



# ORIOLE PARK ELEMENTARY

*Home of the Wolves*

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Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! I hope that you all enjoyed a wonderful summer!

Registration will be held at Oriole Park on August 17 & 18 from 11:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Registration will be in our multi-purpose room. Please enter the building through door #17. **It is very important that you stop by during registration so you can fill out the necessary paperwork for the school year.** There will be individuals from the food service and transportation departments to assist you in completing the lunch application and answering any questions you may have regarding our breakfast/lunch programs and transportation. Additionally, our PTO will also be available to share with you the unique opportunities, you, as a parent, can become involved in at Oriole Park. Carlye Hausbeck, our TEAM 21 site coordinator, will also be at registration to assist you in applying for the TEAM 21 after school program.

The following is important information for you to be aware of as the school year begins:

**-New School Hours:** On full days of school, school begins at 8:45 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. On half days of school, school begins at 8:45 a.m. and ends at 12:35 p.m.

**-Pick-Up and Drop-Off Procedures:** The busses will be dropping off and picking up students in the west parking lot. For parents that will be dropping off their child(ren) in the mornings and/or picking them up at the end of the day, parents will be using the east parking lot located in front of the main office. We appreciate your help to ensure that we have a safe and orderly start and end to our day!

**-Morning Procedures:** Before school supervision starts at 8:30 a.m. For the safety of our students, **please do not drop your child(ren) off before 8:30 a.m.** All students will spend time outside before school starts. In the event that it is raining before school, students will be welcomed into the multi-purpose room before school. At 8:40 a.m. the first bell will ring to welcome students into the building. At 8:45 a.m. the second bell will ring to signal the start of the instructional day. **Students will not be allowed in the building before school unless prior arrangements have been made with the child's teacher.**

**-Electronic Communication:** Families will receive a school newsletter on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month. Please look for this in your email inbox as newsletters will be emailed. ☺

**-Open House:** To welcome all of our parents and students and answer any questions you may have, we have planned an open house for our 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade students and families on August 31 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

**-Kindergarten Orientation:** Our kindergarten teachers and myself will be welcoming families on August 25 from 8:45 a.m.-11:15 .m. This is an opportunity for the student to ride the bus to school with their parent, meet their teacher, visit their classroom, tour Oriole Park, and learn our lunch procedures. Additional information and will be provided at our back to school registration on August 17 and 18.

**Our first day of school will be Tuesday, September 6. This is a HALF-day of school, which begins at 8:45 a.m. and ends at 12:35 p.m.**

On behalf of the entire Oriole Park Elementary School staff we look forward to an exciting and wonderful year of learning! Go Wolves!

Sincerely,

*Dr. Jennifer Slanger*

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