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September 9, 2022

Dear School 9 Families,

What a wonderful start to the school year! Every morning I schedule phone calls and emails with upcoming events, important information or reminder of policies. If you are not receiving these daily announcements, either as phone calls or emails, please contact the school.

We encourage students to **bring reusable water bottles** to school. We have filtered water fountains for their use in refilling their bottles. We are supporting an environmentally conscious atmosphere.

Below is a list of important information and reminders:

- **Open House**
- **Arrival, Attendance & Lateness**
- **Extended Learning Time (ELT) 3:15 PM – 4:00 PM**
- **Early Dismissal – Cut off is 1:30 PM**
- **Parent Request for Child to NOT take the Bus**
- **Dress Code & Cell Phones**
- **Change in Address, Phone Number or Emergency Contacts**

Open House

Our Open House is scheduled for Thursday, September 22, 2022:

PreK – 2nd grade – 5:00 PM to 6:15 PM

- 5:00 PM – 5:15 PM – Meet and greet in the cafeteria
- 5:20 PM to 6:15 PM – Visit your child's classroom and meet the Special teachers

3-6 grade – 6:00 PM to 7:15 PM

- 6:00 PM – 6:15 PM – Meet and greet in the cafeteria

- 6:20 PM – 7:15 PM – Visit your child’s classroom and meet the Special Teachers

Arrival, Lateness & Regular Attendance

The earliest we can receive children at School 9 is **8:20 AM**. This is when an adult is available to supervise the students.

Any student entering the building after **8:45 AM** is late.

Attendance at the elementary level encourages good learning habits, study skills and responsibility. Regular attendance is expected and will be monitored.

Extended Learning Time (ELT) 3:15 PM to 4:00 PM

All students stay after-school until 4:00 PM unless a parent/guardian provides a letter indicating that they will be picking up the child at 3:15 PM, and by whom.

The Thespian Arts Program (TAP) have partnered with the school to offer classes such as:

- Improv
- Acting
- Vocals
- Dance/Drumming
- Creative Writing
- Stretching & Breathing Techniques
- Cultural Awareness

In addition, we use this extended learning time to target student skills and allow for homework help.

Early Dismissal – Cut off is 1:30 PM

Parents must send a written request for a child to be picked up, and by whom, between the hours of 9 AM and 1:30 PM, and only when necessary. This request can be sent to Mr. Jimenez at jjimenez1@yonkerspublicschools.org and Dr. Yazurlo at myazurlo@yonkerspublicschools.org. Only parent/guardians or emergency contacts can pick up a child – this will be verified before any child is released.

We will be monitoring excessive requests.

Parent Request for Child to NOT take the Bus

If you do not want your child to take the bus on any particular day(s), this must be submitted, in writing, (note or email) to the Main Office no later than 11 AM to Mr. Jimenez – jjimenez1@yonkerspublicschools.org and Dr. Yazurlo – myazurlo@yonkerspublicschools.org.

Dress Code & Cell Phones

Clothing must be appropriate for school. You may refer to the Yonkers Public School Code of Conduct, page 19 for further information. This includes jeans without multiple holes, skirts an inch above the knee, shirts that cover the stomach and do not have profanity or discriminatory language. Footwear that is a safety hazard, such as flip-flops, is not allowed.

Cell phones are a distraction in the classroom and are expected to be away in a child's bookbag and not out during school hours.

Change in Address, Phone Number or Emergency Contacts

If you have not sent in your child's lunch form and emergency cards, please do so as soon as possible. Lunch forms support the funding of the school from New York State and Emergency cards allow us to get in contact with someone quickly to provide important information.

Any changes in address, phone number or emergency contacts, must be shared with Mr. Jimenez in writing – jjimenez1@yonkerspublicschools.org. Documentation is necessary for address changes.

Any questions please call the office or email me at myazurlo@yonkerspublicschools.org. It is a pleasure working for you and your children.



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