Scenic Elementary

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W.H.B.N. – Pass It Forward

Dear Scenic Families and Parents,

It has been a great first week at Scenic Elementary. Teachers, students and staff are working hard and being nice. Classroom communities are being built around the idea of growth mindsets. It is an exciting time to be a learner at Scenic Elementary!

This is an addendum to the initial Scene that was sent out last week. Your support is greatly appreciated, and if you could continue to support us with the following, it will help our school's learning environment.

School start time:

Children may be dropped off beginning at 8:35 am. Please look for an adult in a yellow vest before allowing your child to exit your vehicle and make his/her way to the playground. If your child eats breakfast at school, he/she may arrive at 8:20 and proceed directly to the cafeteria.

PE Shoes

In order for your child to fully participate in PE class, please help your child remember to wear or bring appropriate foot wear for PE: shoes that stay on the feet, allow for movement, and provide adequate support. PE Days are as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		Thursday	Friday
5D, 4M, KAM,	5W, 4W, 3C,1G,	A Week	B Week	5D, 4M, 3R, KPM,	5W, 4W, KAM,
3R, KPM, 1S, 2S	2H	5 th , 4 th ,	$2^{\rm nd}, 1^{\rm st},$	1 st , 2 nd	3C, 1 st , 2 nd
		K, 3 rd	K		

Cell Phones & iPods

Students who bring cell phones to school are asked to turn them off and keep them in their backpacks during the day (including recess). Please do not send iPods or other electronics with children. Kindles and Nooks used for reading are at the discretion of your child's classroom teacher.

Medications

If your child requires prescription medication at school, we must have signed orders from your child's doctor before we can accept the medication. Over the counter medication requires a parent signature. If you need forms for medication permission, please contact Heather Williams in the health office. Also, please do not send medication to school with you child. The parent or guardian must deliver it to the school office.

End of Day Pick Up

Thank you so much for your patience and cooperation during pick up at the end of the day. In order to help things run smoothly, please remember the following:

- If you are using the pickup loop, please:
 - o Pull as far forward as possible to allow additional vehicles to pull forward.

- o Encourage your child to watch for your vehicle and load when you have stopped the car.
- Only use the pickup loop if your child can easily and independently load on the
 <u>passenger</u> side of the car. If you child cannot easily load on the passenger side,
 please use the parking lot for pickup.
- If you use the upper or lower parking lot to pick up:
 - o Please park your vehicle, meet your child and escort him/her to your vehicle.
 - o Use caution when entering and exiting parking areas.
- Students who are not picked up by 4:00 will be escorted to the pickup loop and then into the office.

Neighborhood WHBN

Scenic's neighborhood location is unique and fosters a sense of community between the school and homeowners. It is essential that we respect the neighbors who help watch over our school. Several cars have been using paved and gravel driveways on W. Scenic to turn around. Not only is this illegal, but it also causes wear and tear to others' property. If you are looking for alternate routes, consider using E. Scenic Drive or Manzana to access the school. Thank you in advance for your support and consideration of our greater community.

Microwaves

We are fortunate to have microwaves in our lunch room here at Scenic. However, there are only 3 microwaves for 270 children. In order to be considerate towards all students who wish to use the microwaves at school, please consider the following:

- Be aware of how long your child's meal will take to cook. It is best if microwave time is 2 minutes or less.
- 3rd, 4th and 5th graders are allowed to microwave their own food. We discourage meals that require additional prep prior to microwaving. If your child's meal requires additional preparation, please make sure that he/she can do this <u>independently and provide any dishes</u> needed.
- 1st and 2nd graders must ask an adult to help with microwave meals. Again, food with additional prep (i.e. adding water, mixing, measuring, etc.) is difficult for lunchroom monitors who are managing over 100 students per lunch wave.

If your child prefers a hot lunch, consider encouraging him/her to try our new and improved options from the school cafeteria. Meals are now being prepared here at Scenic and offer many healthy options for kids.

Thank you again for sharing your children with us! Please let us know if you there is anything we can do to support you or your child.