

## **Cold Spring Early Learning Center**

### **First Week of School: What You Need to Know**

#### **SCHOOL DAY**

**Drop Off/Pick Up:** Drop-off begins at 8:50. Pick-up begins at 3:05. Dismissal for bus students begins at 3:10. When dropping off your student, your child will receive a temperature check from the greeter or the school nurse/nurse's aide. When picking up your child, the greeter will bring you a sign-out sheet. We ask that you wait on the concourse for the greeter to bring your child out to you.

#### **Bus Transportation**

Your bus schedule has been sent by the Transportation Department. If you have not received this information, please contact the bus garage at 518-398-7181 x3115.

Please note that students who are not four (4) years old are not eligible to ride the bus. They will be eligible to ride the bus when they turn four (4) years old.

#### **School Supplies**

Please have your child bring in their school supplies on the first day of school. Staff will be on hand to assist them in carrying these items to class.

#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast is served free daily in NY state this year. Students who wish to eat breakfast may begin doing so at 8:50.

#### **Lunch**

Lunch is served in the cafeteria daily. It is free in NY state this year. Lunch orders will be taken by the teacher when your child arrives to class.

#### **Six-day Specials Schedule**

Students receive specials (PE, Music, Computer, Art, Library) on a six-day rotating schedule. The first day of school will be Day One (Day 1). Students will receive either PE, Art, or Library on this day. Your child's teacher will provide information about which special they receive.

#### **Social Distancing**

A minimum of three (3) feet of social distancing is maintained in all areas. In most areas of the building, that distance is greater than three (3) feet. The cafeteria is spaced at a distance of four-and-a-half (4.5) feet and is well-ventilated. Gym and music are distanced at six (6) feet during physical activity.

#### **Masking**

Masks will be worn by students, faculty, and staff at all times while indoors. Masks are not required for outdoor activities, such as outdoor PE or recess.

#### **Handwashing**

Students will engage in regular handwashing throughout the day. We have found this practice to be highly effective at mitigating germs. It is important to note that last year, we did not have any instances of transmission of COVID occurring inside our district schools. We credit social distancing, masking, and handwashing for this outcome.

## 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF SCHOOL

### **Pre-K**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Day of school is an orientation day for all pre-Kindergarteners. **Pre-K students will not come to school on the bus on this day.** Students should come to school with their parents at the appropriate scheduled time. Time slots are as follows:

- ROQUE: 10:00-11:00
- ROSATO: 11:30-12:30
- WRIGHT: 1:00-2:00

During Orientation, parents and students will have an opportunity to hear from Mr. Starr, PTA representatives, and their child's teacher. They will also practice riding the bus. Please note that students under four (4) years old may not ride the bus. They will be eligible to do so when they turn four (4).

### **Kindergarten and First Grade**

Kindergarten and first grade students will have a typical first day of school. They will follow the regular school day schedule (explained on the first page of this document). Please follow all protocols for picking up and dropping off your child on this day, and/or be certain to follow your child's transportation schedule.

## **Other Important Information**

### **Principal Emails**

You will receive weekly emails from the principal. These emails contain important information about what will be coming up the following week. Please be on the lookout for these emails and read them carefully. If you do not receive these emails, please contact the main office at 845-868-7451 x2201 and we will add your email to our student management system.

### **Parent/Teacher Communicator**

Each child will be given a "parent/teacher communicator" folder. This folder will come home with your child each day. Please check this folder for important information from your child's teacher. It may be necessary to sign important documents and return them in the folder as well. Please be sure to do so as requested by the principal or your child's teacher.

### **Code of Conduct**

You will receive a Code of Conduct document in your parent/teacher communicator on the first day of school. Please familiarize yourself with this document, as it lays out the expectations for students, teachers, parents, and administrators.

### **Thank You!**

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Cold Spring Early Learning Center, we thank you for your partnership in your child's education. We are looking forward to a wonderful year of learning, growing, and playing!