



Parents NEWSLETTER

September 2024

We Are Strong And Better Together!

PBIS Expectations

R- Respect

O- Ownership

A- Act Safe

R- Responsible

"Through SEL and PBIS, we teach not only academic skills but also essential life skills, preparing students for success in school and beyond."

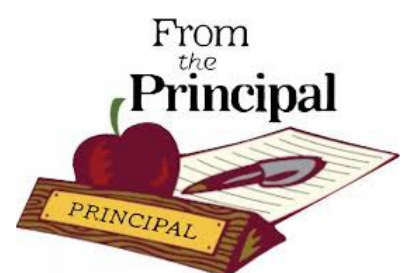


From Ms. Rivera's Desk

These first few weeks at school have been a wonderful experience. We get to know each other a little more each day and become more united as a group until we end up being one big family. Parents, we ask that you continue to support us as you have done up until now. This is a team effort, and we are called to have a successful year, but we need your support. Remember to check your children's backpacks daily, in which they have a red folder that contains important information and homework.

Thank you for allowing us to be your children's mentors in the world of education.

Mrs. Rivera
Principal



Social Emotional Learning

"All kids need is
a little help,
a little hope,
and someone
who believes in them."

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What's Happening in Our Building!

2024 September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 No School	3	4	5 In School Assembly (Only Students)	6	7
8	9 First Day of GSRP SST- All Day	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 SST- All Day	24	25 Attendance Committee Meeting	26	27	28
29	30					

Updates

Labor Day

- No School on that day.

In-School Assembly

- Our first In-School Assembly will be held on Thursday, September 5th at 2:45 pm.
- This will be a brief welcome to the school year, a discussion of ROAR Expectations, and an overview of awards that can be achieved throughout the year.
- This is an assembly for students and staff.

Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)

- September 9th will be the first day of school for our preschoolers.
- Remember, preschoolers come to school Monday- Thursday. No school on Fridays.

Reminders

Arrival

- Starts at 8:00 a.m.
- Make sure scholars are not dropped before 8:00 a.m. as there is no supervision until 8:00 a.m.
- General Ed scholars enter via door E.
- Special Ed scholars enter via door C.
- Pre-school scholars enter via door B.

Dismissal

- Starts at 3:28 p.m.
- Parents picking up students must stay in their vehicles until their child/children are directed to exit through door E.
- Please wait outside door A until scholars exit for walkers.
- Please ensure that students are picked up on time for dismissal. The main office should not hold scholars after dismissal time (3:28 p.m.)

Parent Concerns

- Please inform the main office if you have any concerns about your child/children.
- Please do not confront another child/children who are not yours, as it sends the wrong message to the students.
- The safety of all children is our responsibility.

Breakfast and Lunch Menu for September

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GRPS K-5 and K-8 Schools

Breakfast

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 No School	3 • Mini Confetti Pancakes • Peaches, Canned • Fruit Juice	4 • Pancake & Sausage Sandwich • Banana • Fruit Juice	5 • Banana Bread • Pineapple, canned • Fruit Juice	6 • Yogurt • Cereal Bar-Trix • Raisins • Fruit Juice
9 • Crescent Roll w/ Grape Jelly • Apple Crisps • Fruit Juice	10 • French Toast Sticks • Dried Pineapple • Fruit Juice	11 • Breakfast Pizza-Sausage Gravy • Orange • Fruit Juice	12 • Pancake Wrap • Mixed Fruit • Fruit Juice	13 • Cereal, Variety • Chocolate Chip Oatmeal Bar • Dried Fruit, MixZees • Fruit Juice
16 • Strudel Stick • Applesauce • Fruit Juice	17 • Scrambled Eggs • Apple Cinnamon Muffin • Craisins • Fruit Juice	18 • Breakfast Wrap (Burrito) • Banana • Fruit Juice	19 • Cinnamon Pancakes • Pears, canned • Fruit Juice	20 • UBR, Ultimate Breakfast Round • Mandarin Oranges • Fruit Juice
23 • Mini Maple Waffles • Apple Crisps • Fruit Juice	24 • Egg Bites • Cereal Bar-Cocoa Puffs • Pears, canned • Fruit Juice	25 • Mini French Toast, Trix • Banana • Fruit Juice	26 • Cereal, Variety • Bug Bites • Mixed Berry Cup, Frozen • Fruit Juice	27 • Caramel Mini • Sour Raisins • Fruit Juice
30 • Cereal, Variety • Nutri-Grain Bar • Dried Fruit, MixZees • Fruit Juice	1	2	3	4

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Lunch

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 No School	3 • Orange Chicken • Vegetable Fried Rice • Cooked Broccoli • Grape Tomatoes	4 • Chicken Drumstick • Mashed Potatoes • Chicken Gravy • Cole Slaw • Peach Cup • Cornbread Loaf	5 • Mini Corn Dogs • Sweet Potato Puff • Tossed Salad Romaine • Lettuce Grape Tomatoes • Sliced Apples	6 • Pepperoni Stick • Corn • Sugar Snap Peas • Pears, canned
9 • Chicken Nuggets • Tater Tots • Baby Carrots • Applesauce	10 • Teriyaki Dippers • Fresh Broccoli • Veggie Juice - Paradise Punch • Flame Roasted Apples • Waffle Snaps	11 • Macaroni & Cheese • PEAS & CARROTS • Tossed Salad Romaine • Lettuce Grape Tomatoes • Dinner Roll • Banana	12 • Shredded Taco Chicken • Cheese, Cheddar Shredded • Romaine Lettuce • Diced Tomatoes • Pinto Beans, Texas Ranchero • Tortilla • Fritos • Mixed Berry Cup, Frozen	13 • Pizza Crunchers • Green Pepper Strips • Marinara Sauce Cup • Pears, canned
16 • Meatloaf • Maple Roasted Sweet Potatoes • Sugar Snap Peas • Cheez-Its • Peach Cup	17 • Fiestada Beef Pizza • Baja/Taco Fiesta Black Beans • Veggie Juice - Paradise Punch • Pears, fresh	18 • Cheezy Breadsticks • Cooked Broccoli • Marinara Sauce Cup • Strawberry Cup	19 • General Tso Dumplings, Chicken & Vegetable • Egg Roll, Chicken • Sidekick - Cherry Freeze • Sliced Apples • Fortune Cookie	20 • Tater Tots • Beef Taco Meat • Cheese Sauce • Salsa, Red Gold • Pineapple, canned • Goldfish Graham-Cinnamon
23 • Honey BBQ Rib Patty • Pretzel Bun • Sidewinders Potatoes • Baby Carrots • Mixed Fruit	24 • Penne Alfredo • Cooked Broccoli • Tossed Salad Romaine • Lettuce Grape Tomatoes • Peaches, Canned • Garlic Toast	25 • Turkey Burger • Hamburger Bun, Whole Grain • Roasted Red Potatoes • Celery • Frozen Juice Cup • President's Crackers	26 • Beef Taco Meat • Cheese, Cheddar Shredded • Vegetarian Refried Beans • Diced Tomatoes • Tortilla • Doritos-Wild White Nacho • Sliced Apples	27 • Cheese Omelet • Hash Brown Rounds • Veggie Juice - Paradise Punch • Orange • Banana Muffin
30 • Chicken Tenders • Potato Wedges, Spicy • Celery • Mandarin Oranges	1	2	3	4

Important Phone Numbers


Mrs. Mateo (Main Office): 616-819-2505
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Mr. Kraal (Health Aide): 616-819-1699
Ms. Birdsall (MDHHS): 616-819-3834
Ms. Collins (KSSN): 616-819-2585
Security: 616-819-2100
District Offices: 616-819-2000



Resources for Families

Reading At Home


can make a huge difference!




Make Reading A Part Of Your Family Time!

Family time is so important... Why not make reading a part of this valuable time with your kids? Here are some tips for integrating reading into our daily family activities:

- Read bedtime stories
- Play a board game
- Visit your local library
- Read a recipe and cook something yummy together!
- Create a comfy reading space in your home.
- Put your child in charge of reading the grocery list at the store.






Choose Appropriate Reading Levels For Your Child


- Use the five finger rule. Open the book to any page and ask your child to read. Put up a finger every time your child does not know a word. If you have put up more than five fingers before the end of the page, this book is too hard for your child.
- Choose books that match your child's likes and interests.

10-15 minutes is plenty for a beginning reader!




How To Read With A Beginning Reader:

- Encourage your child to use his/her finger to point to each word.
- Read a sentence and have your child repeat it.
- Take turns reading a sentence each or a page each.
- Talk about the story as you read it. What do you think will happen next? What does this story remind you of? How do you think this character feels?
- Don't be afraid to read the same book again! Repeated reading helps build reading fluency!



Check For Understanding

- ✓ Start the book by making predictions. What do you think will happen in this story?
- ✓ Ask questions and make comments during the reading process.
- ✓ After reading a book, have your child tell you the events from the story in the correct order.
- ✓ What was the problem in this story?
- ✓ How did the character feel when...?
- ✓ Encourage your child to make connections. Does this story remind you of another book you read, an event in your life, a movie?



Keep plenty of reading materials in your home:

books, magazines, newspapers, and comic books. Children enjoy having a variety of reading materials!

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