



LIVE OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Live Oaks Community,

We are so very excited that school begins for our Pre-K through 5th grade students on Wednesday, August 28th! We wanted to share some important information with you before the first day. We can't wait to welcome you all!

- **Chromebooks** - One to one chromebooks is expanding to grades 3, 4, and 5. These students should have their chromebook by the end of fall.
- **Spanish** - Kindergarten and grade 1 students will have Spanish for 25 minutes on B and D days. We are excited about this new experience.
- **Specials** - The specials schedule will be the same as last year. We will be following a rotation schedule (Days A, B, C, and D). In addition, students will have the opportunity to have additional music, media, art, or PE throughout the year. The regular special rotations and "extra" specials will be shared by classroom teachers so families can plan accordingly.
- **Arrival and Dismissal information** - Will be emailed to you before school begins and can be found on our website.

You should have received a **postcard** telling you about our **orientations for pre-k and kindergarten**. If you have not received one, please call our main office at 203-783-3564. My staff and I will share important information about student arrival and pick up for the first few days of school when we see you at orientation. *Be sure to bring your photo ID (License); it is required to sign into our school while school is in session. Have your ID out and ready when you enter the building.

All K-2 students will receive lanyards in the mail before the first day of school. All K-2 students should wear their lanyards with their dismissal information on the lanyard. These lanyards must be worn to school every day for the first few weeks of school. Although the classroom teachers organize the students for dismissal, the lanyards give us a double-security check to make sure students are being dismissed properly and getting on the correct bus. Once teachers are confident the students are comfortable with dismissal, they will collect the lanyards to be used with substitute teachers, etc... If at any point in the year the lanyard comes home, please make sure it is returned the next day.

Here is our daily Live Oaks School schedule: school begins at 8:40 a.m. and dismisses at 3:25 p.m. Doors open for students at 8:20 a.m. and all students should be in classrooms between 8:30 and 8:40 a.m. because instruction begins promptly at 8:40 a.m. It is so important for your child to be on time every day. Being on time gets the day off to a good start and ensures that nothing will be missed.

Please remember to hand in your "blue health form" to the nurse prior to the start of school on August 28th. In fact, you could bring it with you to **pre-k or kindergarten orientation**.

Mark your calendars with the following important dates:

Friday, August 23rd - Kindergarten Playground date 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Tuesday, August 27th - Kindergarten Welcome 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm (Including bus introduction for all K students)

Wednesday, August 28th – First Day of School for ALL grades (Pre-K through 5)

Our staff will welcome everyone back in our courtyard beginning at 8:40 a.m. All school staff will be holding signs with their classroom number and name on them and if needed, your child will be helped to find their appropriate line. (Pre-K students will enter through the Pre-K doors with their guardians)

Monday, September 2nd – No School Labor Day

Friday, September 13th – PTA Family Fun Night 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Thursday, September 19th – LOS Open House 6:00 p.m.

Monday, September 30th – No School Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, October 9th – No School Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 23rd - Friday, October 25th - Parent/Teacher Conferences (1:15 pm dismissal for students)

As always, I appreciate your presence and support at LOS. I look forward to another rewarding and enjoyable school year. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Rose Marzinotto
Principal