



PREPARING FOR THE WEEK

September 7, 2026

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Important: Safety During Drop Off and Dismissal Times

Drop off/pick up lanes are active. These lanes are used for students who can independently enter and exit vehicles.

- Parents must remain in their vehicles at all times.
- Students should enter and exit vehicles from the passenger side only.
- Do not double park.
- Do not park on or block crosswalks.
- Do not leave cars unattended on the active lanes.
- Families should cross at crosswalks only; please do not attempt to cross in the active driveways.
- When dropping students off, please pull as far forward as possible.
- If you will be walking from your car to the building to drop off or pick up your child (kindergarten/first grade parents), please park in a designated parking spot. Do not park in the active lanes.
- Parents/guardians should use the sidewalks at all times.
- The Hillside parking lot is reserved for staff members. There is a limited number of visitor parking spots, located in the upper loop area, numbered spots 95 through 136 only. Please plan to park on nearby local streets or at Closter Commons.
- Plan accordingly! Drop-off and dismissal are busy times at our school.



Student Drop-Off Beginning Tuesday, September 8, 2026

- Student drop-off begins no earlier than 8:20 AM.
- Students enter their assigned entrance door from 8:20 AM to 8:40 AM. (no need to line up)
- Students are supervised in the hallways outside their classroom, and staff is available each day to help students find their way.
- Teachers welcome students into the classroom at 8:35 AM.

Please note: students arriving after 8:40 AM are tardy and must enter through the main entrance. All other doors are locked and secured at that time.

Grade-Level Entrance Doors

Grade	Entrance
Kindergarten, Grade 1, and ALL bus students	Main Entrance
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Grade 2 and Grade 3 (Bachmann)	Left side of building, door 8 — Upper Loop
Grade 3 (Belnick, Esposito, Finan, Gerbig, Jimenez) & Grade 4 (Eddy, Brown)	Left side of building, door 10 — Upper Loop
Grade 4 (Cohen, Moskowitz, Sidrow, Talty)	Main Entrance

Student Dismissal

Dismissal doors remain the same as the first days.

Students are dismissed at 3:15 PM.

Grade-Level Dismissal Doors

Grade	Dismissal Location
Kindergarten (Ms. Manning – C162, Ms. Lee – C153, Ms. Ramm – C159, Ms. Weis – C156, Ms. Yu – C139)	Dismissed from exterior classroom doors
Grade 1 (Dunn, Koniuch, Pleus)	Courtyard, near modular, door 6
Grade 1 (Carpenter, Corio, Kawaguchi/Hollywood)	Near fenced-in area of the Kindergarten rooms near Ms. Lee & Ms. Weis, door 4
Grade 2 and Grade 3 (Bachmann)	Left side of building, door 8 — Upper Loop
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Take Note

- For reasons of safety and security, outside delivery services are not permitted (DoorDash, UberEats).

- Students should bring lunch with them during drop-off. Later lunch drop-off is for emergencies only.

Upcoming Dates

9/7- Labor Day, School Closed

9/11- Patriot Day, students are invited to wear red, white and blue

9/15- Back to School Night, Grades 3-4, 6:30 p.m.

9/21- Yom Kippur, School Closed

9/22- Back to School Night, Grades PK-2, 6:30 p.m.

9/23- PTO Author Visit: Victoria Kann (PK-2)

10/7- Picture Day (make-ups 11/17)

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Principal