

Get Ready, Get Set, It's time to come back!

The First Day of School

Kindergarten dismisses at 11:00. There is no bus service at 11:00 a.m. Please park in the parking lot and your child will be dismissed with the entire class.

Victory Tunnel – If you're dropping off your child on August 24, please stay a moment and help us welcome the children into the gym. Children may play on the playground from 7:30-7:45. We will have the children line up with their teachers at 7:50 and they will walk them into the gym. We'd like to have any parents on campus line the sidewalk to the gym and cheer us all on! If you arrive after we've gone to the gym (but before 8:00, of course), walk your child into the gym to join his or her homeroom in the bleachers.

Boo-Hoo/Yahoo! Breakfast – Whether you're sad to see your child start school, or elated for the return to a routine, our PTO thinks you deserve breakfast! If you're on campus next Wednesday, join us in the cafeteria immediately after prayer in the gym (around 8:05). We'll provide tissues, just bring your appetite.



PLEASE SET UP YOUR EZPARENT ACCOUNT FOR OUR CAFETERIA!

I've been getting a number of questions about the EZ pay system. We are bound to have a couple of glitches as we get started, but here is what I know:

- Go to ezparentcenter.com and sign up for an account. *EVERYONE* needs to do this, whether you think you'll need it, or not. Every child is being assigned a number so that the correct account can be charged. You'll want your account established "just in case"...you know, just in case the lunch gets left on the counter at home, or you realize you're out of bread at midnight. EZParent is the only way checks may be processed.
- You may put money on the account with your credit card. If you choose this method, you should be able to see your balance immediately. Convenience charges may apply.
- You may put money on your account by writing a check and sending it in on the first day of school. If you choose this method, it may take a day for your account to reflect the balance. The check must be here by 8:15 a.m. on Wednesday, and you must already have an ezparent account.



The Menu for the first week of school is posted on our website.



PLEASE REMEMBER: If there is a change in your child's transportation home in the afternoon, Mrs. Ell needs that information by 2:00. Errors are caused when changes happen too late in the day; we need time to get those changes to homeroom teachers, latchkey, busses, etc. Help our dismissal process be safe, orderly, and well-communicated, please.

Do not walk your child to the classroom without a visitor pass. Sign in at the main office, and get a visitor sticker before walking down the hallway.

If you are dropping your child off, leave enough time to walk him or her to the main entrance, and exit the parking lot carefully. There were many "near misses" last year with drivers going too fast, or being distracted by a cell phone, etc. Except for this Wednesday, we will bring children in from playground at 7:45 a.m. Please make sure your student is here by 7:55 for a peaceful start to the day.

New Theme for 2016-2017

Our theme for this school year is *One Faith, One Family, One Future.* We will be incorporating this in prayer and in activities throughout the year.

I'm looking forward to having children in the building this week!

Blessings,

Lizanne B. Ingram

