

**AUGUST
2023**

PARK AVENUE ELEMENTARY



WELCOME BACK!!



Hello Park Avenue Families,

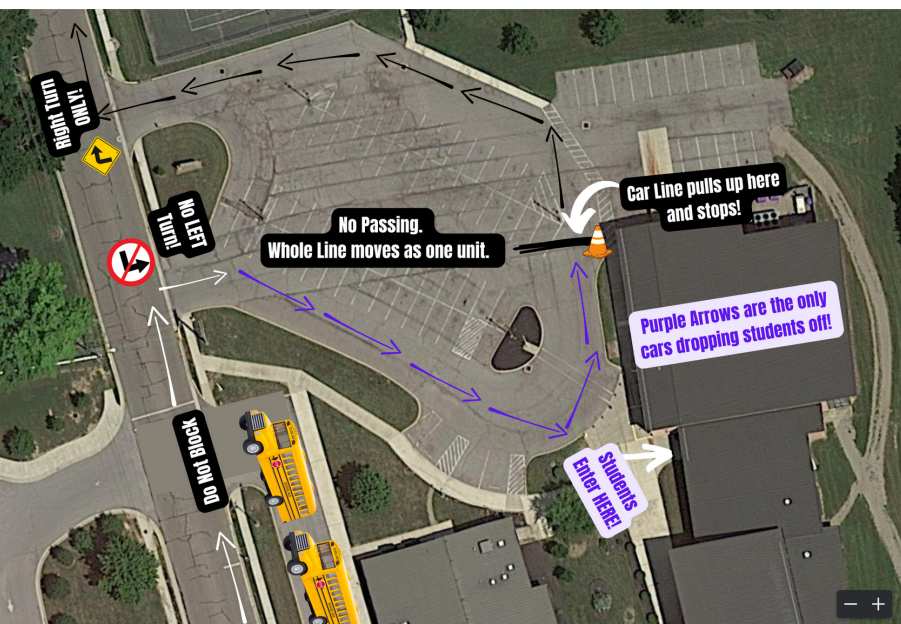
My name is Ally Schleichert, and I would like to introduce myself as your child's new building principal for this 2023-2024 school year! I began my education career as a Gifted Teacher in the Pickerington Local School District before accepting a position as a Preschool Director and Special Education Coordinator at Madison Local Schools. I was then hired by the Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center to serve as a Gifted Coordinator where I worked with their member schools and teachers to improve teaching strategies and gifted education for students, and was assigned to Mount Gilead Schools as Gifted Coordinator. Mount Gilead Schools has been my home for the past two years. I will continue to be the acting Gifted Coordinator for the district in addition to my new role, as building principal at Park Avenue. I'm very excited to work with the staff, students, families, and community in this new capacity.

My husband, Danny, and I became first time parents at the end of May to our Daughter, Cora. Our furry four-legged family members are still getting used to the idea of a human sibling, but we are thrilled with the newest addition. We enjoy boating, traveling, attending sporting events, and spending time with our family and friends. I look forward to getting to know and interacting with you as we have many plans to include families for various events throughout the school year.

UPCOMING DATES:

- 9/6- FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
- 9/11-CUB SCOUT PRESENTATION
- **9/11- PTO MEETING 6:30-7:30PM**
- 9/12- PICTURE DAY
- 9/18- PTO LITTLE CAESARS FUNDRAISER
- 9/21-JIM BASKETBALL JONES ASSEMBLY

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES



The Park Ave staff is excited to welcome your child on the first day of school, September 6, 2023. The Cafeteria doors at Park Avenue will be unlocked at 7:30am for students to enter the building and head directly into the Cafeteria. Breakfast will be available for students to purchase from 7:30-7:50am. The tardy bell will ring at 7:50am, so students need to be in their classrooms by this time, otherwise they will be marked tardy for the day. This is 10 minutes earlier than in past years.

If you are dropping your child off in the mornings, please have your child stay in the car and wait patiently until we start the unloading process. This process will be changed slightly in order to hopefully decrease the amount of time it takes in the morning for the car line. We ask that you pull all the way around the loop and stop at the indicated spot near the back side of the gymnasium, as this will allow us to fit more cars through the unloading zone. You will not be able to pull around any cars in front of you, as the whole line will move together. If your child is walking to school, they may not arrive at school prior to 7:30am, as we do not have anyone to monitor them for safety until that time. At the end of the day, students will be dismissed beginning at 2:30pm following the same system as the morning. No vehicle may pull into the parking lot and wait for dismissal prior to 2:20pm, as that area is our designated FIRE LANE and needs to remain accessible. At the exit of the parking lot, vehicles will only be permitted to turn right. There will be no left turns out of the Park Ave parking lot from 7:30-8:00am and 2:30-3:00pm.

CAR TAG SYSTEM

We will continue to utilize the car tag system, so please make sure that you have displayed your car tag when you pick your child up in the car line. New students will be bringing a car tag home within the first few days of school, but if you are a returning student that needs a car tag, please call the office to get a replacement.

