PARKSIDE NEWS



AUGUST 2022

Parents/Guardians,

Summer is coming to an end quickly, and before we know it, your children will be back in school. The custodial staff has done a fabulous job of preparing our facility to look its best, both inside and out, for students. Please complement the custodians for their hard work if you agree. And as usual, many teachers came into the building (long before required) and put in numerous summer hours to be well-prepared to teach your children when they arrive.

If you log in to your child's ASPEN account, you should be able to see your child's new teacher. If you need assistance with this, feel free to give the school office a call. Most students know their login. It is the same login they use each day for their Chromebook.

As for school supplies, most items will be provided by the school. We do suggest you buy a backpack and a lunch box to start the year. It maybe helpful to have some general supplies at home for homework activities as well. **Students in grades 2-5 are also to purchase their own earbuds.**

With less restrictions, we are looking forward to getting our PTA involvement and activities back to normal. **We need youl** If you

would like to be part of our PTA board or a volunteer, please contact me via email or phone call, and we will let you know how you can become involved. Also, you and your family are invited to join us for our **Back-to-School Night** on Wednesday, September 7, from 6-7 pm. It will be a time to get information about our Title 1 Program and to visit your child's teacher and his/her new classroom. Pizza and prizes will be provided as well.

We would like to welcome some new staff to Parkside this year. Molly Hartig will replace Sue MacGray as our school nurse, and Leila Nash will be replacing Melissa Nelson as our new school counselor. We've added Kayla Hughes as a Grade 3 teacher, and Kristin Hedrick has moved down as another Kindergarten teacher. We have also added a brand new Prek-3 program. This program is a 1/2 day pm program. The teacher is Bethanie Chaney. Candy Ness will join as a multi-coverage sub.

Finally, I am looking forward to an exciting 2022-23 school year. Thank you, parents and guardians, for your partnership with us in your child's education. As a team, I know that each Parkside student will grow not only academically and intellectually, but will find Parkside a place to thrive physically, socially, and emotionally. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at the school at any time 301.729.0085.

UPCOMING EVENTS

8/17- First Day for Teachers

8/18- Staff Development/Teacher Work Time

8/19- Staff Development/Teacher Work Time

8/22- Supervisor Staff Development

8/22- PTA Spirit Night- Rio Grande 5-9

8/23- Teacher Work Time in Classrooms

8/24- Schools open-3-hr Early Dismissal

8/24-8/26- PreK/Kindergarten Conferences Held

8/29- PreK and Kindergarten Begin

9/5- NO School- Labor Day

9/7- Back to School Night 6-7

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT

Wednesday, September 7 6:00-7:00

Please join us for the following:

Title 1 Informational Meeting

Volunteer Orientation

Meet the Teacher

PIZZA, DRINKS, AND GIVE AWAYS!!!

OUTDOOR SCHOOL FOR GRADE 5- OCT. 10-14. Volunteers Needed!

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

SPIRIT NIGHT@ RIO GRANDE Monday, Aug. 22 from 5-9



TENTATIVE DATE FOR GRANDPARENTS DAY

TUESDAY, SEPT. 20 More info to come soon!!

Updates...

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- Meals will no longer be offered free. Be sure to fill out your Free and Reduced Meals Application. This also allows our school to receive extra staff and funds for materials. Lunch- \$2.65 Breakfast- \$1.40
- Student drop off. Doors open at 8:15. Students are dismissed to their classroom at 8:30 to begin morning work and/or begin breakfast.
- 8:45 students must be seated or will be marked as "Tardy."
- Carpool students will be dismissed at 3:15.

THANK YOU

Thank you for entrusting your children to us. We value the importance of our partnership with you and your family as we daily work together.



It is a privilege for us to educate your child each day!

THE PARKSIDE STAFF

LIVING, LAUGHING, LOVING, LEARNING...
WORKING TOGETHER< MAKING A DIFFERENCE