



North Dickinson Elementary School

Back-to-School Night
August 15, 2018
6:00 p.m.

Mr. Brian S. Gochenour, Principal

Welcome!

- Schedule of Tonight's Events
 - Introduction of Teachers, Staff, and Principal
 - Nurse Notes
 - Goals: Year Six
 - PTO Officers
 - Big Ticket Information Items
 - Teacher Presentations ~ Flexible Schedule
- Reminder of Tonight's Purpose
 - Meet Teacher, See Classroom, Learn About 2018-2019
 - Silence all electronic devices!

Staff Introductions

- Professional Staff
- Support Staff
 - Cafeteria/Lunch Account
 - New Students
 - Meal/Purchasing Restrictions
 - In communication from CASD about free and reduced lunch applications.
 - clitesj@carliseschools.org or 240-6800 x56123
- Office Staff
 - Notification of Medications and Allergies to Nurse
 - Transportation and Information Needs to Office
- Principal

When to keep your child home from school...

- Fever: A temperature over 100.0. Students need to remain home until they have been fever free (under 100.0) for 24 hours without the use of Tylenol or ibuprofen.
- Vomiting (unless a result of coughing)/Diarrhea (3 or more episodes): Students need to remain home until they have had no vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours.
- Head Lice: Students may return after being treated with lice shampoo and most of the nits have been removed. They must be checked by the school nurse before being allowed to return.
- Rash: Especially with fever or itching. If you have a doctor's note stating it is a "non-contagious rash," they may return if they are not too uncomfortable to focus on school.

When to keep your child home from school...

- Eyes: Eyes are sometimes swollen and irritated by allergens or virus. Because of the extremely contagious nature of Bacterial Pink Eye, we ask you to consult with your doctor before sending your child to school with these symptoms: Thick mucus or pus draining from eye, or if eye is red, puffy, itchy or painful. Your child can attend school 24 hours after starting medical treatment for bacterial Pink Eye.
- Severe Sore Throat/Cough: Especially with fever, or swollen glands in the neck. A frequent cough can be a distraction to the class.
- If you have any questions, feel free to call the nurse!

Medication Policy

(full policy available online)

- Prescription medications:
 - Must be in the prescription bottle with current date and the name of the student on the bottle.
 - A written order from the health care provider and a note from the parent stating how many days the medication is to be given must be completed. See the school nurse for the form or download from the health services website.
- Non-prescription medications:
 - Parents may send a non-prescription medication to school with their child provided it is kept in the nurse's office and is accompanied by a note from the parent requesting that it be given. The medication **MUST** be in its original container or packaging. No unlabeled tablets in envelopes or baggies will be given. Medications should not be sent with elementary students who ride a bus to school. This includes cough drops/throat lozenges!

Donations are always accepted!

- Clorox wipes
- Hand sanitizer
- Kleenex
- Underpants/socks

Goals: Year Six

Theme: “I am the Solution!”

- Theme will be directly taught to students through lessons with Mrs. Wiechelt, as well as through class meetings and expectation stations.
 - “Every action is a chance to make a (positive) difference.”
 - “How did you make a (positive) difference today?”
- Continuation: MTSS (RtII) for Behavior ~ SWPBS
 - Volume Levels for Classrooms, Common Areas and Hallway
 - Forms for specials teachers to communicate positives and negatives to classroom teachers.
 - Discipline referrals (leveled) for tracking of information.
 - Reflection Form
 - Teacher Form
 - Principal Form

PTO Information

- Introduction of PTO Officers
- Social Media
 - Facebook (“North Dickinson Elementary PTO”)
 - Twitter (@NDElementary)
- Small, “Hassle-Free” Fundraisers
 - Restaurant Nights
 - Butter Braids (?)
 - Box Tops
 - Giant A+ Rewards

PTO Information

- No Large Fundraiser again this year! 😊
 - We are able to continue to sustain for the 2018-2019 school year from our large Healthy Herd fundraiser two years ago and the addition of the very successful restaurant/Butter Braids events last year.
- For tonight's timing purposes, a budget outline will be sent to you in electronic format (for your vote yes/no).
 - This electronic survey will be sent to you the week of August 27th (.pdf documents and Microsoft Forms).
 - You will have a two week time period in which to submit/ask questions you may have about the budget.
 - You will then submit an electronic vote (yes/no) on whether to accept or not accept the budget, as prepared.

Big Ticket Information Items

- Big Ticket Item #1: Attendance
 - State Law mandates any absence not reported is classified as an unexcused/unlawful absence after three days.
 - Pink reminders from the office.
 - E-mails/attachments to Mrs. George must contain a signature.
 - Letters to parents sent in the following order (computer generated):
 - 1st Letter (concern) generated when days absent (excused/unexcused) equals 10% of the number of days we've been in school.
 - 2nd Letter (medical) generated after three more unexcused absences.
 - 3rd Letter (citation) generated after three more unexcused absences.

Big Ticket Information Items

- Big Ticket Item #2: Birthday Treats
 - All birthday treats will be handled in the classroom during the afternoon hours of the school day.
 - Treats should match up with allergy needs of the classroom.
 - Contact the teacher in advance (ideally 24-48 hours) of the treat day to schedule/work through any allergy information and logistics/schedule.

Big Ticket Information Items

- Big Ticket Item #3: Parent Drop-Off and Pick-Up
 - Single file line begins at stop line.
 - Cones (for cars)
 - Red Lines (for kids)
 - Morning → no earlier than 8:15 a.m.
 - Park and sign-in your child if you are dropping off later than 8:40 a.m.
 - Afternoon → can begin at 3:00 p.m.
 - We begin calling students at 3:20 p.m.
 - Diagram (.pdf) to be sent before the end of the week.

Big Ticket Information Items

- Big Ticket Item #4: New Elementary Schedule
 - All instructional time remains the same.
 - Small increase in recess times.
 - K through 3rd: 25 minutes at lunch (versus 15).
 - 4th – 5th: 20 minutes at lunch (versus 15).
 - Specialists in building all day, no travel.
 - Morning: 3rd – 5th
 - Afternoon: K – 2nd
 - Chorus no longer a special, now optional and will allow students to sign-up to participate. Rehearsals will occur during lunch recess period once per cycle.
 - Replacing Chorus in 4th and 5th grade is an extra PE and music class by trimester.
 - 1st Trimester ~ PE (Mrs. Larsen)
 - 2nd Trimester ~ Music (Mrs. Weaver)
 - 3rd Trimester ~ Music (Mrs. Ream)

Tonight's Schedule/Feedback

- Classroom sessions are not set to a prescribed time, please come and go as you are able.
- Building Tours for new students will occur immediately after this session, at 7:00 p.m., and again at 7:30 p.m.
 - You may meet Mrs. Wiechelt/Mr. Gochenour near stage area.
- Multiple students and not enough sessions?
 - Contact any missed teachers to set up possible additional times.
- Feedback about the change in how we structure Back-to-School Night.
 - Look for an electronic survey (Google Forms) to be sent after Labor Day.

Thank You!

- Thank you for attending tonight's event!
- Don't forget to complete your InfoSnap if you haven't done so already. The office can assist you with this process tonight if needed.
- Please contact the school office if you would need any further assistance or information.
 - 717-240-6800 x56805
 - Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
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