

July 28, 2009

Dear Families,

We welcome students on Wednesday, August 26th, for the first day of school.

The school day begins at 8:35 a.m. and attendance will be taken promptly. **Breakfast and lunch will be served on the first day.** Full price lunch for students is \$1.60 and full price breakfast is \$1.10. The reduced price lunch is 40¢ and **students approved for reduced price will receive breakfast at no charge this year.** The price for lunch for adults is \$3.10 and for breakfast \$2.10. Jean Trautner is returning as head cook and Wendy Howard will return as food service manager and assistant cook. All school meals **must be prepaid** (no credit will be extended.) Eligibility for free and reduced meals from last year continues through the first 30 days of this school year or until a new application is received.

If you have any questions regarding bussing you may call the school (326-4618) or your child's bus driver. If your child(ren) are the only ones at the bus stop, please call the bus driver by 6:45 a.m. when your child will not be riding the bus that morning.

Drivers: Lois/Roger Chauvin (326-4758), Ken Cota (326-2000 or 326-4625)

We welcome Lindsay Cleary-Waldman as our new guidance counselor. She will work at our school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Mrs. Kristina Bowen will teach all day kindergarten. Mrs. Crystal Johnson will teach first grade, Mrs. Natalie Bruzzi second grade and Mrs. Sandra Knapp third grade. Mrs. Rapoport will be the homeroom teacher for grade four and Mr. Ward for grade five. Ms. Susan Zeineth-Collins, Mr. Steve Moran and Ms. Sara Caldwell will be the teachers for grades six, seven and eight. Minor schedule changes have been made for students in grades five through eight, which will be explained the first week of school.

I would like parents, students and teachers to remember the dress code when preparing for school. A copy is printed on the reverse of this letter for your convenience and it is included in both student and staff handbooks.

Please carefully review the handbook that will be sent home on the first day of school for information on other changes. Several forms need to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible. We look forward to the start of a new year and working with all of you.

Sincerely,

Beth F. O'Brien

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P.S. If your child is new to our 6th, 7th or 8th grade this year, he/she will be in:

- _____ Ms. Zeineth-Collin's homeroom
- _____ Ms. Caldwell's homeroom
- _____ Mr. Moran's homeroom

Dress Code

Students and staff must recognize that brief or revealing clothing is not appropriate apparel in school. Students and staff shall NOT wear:

Halter tops and garments with spaghetti straps or strapless garments.

Garments that are see-through, cut low to show cleavage, expose one's midriff or back area. Tops must fit closely under the arm.

Skirts or shorts, which are shorter than the ends of your fingertips when your arms hang freely from your sides.

Clothing which exposes undergarments.

Clothing that displays vulgar, offensive, obscene, or demeaning language.

Clothing that displays drug and alcohol messages.

Clothing that displays messages that are sexually suggestive or provocative.

Head coverings, including bandanas, hats, or scarves, except for a religious or health purpose.

Consequences for Students

Violators will be required to alter inappropriate clothing on the spot or be subject to being sent home.

Approved: August 6, 2003