

Olga Hugelmeyer Superintendent of Schools Maria Labrador Principal

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Dear Students and Families:

I hope that you are experiencing an enjoyable summer vacation and looking forward to the new school year. The summer months offer us a great opportunity to reflect and reenergize ourselves for the challenges that lie ahead within a new and upcoming school year. The teachers and staff members here at Dr. Albert Einstein Academy School No. 29 are diligently preparing to ensure that every child achieves success.

The 2018-2019 school year will begin on *Thursday, September 6th, 2018* and will end on *Thursday, June 20th, 2019.* The K-8 Program here at Dr. Albert Einstein Academy School No. 29 will operate from **8:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m**. The Pre-K Program will operate from **8:20 a.m. to 3:00 p.m**. No early dismissals will take place after 2:45 p.m. Students who are bused to school will be picked-up and dropped off at their designated bus stops. Any questions regarding bus routes and transportation issues should be addressed to Mike Rijo, Acting Director of Transportation at (908) 436-6820. Any student who is not bused to school should be dropped off in the *Main Lobby by 8:20 a.m.* and picked up in the *Cafeteria at 3:00 p.m.*. It is important for students to arrive to school on time daily. Late arrivals to school will, ultimately, effect instruction. Please note that absences and tardiness can also affect placement here at Dr. Albert Einstein Academy School No. 29.

If, for any reason, you need to change your child's transportation for the day, you must send a signed note to school with your child that morning.

Dr. Albert Einstein Academy School No. 29 has a formal uniform dress code. It is expected that all students arrive to school dressed in their appropriate uniform attire according to grade level. The uniform requirement is included within this packet. Please note that shoes must be <u>ENTIRELY black</u>; there should be no other color on the shoe and/or sole of shoe.

Also enclosed, for your immediate review, is the **District's Afterschool Dismissal Policy**. If your child plans to take the bus home, you <u>do not</u> need to fill out the enclosed form; however, if your child plans to walk home or will be picked-up, it is <u>mandatory</u> that you fill out the form. Students who are picked-up will be signed out by a parent/guardian in the Cafeteria. Students who walk home will sign out and be released from the Cafeteria. Please return the form on the first day of school on *Thursday*, *September* 6th.

Dr. Albert Einstein Academy School No. 29



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All students entering the 6th grade must have already received their required immunizations or they will not be admitted into school.

In order to ensure that we transition smoothly during our first few days of school, we ask that the following requests be adhered to by both our students and their families:

- Please complete the enclosed forms and return them to school on the first day, *Thursday*, *September 6th*.
- Please note that our school is located on a main road. When dropping off or picking-up your child, do not double park in front of the building. Please be mindful of our neighbors and do not block private driveways. Student safety is among our top priorities and we hope to make the morning and afternoon transitions as orderly as possible.
- Pre-K students are to be dropped off at the Pre-K gymnasium door which is located towards the back of the playground. Doors will close promptly at **8:30 a.m**. If a student arrives late, he/she must be brought to the main office and receive a tardy slip. Dismissal will take place in the cafeteria.
- Students in grades K-8 will enter through the front door and pass through the metal detector. Parents will not be allowed beyond this point. Students in grades K-3 will report to the Gymnasium to meet their teachers. Students in grades 4-8 will enter the cafeteria where breakfast will be served.
- Breakfast will be served to students in grades 4-8 from 7:50 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. Students in grades Pre-K 3 will eat breakfast in their homerooms.
- <u>All 2018-2019 homeroom assignments can be found on the front mailing label of the envelope.</u>
- Please mark your calendar: Back-to-School Night is scheduled on Monday, September 17th, 2018; 5:30pm for grades PreK-3 and 6:30pm for grades 4-8. We will hold our first PTO meeting on this night as well. *<u>Exciting News: Our computer lab will be available</u> to set up PowerSchool accounts on this night and throughout the school year. <u>Assistance will be provided.</u>

All of us here at Dr. Albert Einstein Academy School No. 29 anxiously await the beginning of a new school year. Our focus on the Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts/Architecture, and Mathematics components help to ensure that our students attain the competitive standards that are needed to foster both college and career readiness. We remain deeply committed to providing an innovative and personalized learning environment that ensures that every child achieves excellence. We all look forward to starting another great year at Dr. Albert Einstein Academy School No. 29. See you in September!

Sincerely,

Maria Labrador Principal

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