Ashlee - Dance**

## REMINDERS

### Important Dates

- June 5<sup>th</sup> - Eid-al-Adha (No School)
- June 6<sup>th</sup> - No Extended Day
- June 12<sup>th</sup> - Last Day of Extended Day

### Pickup time is 4:45 PM for Extended Day

- Early pickup from Extended day ends at 4:15 PM. If you arrive after 4:15 PM you must wait till 4:45 PM.

### Attendance

- To keep your child's seat in the Extended Day program, your child must maintain at least a 90% attendance rate.

### A Message From....

Ms. Nadijah

Extended Day Manager



The time has come for us to come together to celebrate the hard work of our students. We look forward to seeing families at the last event of the year- our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Summer Vibes Showcase! Please join us at our final showcase of the school year as we celebrate all of the hard work that our students have put in throughout the entire school year.



# Student Spotlight

*"Developing the children of today to be the leaders of tomorrow."*

## ...LOOK WHO'S TALKING

This month's spotlight is on 8th Grade! We asked students, **"What advice do you have for younger students?"**



*My advice is to stay to yourself, get your work done on time and be a leader for others.*

**Serenity**



*To be successful you have to stay focused on being in school and doing your school work with effort.*

**Xavier**



*Don't be influenced by people you won't meet again. Live with a positive circle around you where you have a safe space to grow.*

**Salimatou**

*My advice to younger students is to be a leader, not a follower.*



**Dennis**

*Don't overthink things and stress yourself out. Do something positive for yourself and be in it for you.*



**Fatou**

*You can't worry about what others think. Remove yourself from bad situations and don't play in the hallway.*



**Josiah**



**Keysha**

*Be sure to really focus; if you don't, it will eventually backfire. If you don't take every opportunity, you'll miss out.*



**Zahir**

*To be successful, you have to pay attention in class and avoid getting involved in unnecessary stuff.*



**Melania**

*My advice for younger students is to always put in your full effort and don't procrastinate! Get everything done early.*

# Inside the Community

## COMMUNITY AND VALUES...

*"Teach the child,  
not just the curriculum"*



### FLI Monthly Core Value Recipients

Each month FLI teachers and students vote to nominate one student from each class that exemplifies the core value of the month. Below are the students who were nominated for May's core value of Leadership:

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>K:</b> Maryettu T.     | <b>6A:</b> King M.        |
| <b>1:</b> Emily S.        | <b>6B:</b> Alejandra G-M. |
| <b>2:</b> Channing J.     | <b>7A:</b> Kylie J.       |
| <b>3:</b> King U.         | <b>7B:</b> Chelsea T.     |
| <b>4:</b> Abigail V.      | <b>8A:</b> Serenity M.    |
| <b>5A:</b> Charlenskey M. | <b>8B:</b> Zahir R.       |
| <b>5B:</b> Ian C.         |                           |

### FUTURE LEADERS INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL

#### CORE VALUES

**Leadership**

**Compassion**

**Responsibility**

**Respect**

**Effort**

**Truth**

### Community Circles

Each month FLI hosts both a lower and middle school community circle organized by the school guidance counselors, reading specialist and school deans. Community Circle embodies the style of a true morning meeting where as a group we take part in a greeting, share and activity. This month we focused on the core value of Leadership. We played a big round of Simon Says with both grade clusters and they showed off their leadership skills!

### May Perfect Attendance - Honorees

While FLI wants to honor all recipients of May's Perfect Attendance accomplishment, there are just too many to fit on the page! Checkout the recipients on our website!

# Community Resources

## OFFERINGS IN AND AROUND HARLEM



### FUTURE LEADERS IS HERE TO HELP AND SUPPORT

FLI wants to help fulfill any needs that you might have outside of the school community. This section will always communicate opportunities, resources and school needs offered in or around the neighborhood. Also, please let us know if you come across any resources available for us to share.

INSTAGRAM - ARE YOU FOLLOWING US?! [\*\*fli\\_charter\\_school\*\*](#)



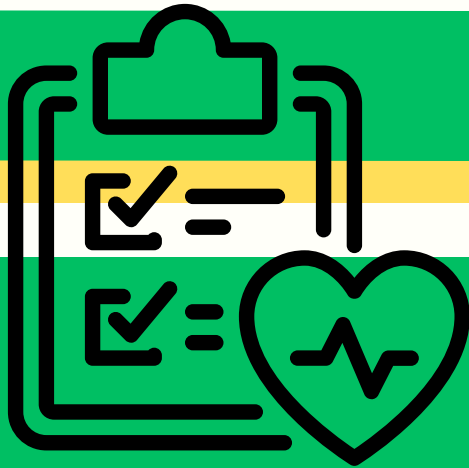
Follow FLI's instagram account to catch all the fun that is taking place inside the school community and show us your love!

### Other Resources

**Keep scrolling to find the following information/resources:**

- Important Health Reminders
- Uniform Sales
- Job Opportunity
- Summer EBT eligibility

# Community Resources



## IMPORTANT HEALTH REMINDERS

### TIPS ON STAYING HEALTHY DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR

As we push through the winter months, illness is inevitable! Please review the following guidelines to assure we are doing everything possible to maintain and protect the health and well-being of the community at large.

#### [NYC DOE - TIPS TO STAYING HEALTHY](#)

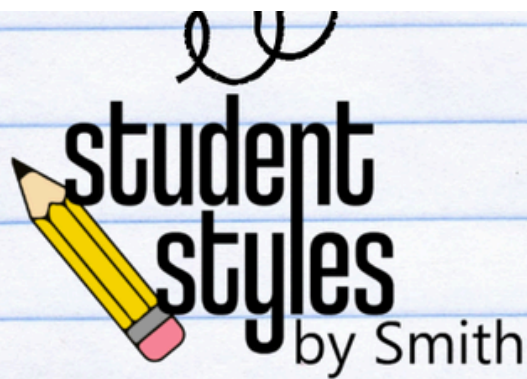
##### School Nurse

- The School Nurse is not a doctor
- The nurse will not be able to diagnose illnesses or provide medication for any illness unless a 504 has been submitted
- The nurse can only check vitals and provide recommendations or next steps

##### Main Guidelines

- If your child is sick keep them home!!! Remember to email [fliattendance@futureleadersinstitute.org](mailto:fliattendance@futureleadersinstitute.org) with any updates
- Assure that your child is consistently washing their hands or using hand sanitizer
- Reinforce having your child cover their coughs and sneezes with the back of their elbows
- Encourage your child to increase their water intake
- Assure your child is dressed for the weather





# EARLY BIRD SALE

**15% OFF UNIFORMS  
CODE: SUMMER15**

**JUNE 15<sup>th</sup> through JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>  
instore and online**

**[www.yourstudentstyles.com](http://www.yourstudentstyles.com)**

\*MILITARY RENTALS EXCLUDED

\*CANNOT BE COMBINED WITH ANY OTHER DISCOUNTS OR BUNDLES



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★ FRESH DAIRIES ★



# We Are HIRING

TRAINING WILL TAKE PLACE IN NEWARK, NJ.

TEMP. TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROVIDED

## OPEN POSITIONS



**Jamaica, Queens**

✓ **Dispatcher w/ CDL A (Various Shifts Avail.)**

- \$25 to \$30 per hour
- 2-3 yrs of dispatch experience required

✓ **CDL Drivers (AM/PM Shifts Avail.)**

- CDL Class A: \$30/hr with 1 yr experience
- CDL Class B: \$27/hr with 1 yr experience
- CDL Apprentice: \$24/hr
- Performance Bonuses up to \$10k/yr

**ELIGIBLE BENEFITS FOR ALL POSITIONS**

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**HIRING** *Event*

**Workforce 1**

168-46 91<sup>st</sup> Ave, 2nd Fl, Jamaica NY 11432

**JUNE 25<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**10 AM - 1PM**







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# ESTAMOS CONTRATANDO

ENTRENAMIENTO SE LLEVARÁ A CABO EN NEWARK, NJ.

ASISTENCIA DE TRANSPORTE TEMPORAL  
PROPORCIONADA

## PUESTOS VACANTES

☒ **Despachador con CDL A (varios turnos disp.)**

- \$25 a \$30 por hora
- Se requiere 2 años de exp. en despacho

☒ **Conductores/Aprendices con CDL A/B  
(Turnos AM/PM disp.)**

- CDL Clase A: \$30/hora con 1 año de exp.
- CDL Clase B: \$27/hora con 1 año de exp.
- Aprendiz CDL: \$24/hora
- Bonos de rendimiento de hasta \$10,000/año

**BENEFICIOS ELEGIBLES PARA TODOS LOS PUESTOS**

**TIEMPO PAGADO:** VACACIONES, ENFERMEDAD Y DÍAS FERIADOS

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**Jamaica, Queens**

## EVENTO *de Contratación*

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**JUN. | 25 | 2025**

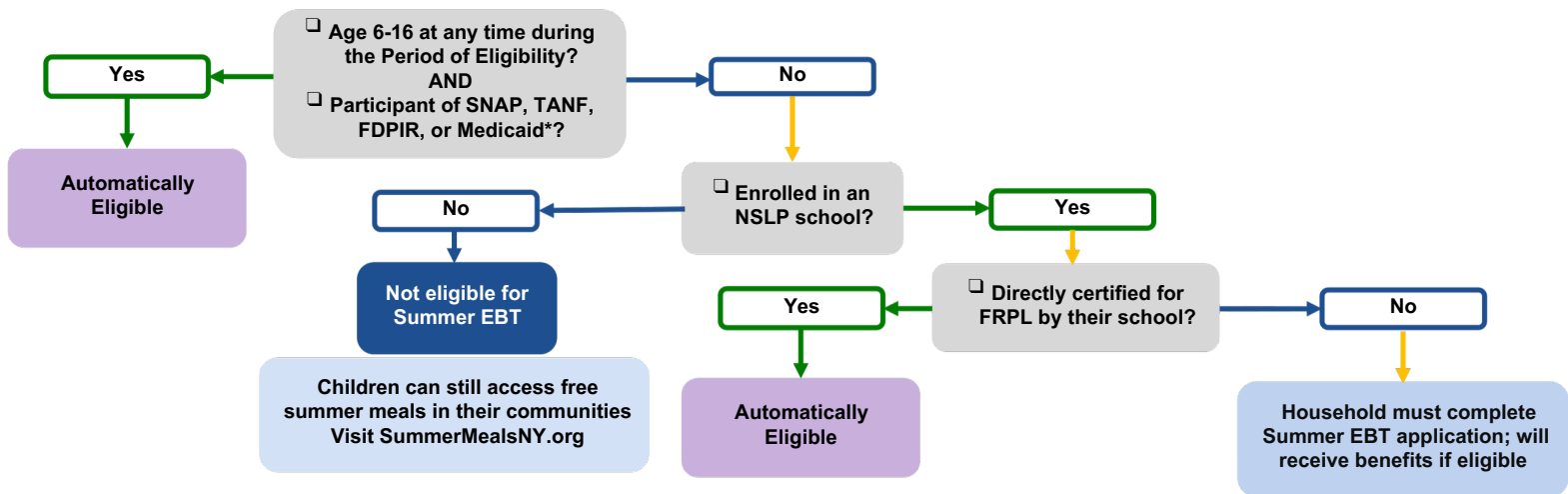
**10 AM - 1 PM**



# Is My Child Eligible for Summer EBT 2025?

Answer the following questions to find out.

Is the child...



- FDPIR-Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
- FRPL-Free and Reduced-Price Lunch-A child's FRPL eligibility is established based on their participation in SNAP, TANF, FDPIR,or Medicaid\*, or if they are homeless, migrant, runaway, foster, enrolled in Head Start or an eligible pre-kindergarten program, or through an income application. The New York State Education Department collects this student level data through the Student Information Repository System (SIRS) or the Information and Reporting Services Data Exchange (IDEx), which is then transferred to the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance.
- NSLP-National School Lunch Program
- Period of Eligibility-July 1, 2024, to September 4, 2025.
- SNAP-Supplemental Nutrition Program
- TANF-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- \*Medicaid-Limited to certain Medicaid-eligible children with household income at or below 185% of poverty before application of blocks, disregards, or exceptions.