

July 29, 2022

Dear Monterey Families,

We are looking forward to welcoming you and our students back to Monterey for the 2022-2023 school year.

Teachers have been busy putting the finishing touches on their classrooms just in time for the first day of school on Monday, August 15. This letter includes valuable information as you and your family return to school. We encourage you to share it with your child(ren).

Back to School Night

Thursday, August 11th between 4:00-6:00 PM will be Monterey's Back-to-School night. We hope you can all join us. Teachers are looking forward to meeting their students and families are welcome to drop off school supplies. For a complete list of student grade level school supplies, please click this link: [Supply List](#)

Monday, August 15th will be the first day of school for all students in 1st - 8th grade. Kindergarten students will have a staggered start.

- On Monday, August 15, kindergarten students with last names A-M will attend for a full day.
- On Tuesday, August 16, kindergarten students with the last name starting N-Z will attend for a full day.
- On Wednesday, August 17, all kindergarten students will attend school together.

School Hours

School hours have changed slightly from the previous year. Students may arrive between 8:10-8:20 AM. Classes will begin at 8:20 AM and end at 3:00 PM. Students will be tardy if they arrive after 8:20 AM.

Arrival & Dismissal

We will follow the same procedures as last year to conduct a safe and efficient arrival and dismissal for students.

Bus Riders will have a breakfast choice as they enter the building through the front doors and go directly to their classrooms. **If you have any question regarding bus transportation information, please contact the transportation department at 303.853.1024.**

Walkers & Parent Drop Off & Pick Up – please do NOT drop off or have your child(ren) walk to school before 8:10 AM. There will be no supervision available. Upon arrival after 8:10 AM, a breakfast choice will be available for students as they enter the school and go directly to their classrooms. All students will dismiss at 3:00 PM and should walk home directly or wait for parents in the parent pick up area.

If you need to pick up your child early or drop them off after 8:10 a.m., please call the front office at 303.853.1360 and our office staff will be able to assist you to ensure your child enters and exits the building safely.

Dress Code

Monterey will continue to follow the district standard dress code which is outlined below and may be found in the [Student Behavior Handbook](#). Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Dress Code Guidelines:

- Pants/skirts/shorts are in good condition.
- Pants/skirts/shorts, including jeans, are acceptable with and without stitching as long as any writing is not distracting to the learning environment. Therefore, violent images, such as skulls and knives, gang symbols, disrespectful sayings, alcohol advertisements etc. are not allowed on any item of clothing.
- Sagging of pants will not be allowed at school.
- Shorts/capris/skorts need to be no shorter than midway on the thigh.
- Always plan on your child going outside to play; the cutoff for indoor recess is only if it is below 25 degrees or if there is heavy snow and rain.
- Clothing needs to be functional for school. Students will have physical education classes on most days and therefore should not wear items such as high heels, loosely tied shoes, or dangling earrings.
- Pajamas, slippers, and blankets should not be worn or brought to school unless designated as a special class reward.
- Heely wheels create safety hazards and should not be worn to school.
- While inside the building students do not wear hats, use music devices, or cell phones during school hours.

Communication and Parent Involvement:

We value our families and the partnership we share in your child's education. Please visit our [website](#) to learn more about different opportunities you have as a parent to get involved at Monterey.

To contact us, please send an email by typing your teacher's last name and first initial @mapleton.us (smithj@mapleton.us) or give us a call at (303)852-1360. If you have not already done so, please make sure to update your current contact information in Infinite Campus so we to stay in contact with you throughout the school year. If you need assistance, please call Gina or Monica at (303)853-1360.

Thank you,

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