

Blast Off to LEARNING!!!!

Elms Road Elementary

August 25, 2009

Dear Elms Road Elementary Friend!

I hope you're ready for another exciting year at Elms Road Elementary. We've been busy getting the building and playground ready for you. Teachers have been preparing their classrooms and lessons, and our custodians have been cleaning and painting. I've been anxiously awaiting your arrival!

We have some new friends joining us and others in new positions. Some of the names you may recognize, while others you may not be familiar with. Mr. Bedell, Mr. Love, Ms. Keintiz, Mrs. LaFave, Mrs. Bohm, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Holderbaum, Mrs. Svinarich and Mrs. Richardson will all be working very hard to help your child be the best they can be. They too are very excited for this new journey to begin.

Our first day of school is September 8th for all students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Students in first through fifth grade will be attending school from 12:30 until 3:40. Wednesday, September 9th will be our first full day of school, and students will attend school from 8:47-3:40. Kindergarten students will receive another letter in the mail outlining specific details for that program.

If you are a bus rider we ask that you be at the bus stop an hour early. If you have transportation questions, please contact the Transportation Department at 591-2114. They will be able to answer specific questions.

Our theme for this year is "Blast off to LEARNING!" This year we will have t-shirts available for purchase beginning August 31. The cost will be \$7.00 per shirt. It is not mandatory to purchase a t-shirt, but if you do we encourage your child to wear it the first day of school.

Finally, we will be hosting a Meet-n-Greet evening for students and parents on Wednesday, September 2 from 4-6 p.m. We realize that there's a lot going on that week but we would like to give your child an opportunity to see where their classroom will be and get the lay of the land. This will not be an opportunity to speak with your child's teacher at great length. We'd like to save that opportunity for our Open House later in September, after we get to know your child better.

If you should have any questions or concerns, or would just like to chat, please give me a jingle or stop by. Can't wait to see you!!!!

Mrs. Deschaine

