



From the Principal....

June 4, 2021

Dear Parents,

The only way to begin this newsletter is with a huge, heartfelt THANK YOU to all of you! Without your support, understanding, patience, dedication, teaching, love, grace, and flexibility, we could not have made it through the 20-21 school year. Together, we persevered and made it through the most difficult school year that we've ever experienced and likely will ever experience again. There were many ups and downs, but I will always look back and focus on the many positives. Students, parents, teachers, and staff rose to the challenge, worked hard, and without a doubt, grew and learned.

Wrapping Up 20-21

Instructional Supplies Return/Library Books

Please return any instructional supplies and library books before the last day of school.

Chromebooks/Hotspots

- Students who have a WCPSS issued Chromebook will keep them for the summer and use them next school year. WCPSS is implementing a 1:1 student/device initiative beginning with the 21-22 school year.
- Hotspots must be returned before June 10, 2021.

Preparing for 21-22

Safety Protocols

During the 21-22 school year, we will continue to follow all safety and health guidelines set forth by the State and WCPSS. At this time, we don't know what these guidelines are, but I will communicate these guidelines to you prior to the start of the school year.

Important Dates for the Start of 2021-2022

- Teacher Workdays: August 17-20, 2021
- Meet the Teacher (Grades 1st-5th): August 19, 2021, 4:00 – 6:00 pm
- First Day of School: August 23, 2021
- Kindergarten Staggered Entry: August 23-26, 2021
- Kindergarten Meet-the-Teacher: August 27, 2021, 10:00 – 11:00 am

Supply Lists

2021-2022 grade level supply lists will be posted on our school website within the next few weeks.

<https://www.wcpss.net/MillsParkES>.



Before School Care Program

As we prepare for the 21-22 school year, we would like to gauge the level of parent interest in utilizing the Before School Care Program. Our Before School program, staffed by Mills Park employees, runs from 7:00 am - 8:45 am daily. The cost is \$96.25/month/child. Please complete the brief survey below if you are interested in participating in the Before School Care Program for the 21-22 school year. Please understand completing this survey does not secure a seat for your child(ren) in the program.

[Interest Form Before School Care Program](#)

IMPORTANT - Not Returning to Mills Park Elementary for the 2021-2022 School Year?

Please click on the link below and complete the short form for each of your students who will **NOT** be returning to Mills Park Elementary for the 2021-2022 school year. You do not need to complete this form if your child is a current 5th grade student.

[NOT RETURNING to MPE FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR](#)

Rising Kindergarten Students

Please remind your friends and neighbors that it is time register for Kindergarten for the 2021-2022 school year. If your child is five years old by 8/31/2021, you can enroll them now for Kindergarten! Please visit <https://www.wcpss.net/domain/13656> for more information.

Parent-Student Welcome Letter 21-22

During the week of August 9th, my Welcome letter will be posted on the school website. I will also send it via SchoolMessenger. The letter will contain a lot of information that will help you and your student(s) start the new school year on a positive note.

I hope you have a safe and relaxing summer break. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Michael Regan
Principal