



Leaders in Learning

## RIDGE LAWN SCHOOL

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Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to Ridge Lawn School. We are glad that you are joining our Ridge Lawn family. We hope that this will be an exciting school year filled with new experiences and challenges for our students, faculty, and school community. Please read on to find out some important information regarding the school year.

### **SCHOOL HOURS**

Our regular school hours for Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are 8:10 am – 3:00 pm.

### **TARDINESS AND ABSENCES**

Every child is urged to form excellent habits regarding attendance and promptness. A right start every day helps foster a positive attitude. **Should your child be absent, you will need to call the office (636-2002) before the start of the day to report the absence.** In the event that you do not report your child absent before school starts, a school secretary will call you at home or work to confirm your child's absence. This is for your child's safety.

### **MONTHLY AND YEARLY CALENDARS**

You will receive both yearly and monthly calendars throughout the school year for important information. These calendars will also be available on the district and school webpages. **Please note that the last Wednesday of the month is typically an Early Dismissal Day in which the children are dismissed at 11:30 am.** There are some exceptions throughout the year so be sure to check your yearly and monthly school calendars on a regular basis.

### **BUS RIDER INFORMATION**

If your child is eligible to ride the school bus, you will be provided information regarding the bus route, including his/her bus stop and pick up time. If your child rides the bus, **make sure he/she is at the stop at least five minutes before the time that the bus is scheduled to be at the bus stop.**

### **BREAKFAST & LUNCH PROGRAM**

Students in kindergarten through fifth grade may either bring a lunch from home or order a school lunch from our lunch program. All children in the District are eligible for **free breakfast and lunch** under the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) allows schools and local educational agencies (LEAs) located in low-income areas to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students. For more details, visit <https://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/cn/CEPfactsheet.pdf>. (The USDA and this institution are equal opportunity providers.)

**Students will order breakfast and/or lunch on a daily basis. *If students are having breakfast at school, they should arrive at 8:00 am.*** If you have any questions about the breakfast and lunch program, you can call the lunchroom hostess, at 636-2002 extension 2323.

Milk may also be purchased separately for the cost of 35 cents.

If it is necessary to bring a lunch during the day, please clearly mark your child's name and room number on it and drop it off in the office vestibule. We ask that you refrain from this practice as much as possible since it can be very disruptive to the learning process.

### **COMMUNICATION AND SCHOOL INFORMATION**

This year we will continue to utilize a communication system called School Messenger to communicate important school information. This system can send text messages, e-mails and automated phone calls. The school will be using School Messenger to communicate school events, as well as emergency messages. Please be sure that your current email address and cell phone number is on file with the school office to ensure that you receive these messages over the course of the school year.

### **WEBSITE**

We encourage you to use our District website to find out important information about school events and programs. The school and district calendar will be great sources of help to look up upcoming events and scheduled days off. Please visit the website on a regular basis to see district and school level information and updates. The website will be regularly updated so that you can stay well-informed. Each teacher also has a webpage with pertinent information. Our website is: [www.crsd1275.org](http://www.crsd1275.org). On the website you also will find information that was previously sent home with the students. We hope that you will find our new website as a valuable source of school and district information.

### **CHICAGO RIDGE PTA**

We encourage all families to join and support our PTA for a low family membership of \$10.00. The PTA helps fund events for the children throughout the school year, such as Family Read Nights, Scholastic Book Fairs, assemblies, the 5th grade helper field trip and so much more. Look for more information as the year progresses about monthly meetings and programs.

At Ridge Lawn School, we are committed to providing a quality, solid educational program for your child. In order to be successful, we need your continued support and cooperation throughout the school year. Together, we can build and strengthen your child's love of learning and develop life-long talents. Our hope is that we can work together as a strong educational team for the benefit of your child.

The entire staff at Ridge Lawn School extends their warmest wishes for a rewarding and fruitful school year. If there is anything we can do to be of assistance, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Fran Setaro  
Principal  
Ridge Lawn School