

HARBOR HILL SCHOOL

"Celebrating Children"

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Dear Harbor Hill Families:

WELCOME BACK

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 2017-2018 school year at Harbor Hill School. Although there's no time like the summertime, September is always exciting. We have been busy all summer preparing for the arrival of Harbor Hill's incredible students on opening day. We look forward to seeing the children, catching up on all of their great summer stories and welcoming them to a new school year.

First Day of School

The **first day of school will be Tuesday, September 5, 2017**. This year, our first day of school will also be a Superintendent's Conference day. As such, there will be a **2 hour delayed opening** for students. Buses will be running 2 hours later than their usual start time. **Harbor Hill doors will open at 10:05am. There will be a regular dismissal time of 2:35pm.** A regular school schedule of 8:05am to 2:35pm will be in effect Wednesday, September 6th. Special area teachers and other staff members will greet the students as they arrive to assist and guide them as they locate their classrooms.

Bus Transportation

Bus transportation will be provided for all students. Bus passes and bus schedules will be mailed to you by the end of this month from the Transportation Office. If you have not yet received your bus schedule, please call the Transportation Office at 801-5190. In order to ensure a smooth transition for our first graders, we are requesting that they wear a name tag that will be mailed home to you. In addition, all first graders will be seated in the front rows of the bus. The drivers have been made aware of this and look forward to seeing all of your children as they begin the new school year.

Cafeteria (Breakfast)

Every morning, the cafeteria offers a brown bag breakfast of cereal or bagel with milk and juice. Additional breakfast selections are listed on the monthly breakfast menu which is located on the Roslyn website (www.roslynschools.org). **The cost of the breakfast is \$1.50.** Students who were unable to have breakfast at home may stop at the cafeteria as they enter the school, purchase a breakfast bag, and eat breakfast in their classroom during the time when attendance is taken.

Cafeteria (Lunch)

The cafeteria will be open for lunch as of the first day of school. Daily food selections are listed on the monthly menu which is located on the Roslyn website (www.roslynschools.org). **The cost of lunch is \$2.50.** Our cafeteria offers a wide variety of lunches. Please review the selections with your child before the school day so your child will be prepared to order his/her lunch when the teacher takes the lunch count.

Prepayment for Breakfast and Lunch

The automated **Point-of-Sale (POS)** food service system (ScholarChip) continues to be available to families this year and is accessible on line at www.scholarconnect.com. This system is designed to add flexibility to your payment options while eliminating the risk of forgetting or losing money. Information describing this system in detail is available on the Roslyn website.

Prepayment is also available by sending or bringing a check or cash to school. Checks should be made payable to **Roslyn UFSD School Lunch Fund**. Please remember to include your child's name and teacher in the memo section of the check. The list of students with prepaid meals is kept by the cashier in the cafeteria through the use of a computerized system. The purchase of breakfast or lunch does not have to be made every day. As your child makes a purchase, his/her account is debited by the charges for that particular day.

Snacks

Please encourage your child to bring healthy snacks to school for classroom snack time. You can find a list of suggested healthy snacks from the District Wellness Policy in the Harbor Hill Parent/Student Handbook located on the Harbor Hill webpage.

August Visit

The school will not be available for parents and students to visit this year due to ongoing construction. If you have questions or need to contact us, please call the main office at 516-801-5400.

Open House

You will have an opportunity to meet the teachers and see the classrooms at our **Harbor Hill Open House** that will be held on **Thursday, September 28, 2017**. Additional information concerning the times of this event will follow after the first day of school. At Open House, you will have the opportunity to visit your child's classroom and meet your child's classroom teacher, as well as learn about grade level curriculum, specials, and classroom activities.

On behalf of everyone at Harbor Hill I wish you and your child all the best for a wonderful school year. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Sincerely,

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