



August 2022

Greetings Eliot Middle School Students and Families,

I hope everyone is having a great summer and finding ways to keep cool and relax with family and friends! Please remember that we have been updating our website throughout the summer with important information → <https://eliot.clintonpublic.net/>. Currently, our school supply lists for grades 5-8 are available on our website, and in addition, our Eliot summer reading requirements.

It's hard to believe we are already at the crossroads of another school year. I look forward to the start of every new year as it comes with new beginnings and new opportunities for everyone. We are so excited to welcome families and students to Eliot, including our youngest students - our fifth graders!

The faculty and staff have been busy planning and working throughout the summer with students in our summer programs, updating our new gymnasium floor with our mascot - the Eliot Husky, and busy preparing curriculum for our 2022-2023 school year. We would like to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of the Eliot faculty:

Kelly Roche - Grade 7, Science

Vidal Orduz - General Music and Band

Sara Mengel - Math Intervention/Specialist

Adam Hubley - Long-Term Substitute (Julia Carroll) - Grade 5, Math/Science

Leah Mucciarone - Long-Term Substitute (Sarah Fusaro) - Grades 5/7, School Counselor

The first day of school for students is Tuesday, August 30th. The school day officially begins at 7:45 AM and concludes at 2:45 PM. Please make every effort to arrive at school on time, every day. Attendance matters, and it is our job to inform and empower parents/families by providing information, resources, and support regarding the importance of being in school daily. Arrival and dismissal procedures for families that plan to drop-off/pick-up their students will be available on our website prior to the start of school. Once this information comes out, please follow the established procedures, as it will help ensure the safety of our students, as well as staff who monitor these areas. Bus route information will be available in the upcoming weeks as well.

During the first week of school, students will be coming home with many important papers/materials for you to complete and review. Please review all materials carefully, and send back promptly in order to have all of our records on file updated.

On Monday, August 15th, at 4pm, all families will be able to login to PowerSchool to view their child's team placement. This information will be sent home via School Messenger, so please check your email. If you do not receive an email on Monday evening, please contact the main office, (860) 664-6503, to speak with one of our secretaries. Once your child receives their team placement information, please understand that we cannot accommodate requests to place students with specific teams and teachers.

For those fifth grade families who were unable to attend our "Welcome to 5th Grade" presentation in the spring, you will have an opportunity to visit our school with your child prior to the first day of school. On Thursday, August 25th, from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM, fifth grade families will be invited to tour the building with Eliot students as your guides.

More information to follow.

****5th grade families, today, August 12th, you will receive detailed information via email by 4pm, on how to access PowerSchool. You will need PowerSchool to access your child's team placement which will be available by 4pm on Monday, August 15th****

Communication is essential to student success. Please check your email and/or our website frequently, for updated information pertaining to the 2022-2023 school year. If you are not receiving emails from us, please reach out to the main office to ensure we have your proper contact information.

I truly look forward to working with all of you in the upcoming school year. I hope you take time to relax, rejuvenate, and spend time with loved ones for the remainder of the summer.

In Partnership,

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Principal, Eliot Middle School