

August 20, 2018

Dear North Families,

Welcome Back to the 2018-2019 school year! We are so excited to work with all of you and see our students progress socially, emotionally and academically. We are going to be in September before you know it and fall weather awaits!

We are here to support students and families however we can! Please do not hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns. Of course, I will be welcoming you all to **Classroom Visits on Monday afternoon, August 27th from 4:30-5:30PM**. If you have time, please take a moment to introduce yourselves in the lobby before you see the school and stop by your child's classroom!

Attendance is so important to student progress. Let's work together to have students in school and on time, each and every day! Students must be in the building by 8:20AM, at the latest, to ensure that they are in homeroom with their classmates for morning announcements! Please be reminded that the car rider door will open at **8:00AM**. Students may not be dropped off earlier than that time.

Our parking lot looks great thanks to the DPW! Students who are car riders in the afternoon will remain in the **yellow waiting area**, and we load six (6) cars at a time. We wait for all students to safely enter the vehicles and close the doors. Then, you will see my signal to depart, and the next six (6) cars pull up to load. Please pay close attention in the driveway and drive extremely slowly as student and staff safety is a priority.

The first day of school for students is **Tuesday, August 28th**. School hours are 8:20AM-2:25PM. Please see the attached Quick Reference Guide and our WPS school calendar!

SAVE THE DATE:

Friday, August 31st	No school
Monday, September 3rd	No school—Labor Day
Wednesday, September 5th	School Picture Day @ North
Thursday, September 20th	North Open House—6:00-7:30—more details and invitation to follow
Friday, September 29th	Early Dismissal –11:25AM Curriculum Improvement Time for staff

Here at the North, we are welcoming several new staff members on board! Coming to us from the Woburn Street are:

Sheree Emmons

Special Education Teacher

Nicole McKenna *Educational Assistant*

Nisreen Saad *Educational Assistant*

Joining our team of specialists is *Kristin Dunlap, Music Teacher*. She is replacing Mr. Michael Ferrara, who remains on our Wilmington Public Schools' team teaching theater arts and music at WHS and WMS.

Looking forward to an engaging and inspiring school year!

Sincerely,

Ms. Christine McMenimen

Principal

P.S. Bus routes (AM and PM) should be published in the Town Crier this week. They will also be posted on our school web page.

CORE VALUES

**RESPECT EVERYONE,
INCLUDING YOURSELF**

ACT RESPONSIBLY

PRACTICE KINDNESS

BE YOUR BEST SELF