

Welcome! We opened our doors for another school year and were awarded with a successful beginning. The planning, preparation, and support from all of you and our staff really paid off. We look forward to all the excitement and achievements that come with the new school year.

NEW PERSONNEL

Please welcome our new staff members: Samantha Blais, Nicole Fitzgibbons, Megan Pelletier, Esther Enloe, Stephany Robinson, Joan Fitzgerald, Tina Hoeft, Abigail Badger, Jennifer Whitfield, Joanne Del Greco

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

This year we will be attempting to increase communication with parents through email. We hope to reduce the amount of paperwork sent home and to insure parents are receiving information in an accurate and timely manner.

OPEN HOUSE

Our Open House is scheduled for Thursday, September 28 from 5:30-6:15 PM for grades K -2 and from 6:30-7:15 PM for grades 3-5. This night is designed to give you the opportunity to meet your child's teacher and hear about classroom expectations, curriculum, and homework policies. This evening is not intended for individual parent/teacher conferences, those dates will be scheduled in November. **We ask that your children stay home for this evening as we do not have proper supervision throughout the building during the information sessions**. Thank you all.

ALLERGIES

We want to keep Sunset Heights the safest learning environment for all children. We have some children that are allergic to bees, nuts, and tree nuts. For those impacted, please do your best to adhere to the letter the teachers sent home.

IMPORTANT STUDENT SAFETY RELATED INFORMATION

- Students (walkers and those being dropped off) should arrive between 8:50 and 9:00 NOT before 8:50 A.M. (unless STUDENTS ARE part of the Adult Learning Centers before school child care program.)
- All visitors/parents are to sign-in at the main office and wear a **BADGE** when in the building.
- As buses enter from Dudley St., approach the building and stop, they will display <u>orange caution lights</u>. Please be aware. If you need to pass by, do so slowly and carefully. When <u>red flashing lights</u> are displayed, state law prohibits a vehicle from passing a school bus. This holds true for buses on school property as well as buses on city streets.
- All parent drop offs and pickups by car must be done in the loop. Please do not park in the loop.
- Driving Please DO NOT EXCEED 10 MPH as you approach or depart the school.
- Please remember the driving laws -- no passing on a double yellow line.
- Students riding bikes must <u>walk</u> their bikes as they approach the school.
- All students, parents, staff need to USE cross walks.
- Notify your child's teacher in writing of a change in dismissal procedure. i.e. "My child is not to take the bus home today as I will pick her up." This avoids confusion. [Note: Parents can't change their child's bus for the day without notifying the office.]
- Dismissal time for walkers is 3:25 P.M. Bus dismissal begins following the walker's dismissal. Please remind your child(ren) to listen attentively for the bus call via the intercom. We discourage parents from dismissing students at the end of the day because of the disruptions to the classroom and the burden it puts on the office staff during this time. Please try to limit late dismissals to emergencies, appointments, etc. If you know of certain days weekly that you need a dismissal, send in a note in order to simplify the procedure from both ends. You may want to set up a designated meeting place with your child(ren) for such dismissals. Thanks for your understanding with this issue.

