



From the Principal....

June 6, 2022

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your family are safe and healthy. It's hard to believe it's the last week of school. I want to thank you for your patience, understanding, and support as we navigated a second full school year dealing with COVID. On many levels, we had a highly successful school year. Mostly, I am especially proud of our students for working hard and persevering throughout the school year.

Wrapping Up 22-23

Instructional Supplies/Library Books

Please return any instructional supplies and library books before the last day of school (June 10).

Chromebooks

Students who have a WCPSS issued Chromebook and attending a WCPSS school for the 22-23 school year will keep them over the summer and use them next school year. Students not returning to a WCPSS school for the 22-23 must turn in their Chromebook by June 10.

Nourishing Noggins 'Fill the Backpack' Drive

We would like to invite you to participate in our "Fill the Backpack" drive to help donate school supplies to MPE families in need. The Nourishing Noggins program has traditionally provided essential supplies for these students to relieve any financial burden from attending school. This year, we would like to ask for donations from our families to help supplement the needs of these children. There will be a cart outside the school entrance where the supplies can be dropped off until the last day of school, June 10th. Some items have suggested Amazon links that you can use (please copy and paste them into your browser). Please note that donations from our Yubbler program will also go towards supporting our Nourishing Noggins drive.

Preparing for 22-23

Not Returning to Mills Park Elementary for the 2022-2023 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 2022-2023 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 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR](#)



Important Dates for the Start of 2022-2023

- Teacher Workdays: August 17-26, 2022
- Meet-the-Teacher (grades 1st-5th): August 25, 2022 (times to be determined)
- First Day of School: August 29, 2022
- Kindergarten Staggered Entry: Aug 29 – Sept. 1, 2022
- Kindergarten Meet-the-Teacher: Sept. 2, 2022, 10:00 – 11:00 am

Grade Level Supply Lists 2022-2023

[Click here for the 2022-2023 grade level supply lists](#). Purchase next year's school supplies on Yubbler, and they will be shipped directly to your home (\$4.99 flat rate for shipping) and 50% of their profit is donated back to MPE PTA. Our Yubbler page is active! [Click here](#) to go to yubbler.com and add your child's grade supply list. Customize the list (remove things you already have, add in extra supplies) before you check out. June orders receive 10% off core items.

Parent-Student Welcome Letter 2022-2023

During the week of Aug. 8th, I will send my 2022-2023 Parent-Student Welcome Letter via SchoolMessenger. It will also be posted on the school website. 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.

Check Your Bus Transportation Status

View your student's 2022-23 Transportation status via your student's Homebase/Powerschool account. Sign up for an account at your student's school. More information on Home Base is available at www.wcpss.net/student-information. Your student's AM and/or PM transportation codes will display "Y" (yes) or "N" (no) for the 2022-23 school year until routes are posted. Routes usually are posted about 10 days before the start of the school year.

- If your student's code is "Y" and your student will be using transportation next school year, no action is required.
- If your student's code is "N" and you would like for your student to use transportation next school year, please submit a transportation request.

If you are not currently registered for transportation but would like service next school year, you must request transportation by the deadline listed below to ensure service on the first day. To register, go to www.wcpss.net/busrider.

Deadline for Traditional Calendar Schools is **July 18, 2022**.

Bus Transportation Assignment Notifications for 2022-2023

Bus transportation assignment approvals for the 2022-23 school year will include a service start date sent via email to each family. As routes are posted, WCPSS Transportation will notify families individually. Notifications will start Aug. 19, 2022 for traditional schools.



Carpool Tags 2022-2023

New carpool tags will be issued for the 2022-2023 school year. The new tags will be available during Meet-the-Teacher on Aug. 25, 2022. Please discard your current carpool tag after June 10, 2022.

Kindergarten Registration is open for the 2022-2023 School Year

Please remind your friends and neighbors that it is time register for Kindergarten for the 2022-2023 school year. If your child is 5 years old by August 31st, 2022, you can register for kindergarten for the 2022-2023 school year. [Click HERE](#) to go to the Wake County website to access the online application process.

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

Sincerely,

Michael Regan
Principal

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