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Dear District 23 Families,

As we enter the last couple of weeks of August, I hope this letter finds your family refreshed and rejuvenated for the upcoming school year. I know our staff is eagerly anticipating hearing about the many family outings and vacations that occurred over the summer. Seeing the children back at school is something we are all looking forward to, as our Eagles soar into new grade levels and experiences. Encouraging them both academically and socially is our greatest joy. But, above all, it is our communication and partnership with one another that allows the children to succeed. It is our teamwork between home and school that will carry the children onto many successful achievements over the course of their educational journey.

With the school year quickly approaching, this letter contains pertinent information regarding your child's bus route and stop. Also, you will find information regarding District 23's new national school lunch program. I would like to take this moment to welcome our staff members.

Mrs. Cheever – Early Childhood Teacher
Mrs. Jurewicz – Early Childhood Teacher
Mrs. Ogle – Early Childhood Teacher
Mrs. Harding – Half-Day Kindergarten Teacher
Mrs. Petrusa – Half-Day Kindergarten Teacher
Mrs. Tomasik – Half-Day Kindergarten Teacher
Mrs. Balla – Full-Day Kindergarten Teacher
Mr. Czarkowski – Full-Day Kindergarten Teacher

Mrs. Bernstein – 1st Grade Teacher
Mrs. Crowley-Bauman – 1st Grade Teacher
Mrs. Goldberg – 1st Grade Teacher
Ms. Valderrama – 1st Grade Teacher
Mrs. Mullaney – 1st Grade Teacher
Mrs. Saunders – 1st Grade Teacher
Mrs. Warner – 1st Grade Teacher
Mrs. Zbaraz – 1st Grade Teacher

Mrs. Marwitz – LBS Teacher
Mrs. Rozner – LBS Teacher
Mrs. Taylor – LBS Teacher
Mrs. Kreiman – Speech/Language Pathologist
Mrs. Magid – Speech/Language Pathologist
Mrs. Dolson – Occupational Therapist
Mrs. Kotlick – Physical Therapist
Mrs. Zaveduk – Social Worker
Ms. Heidenescher – Psychologist

Mrs. Caspari – Reading Support Teacher
Mrs. Gember – Music Teacher
Mrs. Matthews – Art Teacher
Ms. Herzog – Library Teacher
Ms. Guth – P.E. Teacher

Mrs. Reibel – Office Secretary
Mrs. Grischow – Building Assistant/Part-Time Art
Mrs. Szos – School Nurse
Mr. Rubio – Building Custodian

Mrs. Crask – Classroom Assistant
Mrs. Duroux – Classroom Assistant
Mrs. Forst – Classroom Assistant
Ms. Garcia – Classroom Assistant
Mrs. Guerra – Classroom Assistant

Mr. Harbaugh – Classroom Assistant
Mrs. Henders – Classroom Assistant
Mrs. Kolometz – Classroom Assistant
Mrs. Wojtalewicz – Classroom Assistant

As an early childhood, kindergarten, and first grade building, we have expanded our ability to deliver a unified and collaborative grade level teaming ability. We have combined all the best expertise, knowledge, wisdom, and, above all, nurturing environments between the former Eisenhower and Ross primary staff to develop a more highly synchronized grade level curricular and instructional center concept.

We are very happy to have the support of our newly combined District 23 Elementary PTO that has organized a multitude of family events, fundraisers, and opportunities for you to help contribute to the lives of our little Eagles. Our PTO's new website is <http://d23epto.org/PTO/>. Please join us for all of our PTO meetings this school year. Also, please make sure to check our new lunch program at <http://www.d23.org/ph23/foodservice.shtml>.

It is going to be a wonderful school year and I look forward to getting to know you and your child. Our primary goal is ensuring that their transition to a new grade level is a wonderful event replete with many rewarding experiences throughout the school year. The first day of school is Monday, August 22nd. Also, we have early dismissal on the first day at 10:30 a.m. The first day of early childhood and kindergarten is Monday, August 29th. Students should arrive no earlier than 8:15 in the morning. All students should be in the building by 8:30 AM.

All families dropping off or picking up their child will need to use our back parking lot turnaround loop. A 40' section of the loop will be striped for our Early Childhood Program buses. Morning supervisors will be outside to guide the students into the building. All students will lineup in our gymnasium. Only school buses will be allowed in the front parking lot. After 8:25 AM, all students arriving at school should use the front entrance. If you are arriving after 8:25 AM, you will need to park in our front lot and escort your child into the building. Due to traffic patterns and bus routes, the main front thoroughfare might have buses still arriving.

Please remember, if you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me at (847) 870-5040 or llambatos@d23.org We look forward to a wonderful year with you and your child. It is our sincere hope to see you attending PTO and school functions while being an active partner and/or volunteer in your child's classroom and learning experiences.

Sincerely,

Luke Lambatos, Ed.D. Ed.S.
Principal