



Friendly Reminders

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I can't believe I am starting my eleventh year at DES! The first few days have been great! Teachers and students are getting to know each other and are learning the different routines in the classrooms. Here are some reminders of the different overall school procedures.

- It is so important for the safety of your child that we know your child's exact after school routine. **Please send in a note with your child if there is a change in his/her daily dismissal and/or the person picking up. If the change takes place during school hours, please call the office before 1:45 p.m.**
- If you are transporting your child to school in the morning, please arrive in plenty of time so that your child has time for breakfast and will be in his/her classroom, ready to learn, at 7:30 a.m. If you are going to stop and talk with the duty person or come inside, please park along the outside of the parking lot. If you are just going to drop your child off, please make it as quick as possible as our buses need to be able to move around the loop.
- Since our students go out to recess, love climbing on our playground equipment, and are active in kickball, tag, and other movement games, students should not wear flip-flops to school. It is written in our student handbook, which was sent home this week. We want our students to be both active and safe as they move around our entire school. Students will have physical education classes on Wednesday and should be wearing sneakers.
- If your child is absent or is going to be tardy to school, please call the main office in the morning to let us know.
- **Please check your child's backpack each night, as there are important papers that come home, along with homework assignments and "Just Right Books."**
- As mosquito season does not end until late October, please remember to apply bug spray before your child leaves the house. When dressing in the morning, please try to dress in layers.
- Research says that keeping hydrated is an essential part of a healthy lifestyle and helps in learning. Students may have water bottles (with only water in them) on their desks throughout the day. If this is something you would like to do, please put your child's name in permanent marker on the water bottle and it can stay at school.
- Many times, students will leave pieces of clothing or items behind throughout the school. It would be helpful if families would initial or write a name on those items that tend to be left behind (sweatshirts, jackets, hats, gloves).

It is a pleasure to be the principal of DES! I know we are going to have a fantastic year!

Next week's Menu

Monday—NO SCHOOL

Tuesday—Breakfast-Breakfast to Go bag; Lunch—Mozzarella Sticks, Marinara Sauce, Carrots Garden Salad, Fruit and Milk

Wednesday—Breakfast-Breakfast to Go bag; Lunch—Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Italian Blend Veggies, Wheat Dinner Roll, Garden Salad, Fruit and Milk

Thursday—Breakfast-Breakfast to Go bag; Lunch—Baked Chicken Tenders, Dipping Sauce, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Fruit and Milk

Friday—Breakfast-Breakfast to Go bag; Lunch—Pizza, Sweet Peas, Garden Salad, Fruit and Milk

ALTERNATE LUNCH CHOICES: Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich

Menu is subject to change without notice

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PTO News

Our September meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 8th at 4:30 p.m.** This meeting will focus on setting our events calendar for the year and organize tasks and responsibilities for the upcoming PTO Pancake Breakfast on **Saturday, September 12th!**

Upcoming Events

9/7 Labor Day, No School!

9/8 PTO Meeting 4:30 p.m.—Please join us!

9/12 PTO Pancake Breakfast—Grange Fair Day
7:30-9:30 a.m.—DES Multi-purpose Room
\$6.00 Adults/ \$4.00 Children

9/22 **Book Fair & Open House**

Book Fair opens at 6:00 p.m.

Parents in classrooms for 6:30 p.m. presentation

This year children will stay in the MPR for a movie while parents meet with their classroom teacher

9/23 **EARLY RELEASE**

Student dismissal at noon—No Project Promise but the TTCC is open

9/28 PICTURE DAY

Congratulations to our summer readers who passed in their reading log....we celebrated the following students at lunch on Thursday

Curtis Seymour, Matthew Moran, Ricky Moran, Tess Sumner, Devon Towne, Makenna Tullar, and Macaelyn Hamilton