

August 30, 2022

Dear PS 81 Families,

We hope that you are all having a relaxing and fun-filled summer. We are very excited for the upcoming school year! Below please find some important information that will help lead to a smooth transition to the school year.

*** VIRTUAL MEET AND GREET ***

- Our teachers are excited to host a virtual meet with their students on Wednesday, September 7th. Each grade will have a specific time to meet with the students and they cannot meet at any other time due to time constraints. All classroom teachers will send a link for their meeting through Dojo or email next week. We hope your child is able to attend the meeting with their classroom teacher! Please try your best to have your child sign on at the designated time so the teacher can start the meeting promptly.

* Kindergarten - 9:00 am

* First Grade - 9:30 am

* Second Grade 10:00 am

* Third Grade - 10:30 am

* Fourth Grade 11:00 am

* Fifth Grade 11:30 am

*** START OF SCHOOL ***

- School starts at 8:30. Doors will open to students at 8:20.

- Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade students will enter through the school yard for the first two days of school ONLY (September 8th and 9th). To ensure the safety of all children, only students will be permitted to enter the school yard.

- We ask that all kindergarten, first and second grade students wear a name tag with their first and last name, as well as their classroom number the first two days of school.
- Starting September 12th, all kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade students will enter through the 256th street entrance (by the auditorium)
- 3rd, 4th and 5th grade will enter through the Main Entrance on Riverdale Ave starting the first day of school
- Breakfast will be served as a “Grab and Go.” If your child would like, they will pick up a bag breakfast on their way to class.

*** DISMISSAL ***

- Every day there will be a staggered dismissal. Please see the times below:
 - * Kindergarten - 2:35 dismissed in the schoolyard
 - * 1st and 2nd grade - 2:40 dismissed through exits on Riverdale Ave
 - * 3rd, 4th and 5th grade - 2:45 dismissed through exits on Riverdale Ave
- Please inform your child’s teacher how they will be dismissed on the first day of school.
- There is NO late room, so please be on time to pick up your child every day.

*** SCHOOL SUPPLIES ***

- Please see the June 29th post below from the PA with supply lists. Please be sure to LABEL school supplies with your child’s first and last name and classroom number. This will ensure your child's supplies are delivered to the correct classroom.
- School supplies can be dropped off at PS 81 on Tuesday, 9/6 and Wednesday, 9/7 between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm. To help with the

transition and safety of students on the first day of school, we
STRONGLY ENCOURAGE families to drop off student's supplies on
these days!!

Best regards,

Anne