



Panther Parent Gram

A Message from Mr. McKenna

I hope everyone is having a wonderful relaxing summer and reenergizing themselves for the upcoming school year. Our building project is in full swing and I am sure you will be impressed with the many changes to our building. The new entrance, office, bus loop, and promethean boards will create a safe and state of the art learning environment for our students.

This parent gram includes a lot of important information I want you to read that will make our transition to a new school year as smooth as possible.

As always, do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions or concerns. Enjoy the rest of the summer and I look forward to seeing everyone on September 8th!!!

Back To School!

The first day of school is Tuesday, September 8th. The elementary school is prepared to receive students at 8:00am each morning. **Please do not drop children off before 8:00am in the morning as staff is unavailable to properly supervise children who arrive too early.** Students will be considered tardy if they are here after the start of classes at 8:15. The elementary school begins dismissing at 2:20pm each day. The buses will depart at 2:30pm.

Dropping Off and Picking up Procedures, Visitation and Safety

Our visitation procedure for picking up and dropping off students is the same. **Please be reminded that the main entrance is closed to traffic from 7:30-8:00am and from 2:00-2:35pm to avoid bus/car congestion and to keep students safe.** Students may enter the building at one of the following entrances: the main entrance, the entrance by the library, the entrance by Route 226, the entrance by the new gym, or the back parking lot entrance (McCoy Street) by the Science Room and the Walker's Room.

The entrance off of Route 226 will be different this year. While traveling north on Route 226 we are requiring cars to pull in the first entrance to the circle and exit the second driveway. This will allow you to let students out on the passenger side of your car avoiding open doors to oncoming traffic. The 226 entrance will have a staff member available if you wish to stay in your car. The McCoy Street parking lot will also have a staff member available to help students out of the car. If you are just dropping off your child use the lane closest to the curb and do not park there. If you want to enter the building, use the available parking spaces separate from the drop off zone. (See Map) If you have questions, please call the office at 527-9800 ext.3170.

Parents are only able to sign in and enter by the back parking lot and the main entrance. We are also requesting that parents pick their children up at the Walker's Room.

When visiting the building during school hours, there will be only one door that you may enter. It is the new front door by the flagpole which is now handicap accessible. The door has a bell for visitors to ring. Someone in the office will push a button, which will unlock the door and allow you to enter. The new entrance will lead you directly to the office where you will sign in and get a visitors badge.

School Attendance

The Campbell-Savona Elementary School is committed to working with families to support and reinforce daily attendance in school. Maintaining good daily attendance helps children to do their best. Establishing regular attendance patterns in the early grades transfers into continued good attendance throughout a student's Jr./Sr. high school years. Families can support the development of good attendance habits by seeing to it that their children attend school on a daily basis. *Should your child be absent from school due to illness or other circumstances, parents are required to send in a written note as to the reason for their child's absence from school.* Absences from school, which are not explained by a written note from home, will be noted as illegal absences.

New Staff

It is exciting to introduce to you our new staff members!

Mrs. Sutton—Secretary

Miss Jensen—Special Education/Reading Teacher

Mr. Koehler—2nd grade teacher

Mrs. Taft—Special Education Teacher

Miss Hankinson—6th grade teacher

Mrs. Wilson—1:1 Aide

Mrs. Dick—TA



Homeroom Teacher Room Assignments

Room 142	Head Start	TBA	Room 134	3rd	Ms. Carisetti
Room 141	Pre-K	Mrs. Fishbaugh	Room 135	3rd	Miss Curran
Room 152	Kindergarten	Mrs. Crooker	Room 136	3rd	Mrs. Miller
Room 153	Kindergarten	Mrs. McKeown	Room 128	4th	Mrs. Bonham
Room 155	Kindergarten	Mrs. Stauffer	Room 127	4th	Ms. Hunt
Room 160	Kindergarten	Mrs. Wright	Room 126	4th	Ms. Sweet
Room 161	1st	Mrs. Calkins	Room 219	5th	Mrs. Easton
Room 157	1st	Miss Dieterle	Room 222	5th	Mr. Loveless
Room 158	1st	Mrs. Ross	Room 218	5th	Ms. Wright
Room 162	1st	Mr. Sherburne	Room 203	6th	Mr. Cook
Room 151	2nd	Mrs. Brown	Room 205	6th	Miss Hankinson
Room 159	2nd	Mr. Gugliotta	Room 208	6th	Mrs. Machuga
Room 129	2nd	Mr. Koehler	Room 207	6th	Mrs. Latour
Room 154	2nd	Mrs. Schwartz			

After School Care

Our Kids Adventure Club program will not be run this year through Pathways . The district has created its own after school program called _____. If you are interested in registering your child, please call the main office at 527-9800 ext. 3170. There will be a cost associated with the service and transportation from the program must be provided by the parents/guardian. All students must exit the building by 5:30pm.



Code of Conduct

As part of the NYS SAFE school legislation we are required to have a Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct is designed to further enhance the educational process for all students. Please review the Code of Conduct and the Student/Parent Handbook with your child.

Every year we have questions about clothes. Please help your child to judge which clothes should be worn to school. In the event that a student arrives at school inappropriately dressed, the staff will be asking that clothes be changed to follow the appropriate guidelines. If clothing is not available at school, parents will be called to bring in an appropriate garment. If you should need a copy of the Code of Conduct please contact the office at 527-9800, ext. 3170.

Working Together: A Home School Partnership

We extend an invitation to all of our families to work together with us at the Campbell-Savona Elementary School to make the coming academic year a success. Children benefit greatly when parents take an active role in their education. We therefore encourage all of our parents to become actively involved in the activities and programs at our school. A positive home-school relationship will enhance your child's success at school.

Volunteers Are Always Welcome!

Volunteers are always welcome at the Campbell-Savona Elementary School. Volunteering in your child's classroom is an excellent way to be involved. Volunteers enrich our program and contribute to the success of all of our students. Volunteers do not need to commit to a weekly schedule. Volunteers are welcome on a daily, weekly or monthly basis. If you are interested in volunteering, contact your child's teacher or call the Elementary Office at 527-9800.

Elementary Open House

This year our **Open House** will be on **Thursday, September 24th** from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Open House gives families a chance to learn about their child/children's educational program. It also gives them a chance to check out classrooms, tour the school, and meet special area teachers and elementary staff.

Campbell-Savona Elementary Parents' Group

If you are looking for an easy way to become a friendly, familiar face in the halls of the Campbell-Savona Elementary School, we invite you to take a moment to consider becoming a member of the Campbell-Savona Elementary Parents' Group. As a member of the Parent's group, whether it is a casual member or an active one, you automatically become a very important, positive part of your child's educational opportunities at Campbell-Savona. Please contact Joanne Reed, PTO President, if you are interested.

Shared Decision Making/Family Involvement Committee

We are looking for interested parents to join our Shared Decision Making/Family Involvement Committee. If any parent is interested in joining our committee or if you have questions regarding the committee, please contact **Chris Caward** at 527-9800, Committee Chairperson.

Changes to Your Child's Dismissal

If you have changes to your child's dismissal, whether how the child is being picked up or where the child is going, please contact the Elementary Office at 527-9800 no later than 1:00. You will no longer contact the bus garage for transportation changes. If a note has been sent with your child, please remind your child that the note must be given to the main office.

We work diligently to assure every student gets home safely!

Custody Procedures

In this day and age, there are an increasing number of children that come to school with custody papers. These are written orders that come from a judge and outline parent visitation rights. I would like to take the opportunity to remind parents of the elementary procedures for custody orders.

It is the parents' responsibility to keep the school updated of any custody issues. If the school has received papers and there has been a change to an order, then we need a copy of the change. If we do not receive a copy of a change that has been made, we will have to follow the original order. It is not the school's responsibility to keep these orders updated. Please keep your custody information updated.

A Message from Mrs. Golkiewicz, Home School Counselor

Welcome Back!!! It is going to be another great year here at Campbell-Savona Elementary School. I would like to share a few things that will make the "back to school" transition flow smoothly.

* *August is a good time to talk casually about the upcoming school year.* Opening the lines of communication helps you to know what your child is thinking and feeling about school.

* *Ease the switch from vacation to school by setting bedtime a little earlier each night.* Make it a goal to have your child on a regular bedtime schedule about a week before school begins.

* And most important... *you are your child's first teacher.* Your child is watching and listening to you, so model a great attitude toward school. This positive cue from you can help school go more smoothly for everyone.

September Dates

Pre-K, Head Start, Kindergarten Open House	Wednesday, September 2	3:00-5:00 PM
Students return to school	Tuesday, September 8	8:00 AM
4th grade band, parent meeting	Thursday, September 17	7:00 PM

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Emergency Cards

We enclosed your child's current contact and emergency information on a pink sheet of paper. Please review the enclosed "Student/Parent Contact Information Form" and keep the following things in mind:

- There is a blank line under or next to your child's information. If the information has changed, please use the line to fill in the updated changes. If the information is accurate, please leave the line blank.
- Please include your email address if you have one. Teachers and staff members have access to this address and can use it as a way to communicate with you.
- The back side of the form asks for medical information. Please make sure you fill in the updated information for your child.
- We ask that all students have 2 alternate people to contact in the event a parent is not available. If your child does not have 2 people listed, please be sure to list two names here. There is a space for you to indicate if this person can pick your child up.
- The emergency closing information is important for us to have on file. These are the plans we use when school has to close early for any reason. All children in the district need a plan on file for emergencies. Please indicate the name of the person and the address that you want your child to be sent to if school closes early. If you know the bus number that transports students to this address, please include it. If you do not know the number, you can leave this blank.

We ask that students return this form to their homeroom teacher on the first day of school. You are welcome to send the form back sooner if you would like to do so.