



August 23, 2019

Dear RPSA Families,

Welcome to the new school year. We wanted to update all families on a few things so everyone gets off to a great start.

FIRST DAY

School doors will officially open on Monday, August 26th at 7:30am. Students may not be dropped off before 7:30am. All students should report to the gym after putting items in their lockers.

Kindergarten students will be ready for pick up beginning at 3:20 each day. The rest of the students will exit the building at 3:25 (2:00 on Wednesdays). Please plan to meet your child outside each day.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH COSTS AND PROCEDURES

- A full price meal will cost \$2.00 for breakfast and \$3.50 for lunch.
- Students who qualify for a reduced price meal will pay .30 cents for breakfast and .40 cents for lunch.
- All school meal costs must be paid at the school office. Teachers may not accept breakfast and lunch money.
- Breakfast and lunch will be served in classrooms this year.
- Students may not bring fast food or have lunch delivered to the school.
- If a cold lunch is not brought from home at the beginning of the school day a hot lunch must be ordered.

SCHOOL SNACK AND TREAT POLICY

The complete policy can be found in the updated school handbook on the website. Families should be aware of changes which include:

- Treats with frosting will not be permitted for special occasions such as birthdays. This includes cakes and cupcakes.
- ONLY water will be allowed during the school day, except during lunch when a healthy drink may be part of a cold lunch.
 - Students may not bring coffee drinks, smoothies or sports drinks to school.
- Students may not bring breakfast from home. Only school provided breakfast may be eaten at school.

Other recommendations are included in the full policy in the handbook.

CONSTRUCTION HAS STARTED!

The parking lot expansion has started and fencing is up to start the building expansion! The parking lot expansion may be accessible by the first day of school with a gravel base. The asphalt will be laid within a week.

Please note there are several NO PARKING spots at the north end of the building to allow construction vehicle access. Please only park in designated parking spots so contractors have access to the construction site at all times.



DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURES

It is essential that families follow the traffic flow for drop off and pick up. Please remember the following:

DURING DROP OFF

- Students may get out of the car anywhere along the sidewalk.
- Students may only be dropped off from a car in the drop off lane, not the drive through lane.
- Families who choose to park MUST walk their child through the crosswalk. STUDENTS MAY NOT BE IN THE PARKING LOT UNATTENDED.

- Students must be in their classrooms by 8:00am. This means students must be dropped off with enough time to allow them to get to class by 8:00am.
 - STUDENTS WHO ARRIVE AT OR AFTER 8:00am MUST BE SIGNED IN AT THE OFFICE BY AN ADULT.

DURING PICK UP

- **Parents that arrive before 3:15 must park their car in a parking spot and may not park in the pick up loop prior to 3:15.**
- Teachers stay with students until 4:00. Traffic slows down significantly after 3:40. PLEASE CONSIDER COMING TO PICK UP BETWEEN 3:40-4:00.
- Students must wait with their teacher. Students may not join siblings in other classes.
- DO NOT PARK IN A NON-DESIGNATED SPOT, IN THE FIRE LANE OR IN THE BUS PICK UP ZONE.

TOYS AND TRADING CARDS

Students may not bring personal items such as toys, stuffed animals or trading cards from home. Students should not have such items in their backpacks and will not be allowed to take them outside for recess. If your child's classroom has a time for "show and tell" then that item may be brought in for the day and kept in the student's locker or classroom until it is time to share such an item. The item may not be played with before school or during recess. Please check your child's backpack on occasion to ensure there are not toys or cards coming to school.

REQUIRED PAPERWORK

Every student will bring home a back to school paperwork packet on Monday. Please return all completed paperwork to the office as soon as possible. The deadline to complete paperwork is Thursday, August 29. If you need assistance please contact the office.