

Principal's Newsletter

September 1, 2023



Dear Nixon Families,

Welcome to the beginning of your child's life-long education! It is so exciting to watch their curiosity take off as they learn not only their basic reading, writing, math, science and social science skills, but also develop their social skills. Missing even a half day of school can set them behind and cause them additional stress.

"Students who miss school miss a lot. They miss the social experiences and connection that other children are having – lessons and relationships that help with fitting in and succeeding in school and life." (The Critical Importance of Addressing Chronic Absence in the Early Grades)

Elementary School is the foundation of their education and if it is not properly built, it becomes statistically less likely that they'll be successful learners. Missing only 1 day every other week means they will have missed more than 10% of their learning opportunities. Missing 1 day a week takes that up to almost 25% of their learning opportunities missed. Please limit the absence to student illness and emergencies affecting the student directly only. Thank you and have a great school year.

Cordially,

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Important Announcements

No Snacks in the Classrooms: For safety and health reasons this school year we will not allow snacks in the classrooms, except for Winter and end of the year celebrations. If you wish to share cupcakes on your child's birthday, please wait until dismissal when all the students are lined up ready for pick-up. Thank you for your cooperation.

Entry is at 7:45 am: Parents need to wait for their students outside of the waiting area and leave space for all students to line-up and enter the building. You cannot park in the perimeter of the school from 7:00 am- 4:30 pm.

Dismissal is at 2:45 pm: Parents may wait in the corresponding waiting area. For our students' safety, no one is allowed to wait near the exit doors. Do not park in the perimeter of the school before 4:30 pm.

Parent Committees: Come to our meeting this Wednesday, September 6 at 8:30 am.

Happening at Nixon!

Good Start! We are focused on standards-based instruction.



Our first Network visit was a success! Our classrooms show a positive culture.

