

Phone 616.361.3470 Hours: 9:30 am - 3:30 pm



September 22 ~ First Day of Autumn September 23 ~ Virtual Learning Day

Dear West Oakview Families,

Happy Friday!

This week in the Friday folder your student will receive for the first time this year- there is a purple half sheet of paper. This purple sheet is intended to be returned, so we can make car signs for those of you who pick up students. This will allow for a more efficient exit at the end of the day. Thank you to those of you who have done a great job of arriving at the appropriate time and adhering to our directions. I know it is a test of patience at times, but we truly appreciate your help with this.

A second item you will receive that needs to come back to school is the student profile sheet. This document helps us to update the information we have about your student(s) and provide us with the most accurate contacts. Thank you in advance for your completion of this.

Another document you will be receiving is the most recent district calendar. This is available on nvps.net as well. Please note, students do not have school on Monday, September 28th. Our staff will be involved in professional development activities during that day.

Finally, public schools have been given the opportunity to provide free meals to our students. West Oakview is able to service students for breakfast and lunch. Please know that you may take advantage of this without signing up beforehand. In the morning, your child can begin entering the gym doors at 9:15 am to receive free breakfast. In the afternoon- they can simply pick a school lunch of their choice when teachers ask upon their arrival. If you have any questions- please do not hesitate to ask. Have a wonderful fall weekend!

West is...Best, Tony

Student Profile Cards 2020-2021

PLEASE check your student's Friday Folder for this important paper. Review the information and make any changes that are needed. **Don't forget the back**. Once you have everything updated, please **sign** and return to school as soon as possible. This information is crucial when we need to contact you. If you have an address change you will need to show Proof of Residency and it needs to be brought to our Central Office at 4365 Hunsberger NE.

Car Pick-Up ID Card

Today in your child's Friday Folder is a purple half sheet of paper for car pick-up cards. Please fill it out with your student(s) name and teacher's name and return to school. We will print out the cards and send them home with the student(s). These make pick-up at the end of the day safer for students and speeds up the process for parents.

Morning Drop Off

Please know you may not drop off students until 9:15 am. There will be no adults outside assisting students to get inside until this time. If you arrive early, please remain in your car until this time. If your student needs breakfast, they may enter through the gym door at 9:15 am to receive this.



ATTENDANCE/ TARDY

Per our handbook, a student, who is not in his/her assigned location by 9:30 a.m. shall be considered tardy. Any student arriving late to school is to report to the school office before proceeding to class. If you leave prior to 3:05 p.m. on days, this is recorded as a leave early and counted as a tardy. There is still school instruction taking place and we encourage your child to stay in school for the full day. If your student is going to be out of school, for any reason, it is important that you call the office to let them know.

START OF DAY ARRIVAL

Students are able to enter the building at 9:15 am. There are not adults outside to monitor activities on the playground or in the parking lot. Please adhere to this start time, so we/you can ensure the safety of your child(ren).

END OF DAY DISMISSAL

Going forward, both cohorts will be at school M, T, Th, and F every week. Please know that you may start picking up students at 3:10 pm. Classrooms will be dismissed to busses at 3:25, in order to be on busses that will be leaving at 3:30.

Thank you in advance for your patience as we work through the first couple of days with both cohorts at West.

A Couple Reminders:

If your child's end of day routine will be different than usual, or if they will be picked up by someone other than a parent/guardian, please email the school and teacher with the change you are requesting. *This request must be made by 2:00 pm. For half days, by 10:00 am.*

Please, when waiting in the pick-up line, **DO NOT BLOCK DRIVEWAYS**. We are getting calls from the neighbors on Stuyvesant that they can not get out or into their driveways.

If you need to get out of your car, you NEED TO PARK IN A PARKING SPOT.

Please no cutting in the line of cars waiting- we have a process and adults are trying their best to send cars to designated areas.

If you DO NOT HAVE A HANDICAP PARKING TAG, PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE HANDICAP SPOTS.

It has been brought to our attention that there are numerous cars out back in the cul de sac during pick up. We will only dismiss children to our pick up line in the front of our building.

When picking up your children from school, **NO DOGS** should be out of the car. If you walk to pick up your child, **PLEASE LEAVE YOUR FURRY FRIENDS HOME**.

OFFICE STAFF

Let's meet the office staff for this 2020-2021 school year.

Tony Quinn, West Oakview Principal

Laura Niedzielski, Building Administrative Assistant (BAA).

Tiffany Haven, Office Paraprofessional

Please feel free to email Laura and Tiffany when your student will be absent or if you have any transportation changes.

Laura (Iniedzielski@nvps.net) and Tiffany (thaven@nvps.net).

NORTHVIEW BUS TRANSPORTATION

Please visit the Northview Transportation webpage: http://nvps.net/transportation to find transportation registration for the 2020-2021 school year. Also please download the transportation app: Traversa Ride 360.

Transportation will be using this app to send out any notifications.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER!



30's AND below - Coat/Jacket IS required. 40's - Coat/jacket, sweatshirt, or sweater required. 50's - Coat/jacket are suggested, but optional. Don't forget those hats, gloves/mittens too! If your child **DOES NOT** have boots and snow pants when snow is on the ground, they will have to stay on the blacktop to play and to keep dry.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

With these unprecedented times please make sure to follow the guidelines below.

Cold and flu season is upon us. Please tell your children to wash and dry their hands periodically throughout the day. If your child has a fever, they must be fever free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school. You must also call in your child's absence in order for it to be excused. School means many things - new teachers, friends, routines, and unfortunately communicable diseases such as lice, hand foot mouth disease, strep, colds, and stomach bugs. If you find lice, don't worry or be embarrassed. Head lice are a normal part of childhood - nearly 1 in 10 primary school children could have head lice at any one time. Lice spread when heads come in contact. So sleepovers, after school activities, playing with friends, and visiting family are also common places for children, and adults, to pick them up and pass them on.

You can find the Health Departments General Fact Sheet about Lice <u>here</u>. You can find Northview's Policy <u>here</u>.



PTC

Join West Oakview PTC on FACEBOOK!

HELPFUL HINT
Packing an extra set of clothing in your child's backpack may save a trip to school! Bathroom accidents and spills happen, even with our older students.