

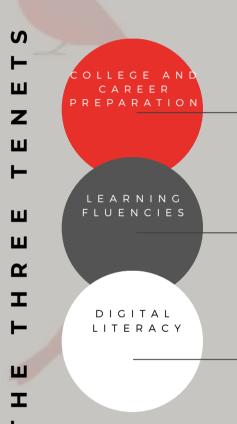
# ROSEMARIE ANN SIRAGUSA FAMILY HANDBOOK 2024-2025

# MISSION STATEMENT

Students engage in a rigorous academic program that fosters college and career preparation, digital literacy and learning fluencies. Our learning community celebrates diversity and empowers students to learn as they evolve into active global citizens.







- Goal setting and organizational skills
- Cross-cultural communication skills
- Academic and Professional pathway introduction
- Adapt and apply knowledge
- Global Awareness and Civics
- Character building and Leadership Skills
- Metacognitive skills
- Digital Citizenship
- Technology integration





There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about.

MARGARET J. WHEATLEY







## WELCOME

Dear Students and Families, Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! At

Rosemarie Ann Siragusa Global Academy, our dedication and support of students and families not only unite us, but define us,

Our instructional practices, daily actions and intentions support our commitment to the 3 tenets: College and Career Preparation, Learning Fluencies, and Digital Literacy.

This Family Handbook is designed to familiarize you with building-wide procedures and expectations at Rosemarie Ann Siragusa Global Academy, Please be sure to review the contents of this book carefully.

As a school community, the partnership we share with our parents and guardians is essential to the success of our scholars and the achievement of our entire school. Parents are encouraged to get involved in school events and to support the school by joining our amazing PTA. There are many resources for parents to utilize at home to further support student learning at home.

Sincerely, Mrs. Melanie Vancol



#### MELANIE VANCOL

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2024-2025

# Table of Organization

ADMINSTRATION

VANCOL, MELANIE

Principal

OFFICE STAFF

SAFETY OFFICER

FIGUEROA, VERONICA Clerk II
CARDONA, MAGDALENA Clerk I

HENE RODRIGUEZ

CUSTODIAL STAFF

DEMEO, JOHN SANTINI, FRANCO SOTO, RAFAEL HEAD CUSTODIAN CUSTODIAN CUSTODIAN

HEALTH SERVICES

ALEXANDRA MEDRANDA Nurse

# F A C U L T Y

#### FACULTY GRADE/SUBJECT

PreK- Room 6

PreK-Room 5

ACEVEDO, CANDLE PELLI, KIMBERLY RUGE-TINOCO ZULEIMA PEPPER, TARA DIMONDO, FELICE ROWLAND, DAYLE SIMMS, JILL NEALIS-MERNA, BROOKE RUFFALO, MICHELLE MARTIN, ROSE DIMURO, MARIA KONTOS, EFFIE SUSSINGHAM, ANNMARIE CLARK, JEAN PERONNEAU, DANIELLE POWER, CATHERINE BERNSTEIN, JODI BERNACCHIA, NOELLE KEAVENEY-MURRAY, MARY REILLY, PATRICIA MEEGAN, LAUREN ADAMSON-CARROLL, ERICA ALIBERTI, STAMATIA CHASSE, SUZANNE DAVILA, JOSE FERGUSON, SHAINA

> GILMARTIN, SHEILA KAVANAH, JOHN MARTINEZ, NANCY MCHUGH, CLAIRE MOLINA, MEAGAN

PreK-Room4 K- Room 11 K-Room 8 1- Room 1A 1- Room 1B 2- Room 24 2- Room 22 3- Room 21 3-Room 20 4- Room 33 4- Room 32 5-Room 35 5- Room 34 6- Room 2A 6-Room 2B 5/6- Room 13 1/2- Room 7 6- Room 1 4- Room 12 2/3- Room 23 4/5- Room 10 ENL- Full time Reading- Full time Music-Shared (Mon-AM, Wed, Fri) Guidance Counselor-Shared (Mon, Tues, Wed-PM) Teaching Assistant Physical Education Speech ESL Social Worker



#### FACULTY

RODRIGUEZ, ELIZABETH TALTY, BEVIN TIERNEY, STEPHANIE VALDOVINOS, EDITH ACOSTA, BETHANY ARMISTEAD, PHYLLIS BARFIELD, TYASIA BRAUTIGAM, DANIELLE CASEY, EMILY CIPOLLONE, ROSA COLON, ASHLYN CRUZ, MARISOL DEL'OSTIA, JACQUELYN DUNKLEY, RENNE FOSTER, TRACY GARRIDO, NANCIS GILMARTIN, SHEILA HARRIS, YOLANDA HOYOS, NELY KHENG, NIE NIE KOUAKOU, RACHEL LANDRAU, VIVIAN LOPEZ, BARBIE PAYNE, CHRISTINA RAMIREZ, MARIA RODRIGUEZ, YORDANY SCARINGELLA, GINA VASQUEZ, MARIA VELLUCCI, KERRI

Resource Psychologist Art Speech Therapist School Aide 1:1 School Aide School Aide School Aide School Aide School Aide School Aide 1:1 School Aide 1.1 School Aide 1.1 School Aide School Aide School Aide School Aide School Aide School Aide 1.1 School Aide School Aide School Aide

# Rosemarie Siragusa

School comprehensive educational plan (SCEP) COMMITMENTS



## #1

We are committed to identifying and addressing the barriers to regular attendance.

# #3

We are committed to increasing family engagement.

## #2

We are committed to strengthening students' writing skills with a cohesive writing focus across all content areas.

# #4

We are committed to ensuring that all students will be reading at grade level by the third grade (MBK Milestone 2).



# MARKING PERIODS & REPORT CARD Pre-K & K SCHEDULE

1st Marking Period- September 5-January 24

2nd Marking Period-January 27-June27

#### REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION DATES

- Week of February 3, 2025
- Week of June 23, 2024

# 1-6 SCHEDULE

Fall Marking Period- Sept 5-November 27

Winter Marking Period- December 2- March 21

Spring Marking period- March 24-June 27

# INTERIM PROGRESS REPORTS will go out as follows:

- 1st: WEEK OF OCTOBER 28, 2024
- 2nd: WEEK OF February 10, 2025
- 3rd: WEEK OF May 19, 2025

#### **REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION DATES:**

- WEEK OF DECEMBER 9, 2024
- WEEK OF MARCH 11, 2025
- WEEK OF JUNE 23, 2025







#### STUDENT ATTENDANCE

The State of New York requires every student to attend school every day unless he/she has a legal excuse.

If your child must stay home for an illness (fever or contagious virus) you must contact the main office by 9:00am to alert the school of their absence. In the event of an absence, a written excuse for the day(s) of absence(s) is required. The note must have the student's full name and should be signed and dated by a parent/guardian. In the event that your child is absent for 3 days, a written doctor's note should be submitted.

Early dismissal is not advisable. Any parent who must pick up their child before the end of the school day because of an emergency must call and alert the main office before 11:00a.m. and send in a written note.

Vacations outside of the approved Yonkers Public Schools calendar <u>are not approved</u> and will be recorded as unexcused absences. Link to school calendar:

https://www.yonkerspublicschools.org/cms/lib/NY01814060/Centricity/Domain/4/2024-25-official-calendar-rev-06-28-2024.pdf

Parents are asked to make appointments after school hours to optimize instructional time. No student will be dismissed after 2:45pm as it interferes with dismissal.



# When Do Absences Become a Problem?



# A Note to School

ROSEMARIE ANN SIRAGUSA GLOBAL ACADEMY

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Date:			
Student's Na	ame		
Teacher's Na	ame		
Grade:			
Bus Number	-		
Will be picked up too	day at dismissal by:		
Will be picked up ear	ly today at:		
by:	Reason:		
Was absent on:			
Reason:			
Was late today beca	use:		
Parent Signature:			
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This note can be located in the main office and also on our school webpage. This can be submitted in person or also to our Power School Clerk, Ms. Cardona at mcardona@yonkerspublicschools.org

## **DRESS CODE**

To reinforce the continuation of a safe and secure environment for your child, all students are expected to dress in compliance with the Yonkers Code of Conduct.

Students are expected to be attired in accordance with the District Dress Code:

- 1. Students may not wear extremely revealing garments such as, tube tops, net tops, halter tops or see-through fabrics.
- 2. Undergarments must be completely covered with clothing. Pants and/or shorts are to be worn at the waist.
- 3. Footwear must be worn at all times. Footwear that is a safety hazard, such as but not limited to, flip-flops or sandals without a heel strap are not allowed.
- 4. Clothing which promotes inappropriate products or activities are prohibited.
- 5. Clothing will be considered inappropriate if it contains obscenities or denigrates others.
- 6. Headgear of any kind including, but not limited to, hats, caps, and hoods may not be worn in school, with the exception of headgear for religious or medical purposes.
- 7. Clothing generally accepted as "outer wear" may not be worn in the classroom.

# SPIRIT FRIDAYS

Every Friday will be a Spirit Wear day! Please wear red and black and show off your Siragusa Pride.

Spirit Wear will be available to purchase from the PTA.

# **CELL PHONE POLICY**

Student possession and use of cell phones, portable video games, music players, smart watches, and other electronic devices is counter to our school's educational mission. Repeated studies have shown that cell phones distract students, lower their grades, increase bullying, and encourage theft. The cell phone policy is:

- Students in Pre-Kindergarten-3rd grade <u>may not bring</u> any cell phone or electronic device to school.
- Students in 4th grade and above who are bussed or dropped off and picked up at school should not bring any cell phone or electronic device to school.
- Students in 4th grade and above who walk to and from school may bring a cell phone to school. They may not bring any other electronic device. Any student with a cell phone must follow the policy below:
  - Cell phones must be powered off and placed in students' bags upon entry to the building.
  - Cell phones may not be used or displayed at any time during the school day.

#### Special Reminders for Parents:

- The school will at no time be responsible for students' personal property, including cell phones. Cell phones that are lost, damaged, or stolen at school are the exclusive responsibility of the student and their family.
- Parents/Guardians who need to reach students are to call the school's main office at (914)376-8570 to get in touch with their child if necessary, and particularly in an emergency.



# SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS



#### REMINDERS

- Every student must have a bookbag.
- Every student must bring a reusable water bottle daily labeled with their first and last name
- Every student will need a pair of headphones for computer assessments. These may not be blue tooth. Earbuds are not recommended for the early grades.
- · Every Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten student should bring a full change of clothes in a large zip lock bag labeled with their name.
- It is recommended that you send the supplies across the first two days as it can be a lot for students to carry.



#### AT HOME ITEMS:



It is important that your child has access to the following at home in order to be most successful:

quiet area to work on homework and read

- Access to books and a library card
- laptop or computer.
- printer with ink
- pencils, scissors, glue, and art supplies for projects



# SUPPLY LIST- GRADE PRE-K



#### **ESSENTIALS**

BOOKBAG

2 BOXES OF CRAYONS

2-PRIMARY NOTEBOOKS (LABELED)

GLUE (PACK OF 12 STICKS AND 1 LIQUID)

2 PLASTIC FOLDERS (RED & LABELED WITH NAME)

1 TUB PLAY DOH

CONSTRUCTION

WATERCOLOR SET

4 EXPO DRY ERASE MARKERS

WASHABLE MARKERS

HEADPHONES (NO EARBUDS AND LABELED)



# OTHER CLASSROOM SUPPLIES



HAND SANITIZER (1)

TISSUE BOXES (3)

CLOROX WIPES (1)

PAPER TOWELS (2)

BOX OF GALLON ZIPLOCK BAGS

2 PACKS OF WHITE COMPUTER PAPER

BABY WIPES (2)

1 BAG OF KINETIC SAND

SLEEPING BAG OR MAT

DAILY SNACK

CHANGE OF CLOTHES IN A BAG (LABELED WITH NAME)





SUPPLY LIST- GRADE KINDERGARTEN



# ESSENTIALS

**BOOKBAG** 

CRAYONS (2)

5 MARBLE NOTEBOOKS (PRIMARY LINED)

4 GLUE STICKS AND 1 ELMERS GLUE

3 FOLDERS (RED, YELLOW, BLUE)

#### WRITING

CONSTRUCTION PAPER

1 BOX OF TICONDEROGA PENCILS

1 SET OF WATER COLOR PAINTS

1BOX OF CRAYOLA WASHABLE MARKERS

1 PAIR SAFETY SCISSORS



# OTHER CLASSROOM SUPPLIES

HAND SANITIZER (1)

TISSUE BOXES (2)

CLOROX WIPES (1)

PAPER TOWELS (1)

1 PACK OF PLAY DOH

BABY WIPES

HEADPHONES (NO EARBUDS)

1 PACK OF COPY PAPER

1 SMOCK OR T-SHIRT FOR ART

DAILY SNACK (LABELED WITH NAME)

CHANGE OF CLOTHES IN A BAG (LABELED WITH NAME)





# SUPPLY LIST- GRADE - 1



#### DAY 1- IN A 2 GALLON BAG WITH CHILD'S NAME:

SOFT PENCIL CASE AND LARGE HARD BOX

1 SMALL CLOSED SHARPENER (WITH CAP)

4 PACKS OF #2 TICONDEROGA PENCILS

> 3 PACKS OF 24 CRAYONS

16 ERASABLE PENS, 8 RED AND 8 BLUE 1 LARGE PACK OF COLORED PENCILS

1 PAIR OF SAFETY SCISSORS

4 YELLOW HIGHLIGHTERS

8 LARGE GLUE STICKS

1 PAIR HEADPHONES (NOT EAR BUDS)



# DAY 2- IN A LARGE SHOPPING BAG:

4 WIDE RULED COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS: LABELED WORD AND WRITING JOURNAL, SPELLING

1 WIDE RULED SINGLE SUBJECT SPIRAL NOTEBOOK LABELED INTERACTIVE NOTEBOOK 4 PLASTIC FOLERS WITH POCKETS AND LABELED: 1RED- CLASSROOM 1YELLOW- SIGHT WORD 1BLUE- PORTFOLIO 1 ORANGE- TESTING

> 1 COLORING BOOK FOR INDOOR RECESS

Please have pencils, crayons, glue, and scissors at home for homework



# **SUPPLY LIST- GRADE- 2**



#### **ESSENTIALS**

4 PINK ERASERS

6 WIDE RULED MARBLE NOTEBOOKS

1 BOX OF 24 CRAYOLA CRAYONS

1 PACK OF HIGHLIGHTERS

2 BOXES CRAYOLA MARKERS (THIN AND THICK)

1 PACK EXPO MARKERS

1 PENCIL SHARPENER WITH LID

1 PACK POST IT NOTES

TISSUE BOXES (2)

CLOROX WIPES (1)

1BOX QUART ZIPLOC BAGS

1 BOX PINT ZIPLOC

BAGS

8 GLUE STICKS

6-PLASTIC POCKET FOLDERS (BLUE, YELLOW, 2 RED, GREEN, PURPLE

2 BOXES OF SHARPENED #2 PENCILS

1 BOX COLORED PENCILS

SAFETY SCISSORS

HEADPHONES (NO EARBUDS)



## ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES REQUESTED:



1 PACK OF CONSTRUCTION PAPER

ONE REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE WITH CHILD'S NAME

BOTTLE OF ELMER'S

1 PLASTIC PENCIL BOX

12 INCH RULER WITH CENTIMETERS & INCHES

BABY WIPES

1 PACK OF COLORED POST IT



# **SUPPLY LIST- GRADE- 3**



#### **ESSENTIALS**

5 MARBLE COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS

1 PACKAGE WIDE RULED LOOSELEAF

2 RECTANGULAR ERASERS

12 INCH RULER WITH CENT. AND INCHES

1BOX OF CRAYONS

#### 2 GLUE STICKS

5-PLASTIC POCKET FOLDERS (BLUE, YELLOW, RED, GREEN, PURPLE

2 BOXES OF SHARPENED PENCILS

1 BOX COLORED PENCILS

SAFETY SCISSORS

HEADPHONES (NO EARBUDS)



# ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES REQUESTED:

TISSUE BOXES (2)

CLOROX WIPES (1)

1PACK OF COPY PAPER REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE WITH NAME

1 PLASTIC PENCIL BOX







#### **ESSENTIALS**

6 MARBLE COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS

3 PACKS OF WIDE RULED LOOSELEAF

2 RECTANGULAR ERASERS

12 INCH RULER WITH CENT. AND INCHES

> SMALL BOX OF CRAYONS AND COLORED PENCILS

PENCIL SHARPENER (WITH LID)

TISSUE BOXES (4)

BABY WIPES

1PACK OF COPY PAPER

HEADPHONES OR EARBUDS (LABELED WITH NAME)



6-PLASTIC POCKET FOLDERS (BLUE, YELLOW, 2 RED, GREEN, PURPLE

2 BOXES OF SHARPENED PENCILS

8 PACKS POST IT NOTES

SAFETY SCISSORS

2 PACKS OF BLUE OR BLACK PENS

HIGHLIGHTERS (YELLOW, PINK, GREEN, BLUE, ORANGE)

> ENGLISH POCKET DICTIONARY

8 DRY ERASE EXPO FINE TIP MARKERS

ONE REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE WITH CHILD'S NAME

2 PENCIL CASES: ONE SOFT AND ONE HARD









#### **ESSENTIALS**

1 1.5 INCH HARD COVER

2 PACK STICK GLUE

4 MARBLE NOTEBOOKS

2 FIVE-SUBJECT SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS RED

ENGLISH POCKET DICTIONARY & THESAURUS

12 INCH RULER WITH CENT. AND INCHES (CLEAR)

2 PACKS OF COLLEGE RULED LOOSELEAF



SMALL PACK OF COLORED PENCILS OR CRAYONS

TISSUE BOXES (2)

PAPER TOWELS (1)

BABY WIPES (1)

1 HAND SANITIZER

2 BOXES CLOROX WIPES SMALL INDEX CARDS-100 COUNT

1 MULTI PACK CHISEL TIP HIGHLIGHTERS

6-PLASTIC POCKET FOLDERS (BLUE, YELLOW, ORANGE, RED, GREEN, PURPLE

3 BOXES OF SHARPENED PENCILS

> 1 PACK LARGE PINK ERASERS

> > CLIPBOARD

2 PACKS OF BLUE OR BLACK PENS

EARBUDS (NOT BLUETOOTH)



8 THIN MULTI-COLORED EXPO MARKERS WITH ERASER (LABELED)

FLASH DRIVE (8G)

PENCIL SHARPENER WITH CASE

LARGE, SOFT PENCIL CASE

2 PACKS OF POST ITS

All students should have a homework planner.
Please make sure to label all of your child's items





# **SUPPLY LIST- GRADE- 6**



## **ESSENTIALS**

4 MARBLE NOTEBOOKS

2-5-SUBJECT NOTEBOOKS 4 HIGHLIGHTERS

1 PACK OF INDEX CARDS

COLORED PENS

1 PACKAGE OF LOOSELEAF PAPER

1 PACK OF BLUE AND BLACK PENS



POCKET FOLDERS TO MATCH NOTEBOOK COLORS (5)

#2 PENCILS (4 BOXES)

COLORED PENS

**6** 

HAND SANITIZER

TISSUE BOXES (2)

1 PACK OF COPY PAPER

CLOROX WIPES (1)

GLUE STICKS (2)

EARBUDS (LABELED WITH NAME)

PENCIL CASE OF YOUR CHOICE



SUPPLY LIST- ESSENTIAL SKILLS 1/2

**ROOM #07** 



# **ESSENTIALS**

5 PLASTIC 2 POCKET FOLERS (RED, BLUE, YELLOW, GREEN, ORANGE)

1 INCH BINDER (HARD COVER)

4 MARBLE NOTEBOOKS

3 PACKAGES OF #2 PENCILS (SHARPENED)

TISSUE BOXES (2)

1HAND SOAP/SANITIZER

CLOROX WIPES (1)

4 GLUE STICKS (LARGE)

1 PACK OF INDEX CARDS

1 PACKAGE OF EXPO DRY ERASE MARKERS (THIN)

2 HIGHLIGHTERS

1 PACKAGE OF POST IT NOTES

1BOX OF CRAYONS 1BOX MARKERS

2 LARGE ERASERS

1 GALLON SIZE ZIPLOC 1 QUART SIZE ZIPLOC

HEADPHONES LABELED WITH NAME





SUPPLY LIST- ESSENTIAL SKILLS 3

**ROOM #23** 



6 TWO POCKET FOLDERS

4 PACKAGES OF INDEX CARDS

1 INCH BINDER (HARD COVER)

5 MARBLE COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS

2 BOXES OF #2 PENCILS (SHARPENED)

TISSUE BOXES (3)

PAPER TOWEL (1)

1 HAND SANITIZER

CLOROX WIPES (2)

2 HIGHLIGHTERS

1 PACKAGE OF WHITE PAPER OR CONSTRUCTION PAPER

1 PACKAGE OF EXPO DRY ERASE MARKERS

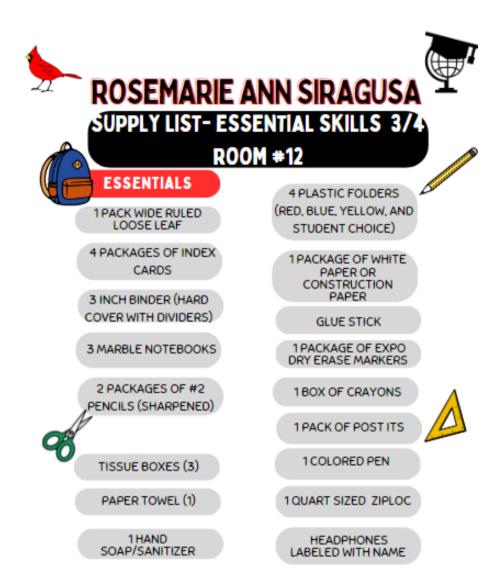
1 BOX OF CRAYONS, COLORED PENCILS OR MARKERS



1 BOX GALLON SIZED & 1 BOX SANDWICH SIZED ZIPLOC BAGGIES

HEADPHONES LABELED WITH NAME

1 LABELED REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE

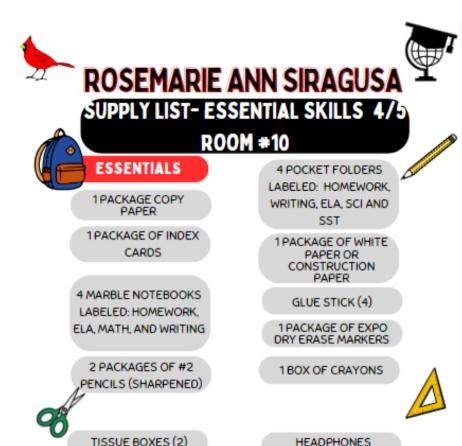


Please make sure to label all of your child's items

CLOROX WIPES (2)

PACKAGE OF ERASERS

PENCIL CASE



HEADPHONES (LABELED WITH NAME)

PENCIL CASE

Please make sure to label all items with child's name.
Place crayons, expo markers, and pencils in their
pencil box.

CLOROX WIPES (2)



**ROOM #13** 



2 PACKS COPY PAPER

1 PERSONAL PENCIL SHARPENER

3 INCH BINDER (HARD COVER WITH DIVIDERS)

4 MARBLE COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS

2 PACKAGES OF #2 PENCILS (SHARPENED)

2 BOXES OF MARKERS

TISSUE BOXES (4)

PAPER TOWEL (4)

HAND SANITIZER (3)

CLOROX WIPES (3)

3 PLASTIC FOLDERS

12 INCH RULER

1 PACKAGE OF WHITE PAPER OR CONSTRUCTION PAPER

2 GLUE STICKS & 1 ELMERS GLUE

1 PACKAGE BLACK DRY ERASE EXPO MARKERS

1 BOX OF CRAYONS AND COLORED PENCILS

> 2 BOXES HIGHLIGHTERS

> > SCISSORS

1 PACKAGE CONSTRUCTION PAPER

HEADPHONES LABELED WITH NAME

1 LARGE ERASER

PENCIL CASE





SUPPLY LIST- ESSENTIAL SKILLS 6

ROOM #01



## **ESSENTIALS**

5 SUBJECT NOTEBOOK WITH FOLDERS

4 PACKAGES OF INDEX CARDS

12 INCH RULER

3 MARBLE NOTEBOOKS

2 PACKAGES OF #2 PENCILS (SHARPENED)

2 PACKAGES OF GLUE STICKS

TISSUE BOXES (3)

1 HAND SOAP/SANITIZER 4 PLASTIC FOLDERS

PAPER MATE-SHARPWRITER MECHANICAL PENCILS, REGULAR WOOD

COLORED PENCILS, CRAYONS

ERASERS (PENCIL TOPS)

HIGHLIGHTERS

HOMEWORK FOLDER

HEADPHONES LABELED WITH NAME

PENCIL CASE

# ARRIVAL PROCEDURES PROCEDIMIENTOS DE LLEGADA

Student's first day of school is September 5, 2024. It is important from the
beginning of the school year to have a clear routine to get to school every day,
ready, and on time.

#### **Arrival**

Students are required to be in their classrooms by 8:35am. Students who arrive after 8:40am must report to obtain a late pass. Classes begin promptly at 8:35am. Students will be allowed in the building at 8:20am if they participate in the breakfast program. All other students will enter through the courtyard door number 11 at 8:30am.



# CAFETERIA PROCEDURES

All classes will have assigned tables. Students must:

- 1) Wait at the table until they are called for lunch.
- 2) Remain in their seats except when they are called up for lunch.
- 3) Refrain from throwing any food or making a mess at their table.
- 4) Students must clean their area and dispose of garbage.
- 5) Wait until each table is called for dismissal line up. Students will proceed to assigned area and will then be escorted out of the cafeteria.

Students are not permitted to leave the cafeteria without adult permission.

In order for all students to enjoy the full use and convenience of the cafeteria, these rules must be followed:

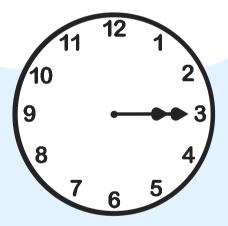
- a) Adults assigned to the cafeteria duty have total authority. Students, at the tables and in the lunch lines, are to follow adult directions.
- b) Food will be consumed during lunch periods ONLY. All students must eat lunch during their assigned lunch period in the cafeteria. Students should only be in the cafeteria during their assigned period.

# GENERAL REMINDERS

- a) Students may bring lunch from home, if desired, but no outside delivery or restaurant food can be delivered or consumed.
- b) Courtesy and respect must be demonstrated to all cafeteria employees at all times.

# **DISMISSAL PROCEDURES**

- The school adheres to a no dismissal policy between 2:45 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. If a student must be dismissed early it must be before 2:45 p.m. and the parents must have submitted a note prior to the early dismissal. It is understood that emergencies happen, and these situations will be handled by the main office staff and administration accordingly.
- All students will dismissed by 3:15 p.m. Students who have not been picked up by 3:15 p.m. will be escorted to the main office and will need to be signed out from our late log book.



# **DISMISSAL PROCEDURES**

#### **DISMISSAL BUS PROCEDURES**

Bus children begin boarding buses at 3:10 p.m. Students in grades Pre-kindergarten through 6th will be picked up from their class and escorted to their bus. • We have informed parents that NO CHILD WILL BE CALLED AFTER 2:45 P.M. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT PARENTS WAIT OUTSIDE. IF A STUDENT IS A BUS STUDENT, A WRITTEN NOTE FROM HIS/HER PARENT IS NEEDED ON DAY THEY ARE NOT TAKING THE BUS HOME. Teachers must provide all notes and letters to the main office for early dismissal before 10:00 a.m.

#### **DISMISSAL - WALKERS**

Students that walk home must provide the teacher with a note from the parent that states they allow their child to walk home. Walking notes should be submitted to the main office by September 30th. Only students in grades 4-6 can walk home with note from parent on emergency basis. Also, students <u>CANNOT</u> walk to the corner to meet their parents unless the parent provides a note.



# Birthday Celebrations

- Birthdays are important to us but special occasions don't all need to be celebrated with food to be fun!
- All students birthdays will be celebrated with a building wide weekly announcement. Students will also be invited to wear a special badge or crown on their birthday if they choose.
- On the day of the child's birthday, parents are invited to:
  - Come in and read a special book on the day
  - Come in and lead a special activity that represents your culture or family
  - Send in goodie bags with non perishable items for all students
  - Store bought cupcakes or cookies may be sent for consumption during the lunch period only

\*Please make sure to alert the classroom teacher at least a week in advance if you are planning on coming in to the classroom or sending any items.

# NY State Emergency Response S.H.E.L.L

All Schools within the District conduct a prescribed number of Fire Drills and the required Lock Down Drills on an annual basis, as required by New York State Education regulations, allowing students and staff to practice the emergency procedures of the school building. Families will be alerted when drills are conducted via the ConnectEd phone messaging system.



# Join the Parent Teacher Association

The number-one reason to join the Parent Teacher Association is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help your school. But there are many more advantages. Here are just a few:

- <u>Get Connected.</u> There's no better way to know what's happening in your school.
- <u>Discover Great Resources</u>. The PTA offers a variety of programs designed for parents as well as students.
- <u>Tap into a Network</u>. PTA functions provide opportunities to meet other parents and teachers, build rapport and discuss parenting issues that are on your mind.
- Grow your Skills. By volunteering with your PTA, you gain valuable
  experiences and personal confidence. It's an opportunity to put your skills
  and hobbies to good use for a good cause.
- Speak Up. Because PTA is a forum for exchanging ideas, you are encouraged to make suggestions and more effectively suggest change at your child's school.
- Help Your Child Succeed. PTA fosters parent involvement. Parent involvement has been proven by three decades of research to be the greatest predictor of student success.
- <u>Be a Role Model.</u> By becoming a PTA member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.
- <u>SIGN UP TODAY</u>: On the homepage of our website, you will find the membership link that will guide you on how to join. We also have sign ups in our main office.

# PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION PROPOSED MEETING SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

All general meetings at 7:00pm. Executive team will meet prior at 6:15pm

September 18

October 16

November 13

December 11 Zoom

January 15 | Zoom

February 5 | Zoom

March 12

April 9

May 7

*June 11* 



Please check out our Facebook page: The Rosemarie Ann Siragusa PTA (Formerly School 14) Family

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

# Half-day dismissal

On half-days, all students are dismissed by 12:00pm

# Inclement weather, Emergency Delay and/or School Closing

In the event that the Superintendent of Schools needs to delay the opening of schools and/or close schools for the instructional day based upon current and/or impending inclement weather conditions or for emergency conditions, the delay and/or closure will be communicated as early as possible via all current media outlets, as well as the District website and any other means of mass communications technology in use by the District. It will also be communicated on our own school webpage and social media platforms.

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