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First Grade at Barrington Elementary

Dear First Grade Parents,

Welcome to First Grade at Barrington Elementary. This year will go quickly and it will be amazing to see the growth in your child in one year. With the many changes that go on with First Grade, the first grade teachers and PTO First Grade Orientation Committee have developed a plan to help your child through the transition. We are here to offer assistance and support and hope you will find the following information helpful.

Most important for you to know is that your children will be supervised and well taken care of by their teachers, volunteer parents and staff. Listed below are processes that have been created.

1. The First Grade Teachers will walk with their students to the cafeteria each day during the first week of school until they are situated and have everything they need.
2. A pool of volunteer parents will be also available during the first and second week of school to walk your children to and from the classroom to the cafeteria. These volunteers will be in the cafeteria both weeks to help children at lunch and to direct them to bathrooms and recess.
3. Your children will have 20 minutes to eat their lunch before they are released by table to the playground for recess.
4. Additionally, we will ask for some volunteer 1st Grade parents to arrive at dismissal a few minutes early during the first two weeks of school to assist students with class dismissal, Stop-Drop & Go and walking to SACC.
5. All parent volunteers will be readily identified with their green/white Paw Print volunteer badge.

Some helpful hints for your incoming First Grade students:

1. Work with your children on how to open their lunch boxes, containers, juice boxes, etc.
2. Provide your child with hand-sanitizer or gel in his/her lunch box to be sure clean hands are the priority before eating lunch.
3. You will receive information regarding your cafeteria account. Some popular items and their prices are listed below (based on last year). Nutritional guidelines are changing nationwide and Barrington will follow any new requirements.

Bottled Water (20 oz.) \$1.00	Moovers Milkshakes \$1.50	Fresh Fruit \$.75
Bottled Water (10 oz.) \$.50	Chips \$.50	Bagel \$.50 and Cream Cheese \$.35
Fruit Juice (8 oz.) \$.50	String Cheese \$.40	Bosco Sticks (2) \$1.50
Milk \$.40	Salad \$.70	Donatos Pizza lunch (Tuesday) \$3.65

With the support of the Barrington PTO, we are happy to be a part of the First Grade Orientation committee and looking forward to a great start to the school year. Please feel free to contact us if you need further information. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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PTO President

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First Grade Orientation Chair