August 11, 2020

Welcome Back Cardinal Families!

We are now one week from the first day of school for the 2020-2021 school year! I know you are enjoying these last few days of summer.

A reminder that Back to School nights start tonight! You will receive an email with your Google Meet link from your teacher if you have not already. Here are the days and times:

- Middle school will be on Tuesday with 6th starting at 5:30, 7th at 6:00, and 8th at 6:30.
- Primary classes will be Wednesday with Kindergarten at 5:30, 1st at 6:00, & 2nd at 6:30.
- Intermediate classes will be Thursday with 3rd starting at 5:30, 4th at 6:00,& 5th at 6:30.

Our Middle School Transition day will be tomorrow from 1pm-4pm. If your middle school student cannot attend, please call or email for an excused absence.

Items of note for the 2020-2021 school year:

- Please read the <u>Student & Parent Handbook 2020 edition</u>. There are some changes due to Covid-19 addressed. In addition, parents and students will need to sign the last page of the handbook and follow the directions to return it. Please return the signed signature page before August 18th.
- We will not have microwaves for students to heat up meals. This is to minimize touch points, allow more time for washing hands before and sanitizing after, and to prepare students for eating in their classrooms during inclement weather. So please, do not send food that needs to be reheated.
- Dress in layers. Like every Coloradoan knows, the weather changes quickly and we want to take students outside for classes and recesses as much as possible.
- This year, each student will use one specific Chromebook at school. If we have to go into Remote Learning, you will have the opportunity to take it home. Please read the Student Chromebook Checkout form in the CCA Parent/Student Handbook and sign your agreement on the signature page.
- If you have any questions regarding medical issues, Leann is happy to help. Please email her leannmeikle@re3j.com
- The attached is the <u>newest guiding document</u> for assessing if your child is too sick to attend school. Following these guidelines each morning, before you send your child to school, will help keep everyone much healthier this school year. Please let me or Leann know if you have questions about assessing your child's health each morning.

To minimize adults in the building, we are asking that everyone do their best to utilize the Driveline. If you are a new kindergarten parent, you will get your driveline tag the first day of school. For Driveline questions, email jenniferrichter@re3j.com.

We have lots of new staff to announce this year!

In Kindergarten, Bronwyn Kalcevik is joining us as a teacher aide. Madisyn Kirby is back as a teacher aide for 1st and 2nd grades. Anna Sirios is stepping in as our Middle School Literature

teacher as Myra Hanson moved to the Art position. In the front office, you will see Crystal Bydalek as the front office and health aide. Please make sure to welcome all those folks to CCA!

I am truly looking forward to seeing all of you in the virtual Back to School Nights and in-person next week.

Sincerely, Maureen Lockette