

Cipriani School
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Dear Cipriani Parents:

We are excited about the 2008-2009 school year! This summer, Cipriani will be cleaned and scrubbed, and we will open two additional classrooms for our growing school. Next year promises to be an exciting school year filled with challenging and stimulating activities for all.

The first student day is Wednesday, August 27th. It will follow our minimum day schedule with dismissal for grades one through five at 12:20. Kindergarten students and their parents will attend for one hour only on the first day of school. Details will be provided in a separate letter for kindergarten families.

Class lists will be posted in the multi-use room on **Tuesday, August 26th, from 4:00-6:00 p.m.** During this time, the Cipriani PTA will host a Welcome Back to School Registration Day. You will have an opportunity to pick up your parent information packet, purchase T-shirts, and learn about our many PTA sponsored events. After 6:00 p.m., the class lists will be posted outside the school near the main entrance.

Please note that our start and dismissal times remain the same as last year. Kindergarten hours are from 8:25-12 noon through the end of September. Beginning October 6th, the Kindergarten day extends to 12:30 p.m. The primary grade school day is from 8:25 a.m. to 2:35 p.m. Fourth and fifth grades are dismissed each day at 3:10. On Wednesdays, all first through fifth grade students are dismissed at 12:20 (12:20 dismissal for K begins in October). Early dismissal on Wednesdays allows time for team planning and professional development throughout the school year.

To help our school manage the reduction in our supply budgets, we've attached a list of school supplies needed for your children for each grade level. Students become very excited about shopping for school supplies and you can take advantage of some great sales at Target, Office Depot, Staples, and other stores. When you buy basic supplies such as crayons and markers, you enable our school to purchase more enrichment materials for our classes.

If you have not already ordered from our hot lunch program, students should bring lunch with a beverage for the first few days of school. Hot Lunch will begin September 8th. Parent information packets will provide details on how to order milk and about our PTA hot lunch program. A snack time is also provided each day and students are encouraged to bring healthy snacks to school.

Class begins promptly at **8:25 a.m.** Please be punctual. Children arriving after 8:25 will be marked tardy and will need to check in at the office. At Cipriani, we want all of our students to be successful. *Unexcused absences and regular tardiness will not be tolerated as they negatively affect a student's progress in school*

Yard supervision is provided at **8:10 a.m.** **For safety reasons, students are not to arrive at school prior to 8:10 a.m.** If you need before or after school care for your child, please contact Cipriani After School Care at 592-3262.

Mark your calendars! "Back to School Night" for parents is September 10th at 7:00 p.m. Have a wonderful summer vacation!

Sincerely,

Lisa Zachry
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Maria Lang-Gavidia
Incoming Principal

