

August 2, 2021

Dear Glendale Families,

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! This year we look forward to the return of past favorites such as May Fete, Popcorn Fridays, and Popsicles on the playground for kindergarten and new families. We also have adopted several exciting initiatives. Leader in Me will be our new Social Emotional Learning Framework which is geared towards leadership development, and we will expand our usage of Dojo to include class highlights and student behavior.

Along with new initiatives, we welcome several new staff: Tim Walker, Assistant Principal, Megan Turner, social studies teacher 4th&5th, Annika Johnson, title one teacher, Kristyn Beljan, psychologist, Dashonda Watkins, intervention specialist, Sonja Mazzeo, kindergarten, and Ana Gomez Solis, EL paraprofessional. We know that they will be a great addition to the Glendale Staff. However, as exciting as it is to welcome new staff, it's also heart breaking to say goodbye to those who have served so many Glendale families. We would like to wish Miss. Ruttschaw a fantastic year at the Middle School along with wishing our custodian, Kevin Selm a happy retirement.

As we prepare for another year of learning, I want you to know building a relationship with you and your child/children is our first priority, because it truly takes a community to grow a child.

Let's have a phenomenal year together!

Karen N. Harkness, Principal



Important Information

- Submission of Final Forms is required to start school
- School hours 9:00a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- Breakfast and lunch will be free for all students
- Breakfast will be served in the classroom from 9:00a.m.-9:15 a.m.)
- Car riders will exit cars at 9:00 a.m.
- Parents will not sign tardy students in prior to 9:30 a.m.
- Parents are to remain in their cars during arrival and dismissal while in the car line.
- Masks are optional for students, staff, and families

Upcoming Events

Monday, August 9, Popsicles on the Playground for kindergarten and new families 5:00p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 10, Parent & Community Series @ Matthew Auditorium 6:30 p.m. to 8:00p.m.

Thursday, August 12, First Day of School 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 19, Meet the Teacher Night 5:00p.m.-6:00p.m.

First Day Logistics

- ❖ Any student who took home a Chromebook at the end of the year should bring his/her Chromebook fully charged
- ❖ The first day of school is always sentimental, yet we are still experiencing effects from Covid. In order to be safe, we're asking parents to give hugs and kisses before students exit the car or for parents to park in the lower lot to say your goodbyes, if there is space.

