



Just the Facts

Dwight-Englewood Lower School

SEPTEMBER 24, 2021

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

29 Wednesday Fifth Grade Parent Forum - 8:30 am under the big tent on Leggett Field

UPCOMING...

4 October Preschool 3 Parent Forum - 8:30 am under the big tent on Leggett Field

5 October Preschool 4 Parent Forum - 8:30 am under the big tent on Leggett Field

7 October Kindergarten Parent Forum - 8:30 am under the big tent on Leggett Field

8 October Photo Day

5th Grade Parent Forum

Each fall the Parents' Association hosts a Parent Forum for each grade level. What will be discussed is uniquely curated for each grade, but the overarching intention is to help parents have a deeper understanding of their child's experience at school and to connect with fellow parents in your child's grade.

The forum will begin a community-building activity facilitated by your child's classroom teachers.

The Lower School PA and class rep team will host a general discussion about relevant topics to your child's grade and answer any questions you might have about upcoming events. Ms. Preeti, Ms. Abramson and Ms. C will join for a portion.

Math Team

We are delighted to resume Math Team for our third through fifth grades this year! Resuming these programs in accordance with COVID protocols requires us to stagger the dates we can offer our enrichment programs and the grades to which we offer them. **Please stay tuned for the days and times regarding third and fifth grade math teams.** Math Team is open to all students who want to work hard, learn and have fun doing both. This year's math team will be led by Lower School faculty on Mondays from 3:30 to 4:15. There is no charge for the math team.

The first cycle of Math Team is for the **fourth graders only**, and the dates are below:

October 4th
October 11th
October 18th
October 25th
November 1st
November 8th
November 15th

If your child would like to participate in the fourth-grade math team, please email Ms. Dorothy Bryan bryand@d-e.org along with your contact number. Due to COVID-related room capacity considerations, participation is limited to 18 students on a first come, first served basis.

Please note that students who are not picked up at 4:15 will then be supervised by the ACE program in Umpleby, and a fee is applied and pick up will be at Umpleby.

Drop Off and Dismissal Safety

Please remember that your children must exit your vehicle from the right-handed (sidewalk-side) door. It is also important that you stay in your car during drop off and dismissal. Exiting your vehicle can be dangerous, and it also holds up the car line. If you need more time or need to leave your car to walk your child in, you must find a spot to park on campus. Leaving the car unattended in the drop off line outside of Drapkin Hall is not permitted. Parking either outside of Drapkin Hall or in the fire lane would make it very difficult to move cars and tend to a possible emergency, should one arise during drop off or dismissal. Thank you for your support and for helping us keep the car line safe and quick.

Dismissal Time Reminder

To avoid long car lines at dismissal, it is very important for parents to enter the queue only at 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. Please also remember to use your car visor name sign.

Preschool 3 & Preschool 4: 2:30 pm

Kindergarten: 2:50 pm

1st Grade - 5th Grade: 3:00 pm** (*please see note below*)

Siblings in different grades in Lower School ("Carpool"): 3:20 pm

Siblings in different grades that are in the Middle or Upper school: 3:25-3:40 pm

**Students in 1st-5th grade end their classes at 2:55 so they are unable to leave school until 3:00pm. If you have students in these grades, please join the car line at 3:00 pm at the earliest. The window for Lower School dismissal is 3:00 pm-3:20 pm so you may come anytime throughout that block.

The Who-to-Call-for-What Resource Reminder

When it comes to your child's experience in the classroom, **the classroom teacher is always the best place to start.** We hope the following information is helpful when questions about other aspects of Lower School arise:

- **Specific Medical Questions (COVID and other)**
 - Nurse Maureen Krane, 201-227-3162
 - kranem@d-e.org
- **Daily Dismissal Changes, including bus dismissal change**
 - Dorothy Bryan, 201-227-3220
 - bryand@d-e.org
- **Transportations, Bus Routes and Timing**
 - Danielle Devlin
 - devlid@d-e.org
- **Lunch**
 - **Nutrislice App:** Joan Millien, millij@d-e.org
 - **Procedures and Protocols:** Susan Abramson abrams@d-e.org and Julia Calantone, calanj@d-e.org
 - **Billing:** Alice Praylow, prayla@d-e.org
- **Smart Tuition**
 - **Billing:** Alice Praylow, prayla@d-e.org
- **Late Arrivals/Early Pick Ups**
 - Dorothy Bryan and Classroom Teacher
- **Absences**
 - Maureen Krane 201-227-3300 and Classroom Teacher
- **ACE (Aftercare and Enrichment)**
 - Sharon Keigher, keighs@d-e.org
- **General Questions**
 - Susan Abramson 201-227-3222 and/or Julia Calantone 201-227-3166
- **General Covid Protocols and Practices**
 - Preeti Fibiger, fibigp@d-e.org or 201-227-3221