



August 1, 2018

Dear Hyde Park Student:

On behalf of the staff and administration of Hyde Park Middle School, I would like to welcome you to the 2018 - 2019 school year. I am very excited to be the principal of Hyde Park Middle School. I have had the opportunity to meet many of you, and I am looking forward to meeting and assisting our new students. I hope this letter finds you well rested and ready to begin an exciting school year on Monday, August 13, 2018. Our daily focus at Hyde Park is "*Learning for Mastery*". Your responsibilities as a student are vital to your success and achievement of mastery in all that you are required to learn.

In order to ensure you are prepared for this year, please see the frequently asked questions below.

**What are the hours of the school day?**

- Students enrolled in magnet classes: 7:00 am – 2:01 pm
- Students not enrolled in magnet classes: 7:50 am – 2:01 pm

**When may I arrive on campus?**

- Students enrolled in magnet classes may begin arriving on campus at 6:40 am
- Students not enrolled in magnet classes may begin arriving on campus at 7:30 am

**What is the best drop-off and pick-up procedure?**

- For those students riding a bus, you will be dropped-off and picked-up in the bus parking lot located near the tennis courts on Fulton Street.
- For those students being dropped-off or picked-up by a parent, please tell your parent(s) the best location is along Fulton Street near the bus parking lot or near Rotary Park along Hinson Street. Students **May NOT** be dropped off in the bus parking lot on Fulton. Please remind them that stopping IN the crosswalk or double-parking behind cars is not permitted.
- Please be aware that all students who are not involved in an after-school club/activity must be picked up by 2:15 p.m. daily. Any student remaining on campus for an after-school club/activity must be picked up by 3:30 p.m. If a student is not picked up by 3:30 p.m., he/she may be transported to Child Haven by CCSD Police.

**When may I pick up my schedule?**

- All students will obtain their **permanent** schedule on Monday, August 13, 2018, during Alpha Homeroom. We will be hosting a schedule pick-up day and Open House on Thursday, August 9, 2018.
  - 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Schedule Pick-up in Alpha Homeroom – *List attached at the end of this letter.*
  - 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. HPMS Activity Fair in the gym
  - 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Annual Title 1 Parent Information Meeting
  - 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. **HPMS - Open House**

**Open House**

- Open House will coincide with schedule pick-up day on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Schedules will be available in Alpha Homerooms from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.
- The Open House schedule is to provide general information regarding the classes and the teacher expectations for the school year. Parents and students will rotate classroom visits every 10 minutes from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
- Schedules are subject to change based on student enrollments and student needs. **NO schedule changes** will be completed before the start of school.

### School wide Communication

- HPMS uses a variety of tools to inform parents of school-wide communication. Please sign up and follow us on our various platforms.
  - Website - <https://www.hydeparkms.org/>
  - Twitter - [@HydePark\\_MS](https://twitter.com/HydePark_MS)
  - Remind – Utilizes text messages for school-wide information <https://remind.com/join/hd39d7> or text @hd39d7 to 81010
  - Email – In order to save on mailing and printing costs, HPMS will be utilizing e-mail to send home information. Please ensure we have a current and up to date e-mail address for all parents/guardians within the Campus Portal.

### When will I receive all the information for my parents to fill out?

- During the alpha room session on the first day of school, all students will receive a packet of information to complete and return. However, most forms are now part of the online registration process required for all parents, and should be completed on the campus portal at [campusportal.ccsd.net](http://campusportal.ccsd.net).

### What supplies should I have?

- Each teacher will provide a list of requested supplies. As a general rule of thumb, it would be beneficial to have pens, pencils, colored pencils, loose-leaf paper, binder and dividers.

### How may I pay for PE clothes and other school items?

- Your parent or guardian may visit our Web Store by logging onto [www.hydeparkwebstore.com](http://www.hydeparkwebstore.com) to purchase available items. You will also be able to purchase PE clothes during your PE class or other items during lunch.

### What immunizations are required?

- Up-to-date medical information is required. For students entering **seventh grade**: TDaP (Bordatella pertussis) one dose is required. If incoming seventh grade students do not have this immunization, please be aware that he/she WILL NOT be able to start school. For medical or religious immunization exemption, please contact the office for further information.

### How do I know what lunch I have?

- All students will be informed by their first period teacher on Monday, August 13, 2018, which lunch they are to attend.
- During the first week of school it is a good idea to pack your own lunch as the new cafeteria student workers will be learning the routines, and lunches may not be served on time.
- The cost of breakfast is: \$1.50. The cost of lunch is: \$3.25
- Online Free and Reduced lunch applications for the 2018 - 2019 school year are available at [www.applyforlunch.com](http://www.applyforlunch.com).
- Paper applications will be placed in the packet that you will receive on August 13th.
- **New applications are required every new school year even though students may have had an approved application the previous year.**
- Questions may be directed to the CCSD Food Service Department at 702-799-8123.

### What do I do if I want to change a class?

- Schedule change requests will be available at Open House and on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school. Students will turn these into the front office and they will be taken care of within the first 2 weeks of school.

### Will I have a locker or can I carry a backpack?

- Hyde Park is a 60 year old building and very few of the lockers work. All working lockers will be reserved for sixth grade students or students with specific medical issues. Specific information regarding rental of lockers will be provided to students during the second week of school.

We have been busy preparing for your return and are excited to begin the new school year. If this letter does not answer all the questions you may have, please keep in mind that more information will be provided within the packet distributed during the time spent in the Alpha Room on Monday, August 13th, or log onto [www.hydeparkms.org](http://www.hydeparkms.org). Information regarding transportation, school lunches, and student safety is also available online at <http://ccsd.net/schools/back-to-school/index.php>

Again, I hope that you have been enjoying your summer. I look forward to seeing the hallways filled with your smiling faces soon.

Sincerely,



Anna Belknap  
Principal