

Montclair Public Schools

EDGEMONT **M**ONTESSORI **S**CHOOL

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August 28, 2023

Good afternoon Edgemont Montessori Families,

I hope everyone is enjoying the last few days of summer before school begins!

Below, please find a few reminders and updates. Again, we are excited to see everyone on **Wednesday, September 6**.

We are excited to see our **Kindergarten and New families** at the ice cream social on **Tuesday, September 5 at 3:00PM**. Please know, Kindergarten families may drop off supplies on September 5 if they would like. They are also welcome to drop off supplies the first day/week of school.

When you have a moment, please complete our **Edgemont Montessori School Action Team for Partnerships (SATp)** survey, so we can work together thoughtfully and strategically to best support students, families and staff:

https://forms.gle/sMwCrQ9u9rR3P4X87

Also, please visit the sites below in order to complete the Free/Reduced Lunch Application, as well as see menus and MySchoolBucks information:

https://www.montclair.k12.nj.us/departments/business office/food services

Free/Reduced Lunch Application (window opens August 30, 2023): https://www.nlappscloud.com/

Menus: https://montclair.fdmealplanner.com/

MySchoolBucks: https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/getmain?requestAction=home

School day hours:

Our doors open at 8:10AM and dismissal begins at 2:35PM.

Arrival takes place 8:10AM-8:20AM. Students arriving after 8:20AM are considered "late".

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Arrival and Dismissal for Wednesday, September 6th:

During arrival, all teachers and staff will meet students outside for the first day of school. Staff will support students arriving by bus in order to ensure students arrive to their homeroom teacher/line safely.

Please note the following locations:

Grades K & 1st & 2nd- students will arrive & dismiss through **Door H/north end.**

Grades 3rd & 4th & 5th- students will arrive & dismiss through **Door B/south end**.

Security and safety are of utmost importance. Families will not be permitted to enter the building. Please take your "1st Day" pictures, give your "1st Day" hugs & kisses and say your "1st Day" goodbyes outside! The Edgemont staff will ensure students arrive happily and safely to their classrooms!

For <u>September 6 ONLY</u>- our circular drive will be **closed** to cars during arrival. Only buses will use the circular drive on Day #1.

Arrival and Dismissal for September 7th and forward:

Starting Thursday, September 7, we will return to our regular arrival and dismissal locations.

For arrival, all **Kindergarten** students will enter through Door H. Kindergarten teachers will continue to meet our Kindergarten students at Door H for the first few weeks of school

For arrival, all 1st-5th grade students will enter through Door A (the main door).

For dismissal, **Kindergarten and 1st grade** students will dismiss from the north end of the building (near/at Door H) and **2nd grade-5th grade** students will dismiss from the south end of the building (near/at Door B).

Parking:

During arrival and dismissal, please **do not** double park, block driveways, nor park on the right side of Edgemont Road. Our buses have an extremely difficult time turning off of Edgemont Road onto Berkley Place when cars are illegally parked at the end of the block. Our children have a difficult time crossing at crosswalks because of illegally parked cars.

Bus Information:

All bus information should be listed under Parent Access in Genesis. All bus-related questions can be directed to the District Transportation Department at: *Transportation office*: 973-509-4020 x50609 or x50610 or

https://www.montclair.k12.nj.us/departments/business office/transportation



Back to School Night:

Back to School Night will take place, in-person, on **Tuesday, September 19, time TBD.** More details to follow.

Class placement:

Class placements will be released on Friday, September 1. As mentioned previously, a great deal of thought and effort has gone into the process of student placement. Teacher input, as well as student learning styles and needs, were taken into account. Classrooms have been balanced to reflect the great diversity of Edgemont. Classroom assignments will not be changed. **Please do not contact the office to request any placement changes.**

Take care,

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