



“Promote student achievement by learning through the Arts!”

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Hello SDSA Families,

The purpose of this communication is to share important changes that will be occurring this school year. Please see below:

- Transportation – This year SDSA will have dedicated busses who will be bringing our students to school and bringing them home. Below are pick-up and drop-off details based on where you live:
 - In-District Southern End (Dagsboro, Frankford, Selbyville and Ocean View)
 - In the morning parents have two options for pick-up. There will be one pick-up hub in the Ocean View area at Lord Baltimore Elementary. If you do not live in the Ocean View area, parents can also have their children picked up at their homes.
 - In the afternoon, students can either be dropped off at the Giant Shopping Center Hub in Ocean View, or at their homes.
 - In-District Northern End (Georgetown and Millsboro)
 - In the morning students must be picked up at one of four hubs. Those are the Howard T. Ennis school, Georgetown Elementary and Middle School, or at BJ’s in Millsboro.
 - In the afternoon students can be taken to their homes. Students can also be dropped off at Millsboro Middle School or the Armory in Georgetown.
 - In-District Northern end (Long Neck)
 - Students who live in Long Neck will utilize hubs in the morning and afternoon. In the morning the hub will be located at Long Neck Elementary School. In the afternoon, students will be dropped off at the Harris Teeter.
 - Out-of-District Students
 - Students must either be dropped off and picked up through the parent pick-up process or if they can get their students to a hub location they can be transported by bus to school. In the afternoon students will need to be dropped off either at a hub location or at an in-district address.
 - Communication
 - If you are new to the school or if you are requesting a different pick-up or drop-off from last school year, you must call our office at 302-436-1066 to make us aware of the change. We are requesting that you communicate these accommodations to us by Friday, August 26th so that transportation can be set up for the beginning of the school year.
 - If there are no changes from last school year you do not need to contact us.
 - Bus drivers have been instructed to contact parents to let them know of pick-up and drop-off times.

- School Day Times – For the 2022-2023 school year the SDSA school day will run from 8:10 am until 3:00 pm. Parents can begin to drop off students at 7:45 am through the parent drop-off/pick-up line that goes around the back of the building. Students arriving after 8:10 am and up to 9:40 am will be considered tardy. Students arriving after 9:40 am will be considered absent for the portion of the day that they have missed.
- Uniforms – The following changes have been made to the SDSA uniform policy:
 - Tops – tops no longer need to be tucked in throughout the day. Uniform tops may be untucked, however cannot be excessive in length.
 - Belts – belts are no longer a required aspect of the uniform policy; however uniform bottoms must be worn as intended at the hips and cannot go lower.
 - Bottoms – The length of shorts, skirts, Skorts, culottes, jumpers and dresses must be worn at or below the mid-thigh area while the student is standing.
- Free and Reduced Meal Form – Over the course of the last two school years all students received free meals while at school. Students are no longer receiving free meals unless they qualify for Free and/or Reduced Meals based on the guidelines set by the federal government. In order to determine eligibility for Free and/or Reduced Meals parents must complete the FARM Form and submit it to the school. This form will be in the packet of papers that are coming home with students on the first day of school. Students who turn in completed Meal Benefit Forms will receive a non-uniform pass.

The open house for SDSA families will take place on September 1, 2022. The times for the open house are as follows:

- For families of students in grades K-4 the open house will begin at 5:30 in the SDSA Cafeteria.
- For families of students in grades 5-8 the open house will begin at 6:15 in the SDSA Cafeteria.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and the administration and staff is looking forward to a wonderful school year.