



August 31, 2020 - Principal's Pen

from Mrs. Walker, Principal

Today was a great day!! It was wonderful to see so many students working hard. This year is already off to a fantastic start!

- **Attendance to school is crucial to your child's education.** Please make every effort to get your child to school every day and on time. Every moment that your child is at school is an opportunity for learning. For those who are continuing via Distance Learning, please remember that your child is to complete the Attendance Tracker everyday.
- **Take-in Procedures** are going smoothly, we thank you for your patience. In addition to the current procedures due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, please see the **attached diagram** with general take in and dismissal procedures. Please be reminded that during **afternoon dismissal, those picking up students MUST go through the car line and MUST display a sign with the student's name clearly shown.** We ask this of you to aid in quickly moving parents through the car line, but more importantly to ensure that students are getting into a vehicle with someone who is allowed to pick him/her up. If the driver does not have a sign to display, he or she may be asked to park and come into the school to be identified before being allowed to leave with the student. Students will not be dismissed to parents who walk up to the dismissal area. The safety of children is a top priority at MAX, and your cooperation is appreciated. **Remember, NO CELL PHONE USE and NO SMOKING in the car line.**
- **Before and After Care will continue** to be available this school year.
 - When dropping off students for Before Care (7:00-7:39), please pull into the side parking lot and have the student remain in the car until a staff member comes out to take his/her temperature and to ask the series of questions.
 - When picking up a child from After Care, please come to the side door and knock. Once someone comes to let you in, please wait by the door for your child. Sign your name on the clipboard located near the door. Please be reminded to practice social distancing.
- We will be partnering with **Synergy Bank** again this year. Packets will be sent home on Tuesday and are to be completed and returned if your child wishes to open a savings account. A representative from the bank will come monthly starting on Tuesday, September 8th to collect deposits.
- **PTA Meeting** will be held via Zoom **on Tuesday, September 8th.** Details for joining the virtual meeting will be sent out via text message and email.
- **School Pictures will be taken on Wednesday, September 9th.** Order forms will be sent home after pictures are taken.
- In celebration of **Constitution Day on Thursday, September 17th,** students are invited to wear a red, white, and/or blue or patriotic shirt with their uniform bottoms.

It was a pleasure seeing the students today. We are happy to have them back and are looking forward to an amazing school year.

Educationally,

Rebecca B. Walker

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