



MONROEVILLE LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents and Students,

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I am thrilled to welcome you back to school for the 2023-2024 year at Monroeville Elementary! The faculty and staff have been busy preparing the school and classrooms for an exciting year of learning and growth. We are looking forward to hearing about your adventures, getting caught up with the returning families, and meeting our newest Eagles. The theme for the building this year is H.A.P.P.Y (Have a Positive Productive Year). This will be seen with the smiley faces and in different areas of the building. It will also be included with our Character Strong programming and PBIS. Hopefully you are all excited to return, so that we all can have an awesome year... No matter what! We will begin the year with a two-day staggered start to get to know each other with their new teachers and answer any questions you or they may have before we are all together. We appreciate your understanding and support in accomplishing this for everyone because it will take us working together to achieve this goal!

Student success is the goal of every staff member at Monroeville Elementary. We believe with dedication to high quality and research-based best practices that every student will be able to learn and achieve their fullest potential. We are prepared to offer time and support as needed. This is an ongoing process and ever-changing landscape within education. We ask for your continued support and understanding as at each grade level, the expectations grow, and we need your help and support to accomplish this for your child or children. Please take advantage of communications channels we are setting up, examples of some of these are ProgressBook (where you can check your students' grades and assignments), Google Classroom, Remind, and Class Dojo to name few. Each of these provide you way to communicate with your child's teachers and monitor your child's progress. Please reach out to your child's teacher with concerns or affirmations as this connection will only serve us both better to help your student.

Just a reminder you can also pay school fees in the office and/or set up a payment plan with the office to take care of these. We have new point of sale system that will also accept payment of school fees. Information on this will be forthcoming as well. We will continue to do all our school forms through our online system using Final Forms. If you have not completed them yet, please do so as soon as possible. We need to have the most up to date information on file in case of an issue or emergency.

This is our seventh year of using the American Reading Company (ARC) with our students for reading and we would like to ask for your continued support and participation in this effort. Please send your child to school every day and encourage him/her to read for pleasure at least 30 minutes every night. Please make sure they are completing their reading log and turning it into their teacher so that we can keep track for the those who read over 800 steps in the school year. Continue to monitor homework and progress and ask your child to share what they have learned at school each day. We encourage you to communicate with your child's teacher as needed to make sure we work together to encourage each student to do their best.

We urge you to become involved at Monroeville Schools! All parents are considered members of PTO (Parent -Teacher Organization). The PTO meeting are held the second Tuesday of each month. There are hundreds of ways to be involved in PTO activities. There are big and small opportunities available that you can choose, depending on the amount of time you have to offer. Please check out the PTO Facebook page or contact an officer with questions. If you are interested in volunteering here at school, please contact your child's teacher or the office (you will need to have a background check). We will provide you with the needed information to become an approved volunteer.

We send home important information about events each week in the teacher class newsletters. You can find these in student folders weekly and updated on the teachers' Google Classrooms. Please be sure to continuously check your child's folders daily and ProgressBook as your time allows. Also, remember to visit our school's website, Google Classrooms, and our social media platforms for information and updates. We may also make automated or personal phone calls to parents, so it is important we have current phone numbers. Lunch prices for this school year are:

Kindergarten to 4 th grade	\$2.75	5 th to 8 th graders	\$2.95
9 th to 12 th grades	\$3.10	Adults	\$4.40
Reduced Lunch	\$0.00	Breakfast	\$1.50
Milk	\$0.50	Reduced Breakfast	\$0.00

Finally, just a reminder that the school day times are 8:15 am to 2:45 pm. Please remember to report school no earlier than 7:45 is when doors open. Breakfast will be served from 7:45 to 8:10 and all students must in their classrooms by 8:15 or they will be tardy. We will have a staggered start on August 23rd for student with last name of A to L and August 24th for students with last name of M to Z. All student report on August 25th. Kindergarten schedule is little different as on August 23rd they will have orientation and then August 24th and 25th will be staggered start days and all kindergarten students will start on Monday, August 28th.

The staff and administration are eager to welcome you back to another wonderful year!
On behalf of the Monroeville Team,
William Butler, Principal



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