



# Charleston Elementary School

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Charleston Families,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Break and lots of time with family and friends. Thank you for your patience as we navigate the new **COVID guidance**. I know it will change a bit more this coming week. We will communicate what that means to families as the state releases more information and clarifies the guidance for schools. Please refer back to the email from Superintendent John Castle regarding the change to five days of quarantining as well as the updated vaccination guidance. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Beginning the new year, we have introduced Katie Shick and Dekota Roberge to our **teaching team**! Katie is a veteran teacher. She will be taking the Middle School Math Teacher position. She has recently moved to Vermont from out of state. Dekota Roberge has taken the Special Education position. She has great experience working with children in school. This is her first year as a Special Education Teacher. Please help me in welcoming them to our community!

Additionally, it looks like we will have one more week of alternate **lunches**. You will be happy to know that plumbers have finished up in the kitchen. The new concrete will be poured on Monday, and cleaning crews will be in on Wednesday to start getting the kitchen back to sanitary conditions. Chef Toni has been incredibly flexible in using the Holland Elementary kitchen to put together lunches during this time. If you see her, please thank her for her hard work! It looks like we will have hotdogs, hamburgers, then, Wednesday and Thursday will be bag lunches (given winter programming and the early release).

Lastly, please remember that this week Thursday is an **Early Release**. Kids will be dismissed at 11:50 for parent pickup and noon for buses. We have **no school on Friday**. We are still planning for winter programming on Wednesday, but will re-evaluate as we get closer with the anticipated cold weather. I know many schools have already canceled their programs for Wednesday.

Thanks, again, for all of your support!

Upcoming important dates:

- 1/12–Winter Programming Day
- 1/12–CES School Board Meeting–Budget Meeting
- 1/13–Early Release
- 1/14–No School (NEKEA Day)
- 1/19–Winter Programming

Sincerely,

Chris Lawson, Principal