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## SEPTEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

Dear Carroll Elementary Parents/Guardians:

I hope you and your families have had success transitioning to the new school year. We have had a very successful start to the school year and are ready to proceed into the autumn season. It was nice to see our Carroll families attend our Kindergarten Orientation and Open House sessions. Our students participated in a "Welcome Back" assembly, in which students were introduced to our staff members, encouraged to follow our 4B's ("Be Respectful-Be Responsible-Be Safe-Be Successful"), presented with a chart that emphasized our expectations with voice levels, and informed of our school logo and motto.

We will be hosting our Parent Curriculum Nights on September 26 and September 27. These evening events are for parents only. Childcare will be available in the gymnasium for children ages 3 and older. The information presented on these nights will include the district's 5 Focus Points, Title 1 Reading information, and curriculum at each grade level. Please see the dates below for the grade level specific Parent Curriculum Nights. We look forward to sharing this important information with all of you.

I will be sending home a newsletter each month. The newsletter will contain important information, upcoming events, and highlights from students or their classrooms. I would like to recognize the efforts of our students and their activities outside of our school setting. If you have something exciting that you would like to share about your child (i.e., team sport accomplishment, girl/boy scout honor, etc.), please send your notification into the office to Ms. Zimmerman or Mrs. Ritter.

Hopefully the newsletter will keep you informed on the incredible things taking place here and will be helpful in your planning throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kristi Wickard



### ***A message from the School Nurse... Who is at risk for getting head lice?***

Head lice are found worldwide. In the United States, infestation with head lice is most common among pre-school children attending child care, elementary schoolchildren, and the household members of infested children. Although reliable data on how many people in the United States get head lice each year are not available, an estimated 6 million to 12 million infestations occur each year in the United States among children 3 to 11 years of age. Head lice move by crawling; they cannot hop or fly. Head lice are spread by direct contact with the hair of an infected person. Anyone who comes in head-to-head contact with someone who already has head lice is at greatest risk. Spread by contact with clothing (such as hats, scarves, coats) or other personal items (such as combs, brushes, or towels) used by an infected person is uncommon. Personal hygiene or cleanliness in the home or school has nothing to do with getting head lice. ~Directly from the CDC  
***~Please advise your child/children to not share coats, hats, scarves, combs, brushes, headbands or hair ties during this time of year. It is very important for the clothing items to stay in a book bag, in the sleeves of their coat or in the pockets. This is not an easy time of year as it begins to get colder and these creatures are looking for warm places to grow. The notification above is to provide you with the necessary awareness to be as preventative as possible.***

## PARENT Information and Reminders

- Student supervision begins at 7:45 a.m. Students who are dropped off may not enter the building until 7:45 a.m.
- The breakfast program begins at 7:50 a.m. If you drop your student(s) off and want them to participate in the breakfast program, please bring them in time to eat and begin instruction at 8:10 a.m.
- The elementary school day begins at 8:00 a.m. with announcements at 8:10 a.m.
- Any student that arrives after 8:10 a.m. will be tardy and needs to be signed in at the office by their parent/guardian.
- The elementary school day ends at 2:50 p.m. Buses depart school property between 2:55-3:00 p.m.
- All parent pick up will occur at the lower level after the buses depart.

## Student Pick-Up Information

Any student being picked up by their parent/guardian at the end of the school day should be picked up after the buses leave at the lower level parking lot. The only time a student should be picked up at the office is if they need to leave school prior to the end of the school day.

In order to avoid confusion and comply with school policy a note is required **each day** a student is picked up from school. When using a handwritten note be sure to include all information requested on the "Pick-Up Form".

### Sample Pick-Up Note:

#### Daily Pick-Up Form

Student's first/last name \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Pick-up \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Pick-up at lower level ( 3:00 ) or  
Lobby area for appointments (time) \_\_\_\_\_  
Picked up by first/last name \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature required \_\_\_\_\_

## Attendance Information

Following an absence, an excuse of absence note must be turned into the office within three days of the absence. The note must indicate the student's name, date of absence, the reason for absence and parent signature. Failure to turn in an excuse for absence within three days will result in the day(s) being classified as illegal. A hand written note is acceptable. You are encouraged to get a physician's excuse for each office visit.

Absences due to vacations are only acceptable if an Educational Trip Form has been submitted and approved prior to the scheduled vacation, otherwise the absence will be classified as unlawful. A student is permitted up to five days for educational trip(s) per school year with a parent or guardian.

## Dates to Remember

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| September 23  | Act 80 Day - No School for Students                 |
| September 26  | Parent Curriculum Night (grades 1-2) 6:00-8:00 pm   |
| September 27  | Parent Curriculum Night (grades 3-4-5) 6:00-8:00 pm |
| October 4     | PTO Meeting @ 7:00 pm                               |
| October 10    | In-Service Day - No School for Students             |
| October 13    | Fall Picture Day                                    |
| October 17-21 | Book Fair   |
| October 25    | Donuts for Dads 7:00-7:45 am                        |
| October 28    | Wear RED (Red-y to Live Drug Free)                  |