

Appleby Elementary Principal
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Home of the Olympians

Dear Students, Parents and Guardians:

With the start of the 2024-2025 school year just a few weeks away, I am looking forward to seeing you all. I know summer is almost over, so enjoy every minute!

We all have high expectations for our students. As a school community, we will continue to work together to foster a safe environment and hold our students to high standards. Student safety and success are our top priorities, and I believe it is important for us and our school community to promote and support the following:

- Be respectful, kind, caring and supportive to all.
- Be on time to school and attend regularly. The importance of attendance cannot be stressed enough. If your child is absent from school, he/she will miss opportunities such as sharing and participating that cannot be duplicated the next day. Our school day starts at 8 am.
- Be proud of your school – Academics, Extracurricular and Facilities.

We also have adults shifting to new classrooms and a few new hires.

- Ms. Pendell in kindergarten
- Mrs. L. McEvoy in 5th grade
- Mrs. Mahoney in 5th grade
- Ms. Barbieri in 5th grade
- Mr. Miller in instrumental music
- Ms. Hillebrandt in choral music
- Ms. Gillette in 3rd grade
- Mr. McConnell as our librarian
- Mrs. Irish as our Occupational Therapist
- Mrs. McCracken as our Main Office receptionist
- Mrs. Alexy as an aide
- Ms. Kennedy (Guilds) as the district psychologist
- Mr. Hoyt in primary intervention and district athletic director

We have had a busy summer inside and outside Appleby. Many areas have received a fresh coat of paint and our custodial staff has worked extremely hard to have everything looking and working great for student arrival on September 4th.

Once again, parents and guardians do not need to purchase school supplies for students in grades UPK-6. Students will need a backpack from home and sneakers for PE and recess.

Two summers ago, a group of teachers at Appleby created building wide behavior expectations for all students. These expectations that we have created will be posted in every room, said on the announcements every morning and will be the expectations of every student in our building.

As an Appleby student...

- I will be kind.
- I will be respectful.
- I will be responsible.
- I will try my best.

SCHOOL HOURS

- Students transported by parents and guardians should not arrive before 7:50 am. Drop off will occur in the south parking lot by the ramp leading to the cafeteria at 7:50.
- The late bell for students is at 8:10 am.
- Dismissal will begin for car riders at 2:35 pm. The buses will load at 2:40 pm and leave Appleby by 2:50 pm.
- Office personnel are available from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. each day.

Marathon is a community deep in tradition and proud of its students at Appleby. I look forward to a wonderful school year and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. On behalf of the entire staff, we wish you well and hope you have a happy, healthy and successful school year.

Sincerely,

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