



Valerie Elementary

3871 Yellowstone Ave

Dayton, OH 45416

Phone: 937-542-5390

July 22, 2019

Dear Valerie Families,

Welcome Back! We are so excited to see you in the coming weeks. Anticipation for the 2019-2020 school year is growing. In less than a month, our school will come alive with students and they will be welcomed back into our building with open arms in preparation for the start of class. Welcome to our new families; you're joining a Phenomenal Husky Family.

Our building staff has worked hard all summer to prepare for another school year. We are excited that we are welcoming new students and staff members. This year we will offer exciting opportunities for our students and families to be involved and stay involved. We want "**Family Engagement**" to become one of our top priorities this year. Everything we do for students is more effective with support from home.

Here are a few reminders for the school year. During the first week of school August 12-16 is your opportunity to walk students to class. **After** the first week, we ask you to release students to walk in by themselves and show their pride of being independent. Also, **PARKING** can become challenging here at the school - please help us with the following:

1. Drop students off **ONLY** in the circle--this increases safety. Use the Large "U" parking lot for students
2. Bus Lot is the Small "U" - please do not use this space for student drop off or pick up
3. Parking should be done on Yellowstone (on the side opposite the building)
4. Do not park in the drop off/pick up area while we are arriving or completing dismissal
5. Keep the Pick Up card with you at all times to assist with afternoon time. Pick Up cards are available during our OpenHouse

If you are interested in immediate volunteer opportunities, we have the following available:

- Morning Drop Off Assistance from 7:05-7:30 am
- Lunch Assistance (from 10:00am-12:00 pm--whatever time frame works for your schedule)

On the reverse, you will find pertinent information about the upcoming school year. Also, included is the school supply list. If you have questions, or concerns, please contact me at srwhitlo@daytonpublic.com or at (937) 542-5390.

Uniform

Hunter Green Polo Shirt/Navy Blue Bottom

Bell Schedule

7:10 a.m. – 7:25 a.m. – Breakfast

7:25 a.m. – Tardy Bell

7:25 a.m. – 7:40 a.m. – Morning Meeting

2:10 p.m. – Dismissal

Upcoming Events

August 9th – Title 1 Meeting/Open House 5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. (brief meeting; meet & greet only)

August 12th – First Day of School 7:10 a.m.-2:10 p.m. (Grades 1-6)

August 13th - Staggered Start for Kindergarten **A-M**

August 14th- Staggered Start for Kindergarten **N-Z**

August 15th - ALL Kindergarten Students Attend

August 19 & 20th - Preschool Students Begin (on staggered days--reference letter from teacher)

Putting Children First,

Shawnkeida Whitlow
Principal