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Welcome Back to the 2022-2023 school year!

I hope you all had a wonderful summer, enjoying the weather and family time, and are ready to be back for another exciting school year!

We have many things in store for our families and students throughout the 2022-2023 school year and I am excited to be able to begin this year as "normal" without any Covid-19 protocols or restrictions!

A few information items for you as we return; the first day back for students will be Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. We will be hosting a Meet the Staff evening on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30pm. You are welcome to bring your child to tour the school, meet the staff, see their classroom, and partake in some refreshments. We also encourage you to bring their school supplies and help to set them up and find their desks so that they are more comfortable on Wednesday morning. Our new Vice Principal, Mr. Jerome Chabot, is also looking forward to meeting families and students.

We are still receiving new registrations and class lists are being finalized. Classes will be available on Parent Portal on the afternoon of August 30<sup>th</sup> so you know who to look for at the Meet the Staff Evening. We will have returning faces as well as some new faces on staff!

We will continue to use the separate entrances for arrival and dismissal for each grade level. For Pre-K and Kindergarten, **after the staggered entry days**, Pre-K students will meet at the north facing wall off the bus lanes and then will come in with the Pre-K staff. Kindergarten students will be picked up off the bus and taken around back to their door by their teachers.

For the first day and the rest of the school year:

Grade 1's will enter in the west facing doors off the bus lane.

Grade 2's will enter the north facing doors just off the parent pick up area.

Grade 3's will enter the east facing doors at the back of the school off the playground.

Grade 4's will enter in the community doors on the front side of the building.

Any students who arrive after our busses leave, can come in the front doors and will need to sign in with Mrs. Uchacz or Ms. Sketchley in the front office.

On the first day of school, if your child is feeling anxious, you are welcome to walk your child to their classroom door, give them a big hug and wish them a great first day. I ask that you do not stay longer than a few minutes as our staff like to establish routines as quickly as possible. For pick up at the end of the day, please meet your child in the parent pick up zone off the parking lot by the green benches. Students will be dismissed at 3:00pm and staff will be bringing our younger students out to the busses and to the pick-up zone to meet you. To ensure the safety of all our students, students will ONLY be released to parents at 3:00pm when staff bring them out of the building to the parent pick up zone. If you are picking up your child prior to the end of the day, please inform the office and we will call them down to meet you in the office. Students will not be released by teachers to parents within the school at classroom doors or in hallways.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to give me a call or send me an email. I am so excited to see everyone and their smiling faces at the Meet the Staff night and the first day of school!

See you soon!

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