



SALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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CCS Mission: Each student is highly educated, prepared for leadership and service, and empowered for success as a citizen in a global community.

Salem Mission: Salem Elementary is a community of students, families and staff that celebrates diversity and learning in a safe environment.

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Dear Salem Families:

Enclosed you will find some important information for the beginning of the school year!

- **Back to school Ice-Cream Social** will take place on **Aug. 20**, from **5:30 PM to 6:30 PM** on the playground behind the school.
- **First day of school** for **1st-5th** grade is **Aug. 22**, and the first day of school for **K** is **Aug. 27**.
- **Breakfast** and **Lunch** are free for all students and the monthly menu is provided on the Columbus City Schools web page www.ccsok.us.
- **Arrival** for breakfast begins at 8:30 AM. Students **may not be dropped off before 8:30 AM**. All students are to enter the school through door number 1. Classroom instruction will begin promptly at 9:00 AM. If a student arrives after 9:00 AM they are marked tardy for school and must report to the office when they arrive.
- **Cars may not use the bus lanes** to drop off students. Cars are to travel east on Garvey Road and students exit cars on the right side onto the sidewalk. Students are to use the crosswalk on Garvey Road to gain access to the school entrance.
- **Dismissal** for car riders and walkers will begin at 3:25 PM for students in 1st-5th grade. To ensure student safety, you must tell us how your child is getting picked up from school. If the transportation method is changing for the day, you must send in a note or call the school office before 2:30 PM each day. Families will not be permitted to pick up students early between 3:00 PM and 3:25 PM.
- **Car riders** must be picked up on Darcy Road at dismissal. Cars may park on Darcy Road (facing the school) and staff will walk students across Garvey Road using the crosswalk. Cars may not stop, park, or wait in the bus lane. Kindergarten walkers and car riders must be picked up at door number 5.
- **Bus riders** will be provided with a separate mailing from CCS Bus Transportation department. **please call 614-365-5074** for all transportation concerns.
- **Dress Code** for Salem students is listed in the CCS Dress code policy. We do not have uniforms. New this year we have air-conditioning and the building stays much cooler. Long sleeve shirts and layers will be necessary.
- **School Supply Lists** are attached. If you are in need of any school supplies please write your child's first name, last name, grade and circle the items that your child needs. Bring the list to the ice-cream social or to school. We will make sure that your child has the items that he or she needs.
- **School Attendance** is very important! If your child is going to be absent from school, call the school office between 8 and 9 AM to tell us why your child will be absent.
- **Salem School Folder** will be given to each child the first week of school. The folder will provide you with more information and forms that will need to be signed and returned
- **Salem Elementary is Title1 Schoolwide** and we have identified and developed school-wide strategies and goals that are identified in our Ohio Improvement Plan.

Kindness Counts and Words Matter!

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