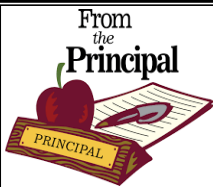




MULICK PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Home of the "Cub STARS"

September 2019



From
the
Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome Back and THANK YOU for a smooth start to the 2019-20 school year!

As we begin this new school year, we have been working with the students to get them allocated to the rules and procedures of school. Please talk with your child about the expectations of coming to school and what is expected of them. Parents, take the time to motivate your child before coming to school, encourage them to do their best and be well behaved.

We look forward to having a wonderful and rewarding school year!

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today"
~Malcolm X

Kindly,

Thomas Standifer, Principal

REMINDERS:



October 2 Count Day
October 22 & 24 Conferences
October 28 No School (Records Day)
October 29 End of 1st Marking Period

Mulick's Timeline:

8:10 Doors open - Breakfast is served
8:25 First bell - Breakfast is over
8:30 School starts (Tardy after 8:30)
3:26 School Dismissal



Tuesday, October 1

Uniforms required!

Order forms coming home soon

Visit <https://inter-state.com/kiosk> and sign up to receive helpful email reminders from Inter-State Studio and...

- Picture Day Reminders with links to order online before Picture Day
- An email link to view your child's digital picture and order online, shortly after Picture Day



MAKE A DIFFERENCE AT MULICK PARK!

Our first Parent-Teacher Community Council (PTCC) meeting will take place at Mulick Park School on Monday, September 16 @ 5:30 pm.

Come join us as we learn about this year's special events and in-school programming.

We look forward to your input!



DAILY SCHEDULE

8:10 - 8:25 Buses drop off/Breakfast

Students should not arrive to school before 8:10 as there is no supervision before this time

8:25 First Bell Rings~students enter classrooms

8:30 Tardy Bell~Class Begins (Students are tardy after 8:30)

10:25 - 10:40 Recess K-2

11:30 - 12:10 Lunch/Outside (K, 1st, 2nd)

11:55 - 12:35 Lunch/Outside (3rd, 4th, 5th)

1:55 - 2:10 Recess K-2nd

2:45 - 3:00 Recess 3rd-5th

3:26 Dismissal Bell



END OF DAY DISMISSAL

Students getting to and from school safely is a top concern of Mulick Park. Students are expected to follow the same protocol every day when they leave the school. If they are assigned to a bus, they are to get on the bus, unless other arrangements have been made by parent with the office. The office will then notify the teacher. **Changes cannot be made after 2:00 pm.**

When picking students up at the end of the day, please wait until the dismissal bell to get students. This is a hectic time for classrooms with children going in all directions. If you would like to speak to the teacher, please wait until they are done with their duties so they can direct their attention to ensuring students get home safe.

Reporting Absences

The Michigan Compulsory Attendance Law requires students between the ages of 6 and 16 to have **prompt daily** school attendance. You must call our office (819-2810) if your child will be absent or late for any reason. Frequent tardiness and absenteeism will be closely monitored. Students who acquire more than (3) unexcused absences will be called on by a family support specialist. Please refer to the Student Policy Handbook for more information on the district policy.

Please remember to call in your child's absence!



TRANSPORTATION!!

Remind your student to obey bus rules!!

It is important that ALL students are safe when riding the school bus. Students are expected to adhere to the same rules and responsibilities as being in school. School rules and regulations apply at all times. Misbehavior on a bus is distracting to driving and interferes with the safety of all students.

A student's right to school bus transportation is a privilege, dependent on good behavior. In cases where a student seriously or continuously misbehaves, Parent/Guardian will be notified by the School Principal, or designee. Transportation privileges will be revoked if in the opinion of the School Principal, or designee, such action is necessary for the general safety and well-being of every student.

(GRPS Policy 2018-19 Student Handbook)

UNIFORMS

DRESS
CODE

Grand Rapids Public Schools requires that all students in K-12 wear uniforms.

- Pants/Shorts: Navy blue, tan/khaki, or black
- Shirts: Light blue, navy blue, white, red, black, and orange **collared** shirts. No t-shirts!

Students are expected to be in uniform each day at school. If your child is not in uniform, he/she is not in compliance with the District's Uniform Policy. Non-compliance may result in a letter to parents, detention/loss of privileges, and a meeting or phone conference with parent. Refer to the Student Handbook for full enforcement rules.



WE NEED A PAL LEADER!

Mulick Park School is in need of a Parent Action Leader (PAL).

The PAL engages the involvement and support of other parents at the school to promote parental involvement that is critical to student achievement. Their role is essential in how we engage the involvement and support of other parents.

PAL functions: attend Citywide PAL meetings (four times a year), recruiting parents, be active in PTCC, increase parental involvement, support district focus, interact with principal and staff, participate in key events throughout the school year (conferences, open house, PTCC meetings, etc) and submit monthly PAL updates.

There is a small stipend for being a PAL Leader. If you are interested or need more information, please contact Principal Standifer at 616-819-2810.



HELLO FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Nurse Kathleen, school nurse
Mrs. Melanie, school health aide

We are currently collecting student health information. Please be sure to go online and complete your child's health information, for example - asthma, allergies, eczema, no health concerns, etc. Also, a friendly reminder to have an adult bring in any medications that your child may need to take at school and sign our medication consent form. Our goal is to keep your child healthy and safe while they are here at school so they can be successful. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

At Mulick Park School, we partner with Kids Food Basket and Hand2Hand to provide food to families in need.



If your family could benefit from a daily sack supper and/or a weekend bag of nonperishable food items and you have not received an opt-in form, feel free to pick one up in the office.



Read by Grade 3 Law

Beginning with this school year, third grade students can be retained if they are not meeting reading levels requirements, per the Read by Grade Three Law.

In 2016, the Michigan Legislature passed a law that requires schools to identify learners who are struggling with reading and writing and to provide additional help. The law states that third graders may repeat third grade if they are more than one grade level behind beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

More information about this law can be found on the State of Michigan website, michigan.gov.

