

Welcome to McGinn

www.spfk12.org/mcginn



HEALTH & SAFETY

- There are many children and many cars! For the safety of all our children, learn and observe the recommended traffic patterns for drop-off and pick-up. A traffic pattern map is included in the *McGinn Parent & Student Handbook* that is also available on our website.
- Smoking is **not** allowed on school property.
- Pets are **not** allowed on school property.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Check your child's backpack **every** day.
- The PTA sends a weekly email blast every Sunday that will provide you with information regarding upcoming programs and activities.
- Read the weekly PTA email blast and the monthly *McGinn Memo*. Note all the important dates and add them to your family calendar.
- Find information about PTA committees/programs, officer list and annual events on the PTA tab on McGinn's website
- Class lists and telephone numbers can be found in the *McGinn MOBILEARQ* on line directory on our website.
- Room parents are there to help the teacher, the class, and you! Call them if you have questions..

SCHOOL TIME

- Arrival begins at 8:25am. Dismissal is at 3:10pm. The "late bell" rings at 8:35am
- The district provides an automated emergency alert through SwiftK12 to notify you of school closings and other emergencies. Please visit www.spfk12.org for more information on registering for this important service.

TARDY/ABSENT

- If your child is late, you must sign them in at Door #1 with our SLEO Officer and he will give them a tardy pass to go to their classroom.
- If your child is absent or going to be late, call the School Attendance Line (233-7950, press 1). If your child is not in the class when attendance is taken and you *have not* already called the Main Office, they will call you at home, work, your emergency number and the police, if necessary.

- If you know in advance that your child will be absent from school or arriving late, you can call the School Attendance Line (233-7950, press 1) any time during the night or morning *before* school opens.

PARENT PORTAL

- SPF alert system is part of the parent portal. All active students are automatically enrolled. Parents may select their preferences through the Powerschool parent portal. Everyone should have a parent portal account.
- If you don't have a parent portal account, you will be provided the information through a letter mailed to your home.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Lunch/Recess - If your child is going home for lunch, please send a note to your child's teacher that day. Students must stay out for the entire lunch hour. You will need to sign them out and back in at Door #1. After signing them out, students will be dismissed to you from Door #1 according to your child's lunch/recess schedule.
- Lunch money -Each day, your child can decide if they wish to participate in purchasing lunch and make their selections in the cafeteria. You can use the Pre-Pay online service at www.payforit.net or pre-pay by sending any amount of money you would like into the office (this will be applied to your account) student name and id # must be included on envelope. Checks should be payable to SPF Board of Education. Payments sent to school will be credited to your child's account the day they are received, before lunchtime. Menus are listed online so you have a chance to review the choices with your children in advance.
- Be sure to talk with your children about their day and ask questions. If they are having a problem, let them know they can talk to you and/or their teacher to help them resolve it.
- Learn your child's schedule. Remind him/her when it's library day, and be sure they remember to bring their books to school.

- Sneakers must be worn in gym class. Girls should wear pants or shorts, not dresses or skirts. Please note your child's gym day and help them dress appropriately.

PTA MEETINGS...Everyone is invited! These meetings are typically held on Wednesdays and alternate between 9:15am and 7:30 pm every other month. Please refer to the PTA weekly blast for meeting schedule and time. You don't need to be an officer or on a committee to attend!

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