



# Just the Facts

Dwight-Englewood Lower School

SEPTEMBER 6, 2019

## BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT FOR GRADES K - 5 Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### September

8 Sunday	Welcome Back Block Party – 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.—See flyer attached
9 Monday	Preschool 3 – First Full Day
12 Thursday	Back-to-School Night for Kindergarten – 5th grade parents at 7:00 p.m. in Drapkin Hall Lower School Gym— <b>See below for details</b>

### BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT

Kindergarten- 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents are invited to our Back-To-School Night on Thursday, September 12, 2019. The evening will begin in Drapkin Hall Lower School Gym with the doors opening at 6:45 p.m. The program will begin in the gym promptly at 7:00 PM. After a brief program ending at approximately 7:20 p.m., parents will move to the individual class rooms in the Lower School building for a presentation by the teachers. Light refreshments will be available.

### CTP V TESTING MEETING FOR PARENTS OF CURRENT 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS: NEW DATE AND TIME

**September 19, 2019 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Room 219**

Your child's scores from third grade will be sent home in October. In order to best understand the information you will be receiving, we invite you to attend an information session focused on understanding your child's score report.

### MORNING ARRIVAL...

Students may be dropped off any time after 7:30 a.m. when the Lower School gym doors are open. If a student arrives before 7:30 a.m., their parent or caregiver must remain with them until the gym doors are opened. Please remember to drive slowly on the roadway coming down to the Lower School building. Below is a list of times that classes begin for Lower School students. **Children are expected to**

**be in their classrooms ready to begin the day at the times listed below. We ask parents to make every effort to have their child arrive to school on time.**

Pre3 and Pre4	8:20 a.m.
Kindergarten	8:20 a.m.
1 <sup>st</sup> grade	8:20 a.m.
2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	8:20 a.m.
3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	8:15 a.m.
4 <sup>th</sup> grade	8:15 a.m.
5 <sup>th</sup> grade	8:15 a.m.

Any student in grades 3-5 who are not in their classroom ready to begin their day at 8:15 a.m. will have to sign the late list which is located at Ms. Bryan's desk. Preschool -2<sup>nd</sup> grade students who arrive late to school should be escorted into the building.

**IMPORTANT DISMISSAL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS...**

**TO AVOID LONG CAR LINES AT DISMISSAL, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR PARENTS TO ENTER THE QUEUE EITHER AT OR ONLY FIVE MINUTES BEFORE THE DISMISSAL TIME FOR THEIR CHILD. EARLY ARRIVALS SLOW DISMISSAL TO A STOP. WE WILL MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHILD IS AVAILABLE AT THE DESIGNATED DISMISSAL TIMES. PARENTS WHO ARRIVE SIGNIFICANTLY BEFORE THEIR CHILD'S DISMISSAL TIME MAY BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE LINE AND RETURN AT THE CORRECT TIME. BELOW ARE THE DISMISSAL TIMES FOR EACH GRADE.**

Preschool 3 and 4	2:30 p.m.
Kindergarten	2:50 p.m.
1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> grades	3:00 p.m.
3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> grades	3:15 p.m.

**Students will be placed in cars from the right side only.** Parents are asked to be sure the car seat is secured on the right-hand side of the back seat. **We do not allow any student to be placed in a car from the driver's side.**

**NURSE'S NOTES...**

By Mrs. Maureen Krane RN, Lower School Nurse

As we head into fall I would like to ask each parent to send in a change of clothes for their child. This applies to children in all grades not just the youngest. With rain comes wet playground equipment which in turn means a wet child. We also have lunch spills and paint mishaps. Kindly choose a non-favorite pair of pants, shirt, underwear and socks to be left in your child's locker.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS...**

- We will continue to communicate with Lower School parents in two formats.
- The first will be *Just the Facts*, which will be just that. It will include dates of upcoming events in the Lower School and important information for parents. This will normally be in students' backpacks on Fridays.
- The second will be *Lower School Notes*, a link to which will be pushed to parents. *Lower School Notes* will have an electronic link to *Just the Facts* and will have featured articles bi-monthly. It will also have detailed information about what students are doing, supported by photos and student voices.

### **IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE INFORMATION...**

If your child will be out of school, for any reason, please report that to the school nurse, Maureen Krane, by calling (201) 227-3300 and leaving a message. **This extension is to be used for the sole purpose of reporting absences.** When reporting absences, please let the nurse know what is wrong with your child, indicate if you want a call back, and the duration your child will be out, if known. **Please call in absence information by 9:00 AM.** Parents should not leave attendance messages either on Ms. Bryan's voice mail or the voice mail of their child's teacher. If parents would like homework sent home when their child is absent, they should contact the teacher directly.

### **THIRD GRADERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

Third Graders Making a Difference are collecting new and gently used Halloween costumes to be donated to the Bergen Family Center so that children all around our area can enjoy the thrill of dressing up for Halloween. If you would like to join us, please gather new or gently used Halloween costumes that you are no longer using and place them in specially marked bins outside the third-grade classrooms.