

Sunnyview

Where Dreams Come True

WELCOME BACK

We hope that everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. We're so glad that you are here with us again this year, and Welcome to our new parents. We are very excited about some new things that we are doing this year.

HOUSE SYSTEM

This year we are implementing the House System which promotes positive behaviors, community building and relationships. Every class will have 6 house colors that represent the 6 pillars of Character Count; Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship. Students in 1st and 2nd grade know their colors and Kindergarten will get their colors next week. The Imprint Doctor (t-shirt company) will be sending order forms home for a \$5 House t-shirt. The name of the House will be on the back of the shirt. The design is below. On Mondays we will be conducting House Celebrations and Meetings so we're asking everyone to be at school by 7:30 to participate. They will start on August 20th for 1st and 2nd and on August 27th, PreK and K will join us.



MORNING MEETINGS

This year we will also be having daily morning meetings with the students in their classroom, except on Mondays due to the House Meetings. These meetings are setup to provide opportunities for students to share feelings, ideas and experiences in order to build trust, mutual understanding, shared values and shared behaviors. These meetings start at 7:45 so make sure your child is on time for school.

New Staff Members

We would like to welcome to Sunnyview the following people:
 Ms. Tara Spikes-AP
 Ms. Sabine McCollum-Secretary
 Officer Matthew Micheli
 Ms. Breck Oliver-2nd
 Mr. Andy Adzima-Music
 Ms. Karen Pence-Art
 Wendy Glenn-Cafe
 Teresa Buckner-Cafe

Open Houses

The following days have been set aside for our Open Houses. First and second grade will have theirs on Thursday, August 16th from 6-7 P.M. We will start in the gym and then move to the classrooms. PreK and Kindergarten will have theirs on Monday, August 20th from 6-7 P.M. Kindergarten will be in the gymnasium. It will be important for you to attend this meeting because the teachers will be giving an overview of the new Kindergarten Progress Report Card.

SCHOOL THEME

This year our theme is “Disney”. Each grade level has a specific Disney movie; PreK-*Monsters Inc*, K-*Muana*, 1st-*Toy Story*, 2nd-*The Incredibles*, Special Areas-*Mickey and Minnie*, Office Staff-*101 Dalmatians*

SCHOOL GOALS

We are still focusing on three goals for our school. They are reading, math and Chronic Absenteeism.

Our three main goals this year are:

- Increasing student growth in reading as measured by our Universal Screener that is given three times a year.
- Increasing student growth in math as measured by our Universal Screener that is given three times a year.
- Decreasing our number of absenteeism at our school, especially chronic absenteeism.

According to the state of Tennessee research shows:

Tennessee students who are chronically absent in kindergarten are 15 percentage points less likely to reach proficiency in either 3rd grade math or ELA. Nationally, four out of five students who miss more than 10% of both kindergarten and first grade are unable to read on grade-level by third grade.

LOOKING AHEAD

August 14th-Boy Scouts interest meeting in Sunnyview cafeteria from 6:00-7:30 P.M.

August 16th-1st and 2nd grade Open House from 6:00-7:00 P.M.

August 20th-PreK and Kindergarten Parent Orientation from 6:00-7:00 P.M.

August 22nd-First full day PreK and Kindergarten. PreK will dismiss at 1:00 P.M. and Kindergarten will dismiss at 2:45 P.M.

August 28th- Wilhite and Oliver will be on a field trip to Safety City.

August 29th- Clark and Snider will be on a field trip to Safety City.

August 30th-September 19th-K-2nd grades will be taking a Universal Screener in reading and math.

September 3rd-No School

Shades of Development

We now have an on-site after school care that serves PreK-2nd grade. If you are interested in your child attending the Shades program, you can contact them at sunnyview@shadesofdevelopment.org or 865-938-9164.

School Procedures

Arrival time is 7:45. Doors open at 7:00. Students will either eat breakfast or go into the gym until 7:30.

On Mondays, we would like all students at school at 7:30 for our House Celebration and Meetings.

Students arriving after 7:45 are tardy and will need to be escorted into the building by a parent. Dismissal is at 2:45 for students in grades K-2nd. Please no early dismissal unless it's an emergency or doctor's appointment.

PTA

We have a PTA board that is new and working hard for our children. We are looking for parents to join and participate in our PTA. Membership is \$6.00. PTA will be painting our bathrooms with positive sayings on August 24th and 25th. If you can volunteer for this project, please