August 30, 2021

Dear CCA families,

Please make sure your child has a water bottle and clean mask each day. Thank you.

Back to School Night:

Wednesday, September 1st will be the 2021-2022 school year "Back to School Night" and Book Sale! We want to keep this simple and enjoyable. Please utilize the classroom exterior doors so we minimize adults in the hallways.

Here is the schedule for the evening:

4pm Welcome message from Mrs. Lockette over the P/A system

4:00-5:15: Grades K-5 are Open House; enter through exterior classroom doors any time between 4-5:15

4:00: Middle School meeting starts at 4pm (repeated at 6pm) enter through math room exterior doors.

Middle School teachers available to answer questions after.

4:30-6:15 brown-bag dinner available outside

5:15-5:45 Teacher break

5:45: Welcome message from Mrs. Lockette over the P/A system

5:45-7pm: Grades K-5 Open House; enter through exterior doors

6:00: Middle School meeting starts (repeat from the 4pm meeting) enter through math room exterior doors. Teachers available for questions after the meeting.

There will be a 50 Cent Book Sale all evening. Please stop by the outdoor classroom and help our library by purchasing some great books! See here for more.

In closing:

- Grades K-5 will be Open House; come in and ask your questions.
- Middle school has 2 scheduled meeting times to discuss trips and other middle school specific information. Immediately following the meetings, middle school teachers will be in their rooms to answer any questions you may have.
- A lite dinner will be served, brown-bag style. We will eat outside in the picnic pavilion between 4:30- 6:15. You can choose when to start your dinner. Please bring lawn chairs in case the picnic tables are full.
- We are asking families to stay home if they do not feel well. We will have Back to School Videos on the website after the event.
- The Book sale will be in the outdoor classroom all evening. Funds raised will help our librarian purchase new materials.

Hot Lunch Fundraiser:

Ben's Pizza and Santiago's Burritos are available again this year. Your middle school classes use the funds from the lunches to go on amazing trips each year. Wednesday is <u>Ben's Pizza</u> day; Thursday is <u>Santiago's Burritos</u>. Use the order forms linked to place your child's order. Orders must be in by Friday for the upcoming week.

School Pictures are September 24th!

School picture day is Friday, September 24th. Click here for the order form.

Covid Guidance for 2021-2022

Ultimately, we all want students to be able to attend school in-person. To do so, we must all work together to ensure a healthy school year. CCAI will follow the guidance set out by the CDPHE, CDE, & RE3j.

- We will do our best to minimize any disruptions to the learning environment; therefore, in the case of a positive Covid diagnosis, the afflicted student/staff will be asked to stay home until they can safely return. All students/staff considered close contacts will be notified, asked to watch for symptoms, and may remain in school unless they become symptomatic. We should see fewer remote learning times this year as long as we can stay home when not feeling well. Please continue to be conscientious when sending your child to school.
- We should not have to move to a large-scale remote learning situation unless our numbers of students or staff infected is five or more cases of COVID-19, of which at least one case has had a positive molecular amplification test or antigen test, among students/teachers/staff from separate households with onset within 14 days in a single classroom/activity or other close contact in the school setting (including transportation tofrom- school and affiliated events). *CDPHE June 2021
- As we did last year, we will be in contact with families regarding possible exposure and/or any closures due to Covid-19.
- We will continue to cohort students and limit the amount of time students are out of their cohort. Students leaving their cohort during an unscheduled time will be asked to wear a mask, just like last year. Anticipate very little mask wearing but students should be prepared. Please send a clean mask with your student(s) each day.
- Adults in the building will stay with a specific cohort unless it is not possible, for example Interventionists.
- Students will have their own supplies; classroom supplies will be minimized and in cases, such as Art, PE, Music, or STEM, those items will be cleaned between classes.
- Students will not have access to microwaves, drinking fountains (the bottle fillers will be available) or other high touch-point surfaces, just like last year to minimize the opportunity for viruses to pass from hand to eyes or mouth.
- We will clean continuously throughout the day and eat/play outside as much as possible for the health of our students.

I know these guidelines are not what we all would love to have but I truly appreciate everyone keeping a positive outlook as we follow these few guidelines that will allow us to remain in-person. Please watch for more information from RE3j in the near future and I will continue to update you with any changes to this plan.

Upcoming Events

- September 1st: Back to School night from 4-7pm (see above for details)
- September 16th: Accountability meeting @ 3:45pm
- September 22nd: Board of Directors meeting @ 5:30pm
- September 24th: School Picture Day

Please reach out to me if you have questions regarding this information.

Sincerely,

Maureen Lockette