

Dear Roosevelt Families,

I want to officially welcome all of you to the 2019-2020 school year! Summer has come and gone and we must now move forward with an exciting school year! We have been very busy throughout our campus this summer preparing for the arrival of our students. Everything is progressing smoothly to a great opening of school! Our students in grades 1-8 will begin on Thursday, September 5th and our kindergarten students will begin on Monday, September 9th.

I am privileged to have the opportunity to return this school year as your Principal and I feel honored to work with our highly qualified and dedicated staff, our wonderful students, and all of the supportive parents. The elementary and middle school years are critical times of development for students and families and I look forward to working with all of you to make this school year successful. I am a lifelong educator and I am committed to students and families as well as a love for learning.

Our teachers have been working hard in preparing their classrooms and lesson plans that promise to make for another exciting and productive year at the Roosevelt. We give many thanks to our head custodians, Mr. Paul and Mr. Mike, and their crews who have been working diligently to prepare our campus for the start of the new school year. All we await for now is our fabulous Roosevelt students.

I'd like to invite you to visit our school's website at <https://www.bostonpublicschools.org/roosevelt>. This will serve as a resource tool for all upcoming events, student/parent handbook, important reminders and you can catch up with all of the wonderful things our students, teachers, parents and community partners are doing. Please also follow us on Twitter @RooseveltK8BPS.

In closing, please enjoy the remaining days of summer. I look forward to seeing many new and familiar faces on our first day of school. Our exciting journey begins on Thursday, September 5th for students in grades 1-8 and on Monday, September 9th for students in kindergarten.

Some helpful information:

School Times: School drop off is 8:15 and any students arriving after 8:30 is considered late. School pick up is from 3:05-3:15 pm at both campuses.

Transportation: If you plan on having your child ride the bus, you will get a mailing the last week of August that will give you the pick up location and the bus number. Please call us on Friday, September 1st if you have not received this information. The school's phone number is 617-635-8676

Before and After School: We provide daily programming at both campuses.

At Lower Campus, we offer a before school program from 7:30-8:15 AM (\$5.00 per day) and an after school program for students in K0 through Grade 2(3:10-5:30PM). You must register and you can sign up your child for any or all days. For information on pricing or to register, contact Andera Wong Peterson (awongpeterson@bostonpublicschools.org).

At Upper Campus we offer a drop in before school program from 7:15-8:15 AM (\$5.00 per day) with homework help and a variety of daily activities. To register, please contact Ms. Sobers (jsobers@bostonpublicschools.org). An after school program is provided by Little Voices in our cafeteria. Seats are limited, so call 617-361-5555 to reserve a spot now.

Breakfast/Lunch Program: Breakfast and lunch will again be free for ALL students.

Dress Code: We do not have a school uniform. Students are expected to wear clothes that are clean, neat, fit and are appropriate for a school environment .

Medications: If your child has allergies, asthma, medications or other medical needs, please be sure to send in any needed medications or equipment with the doctor's orders so that we are able to support your child.

Parent Council: The first Parent Council meeting of the year will be on the first Tuesday of every month (September TBD) at 6:00pm in the Upper Campus library. Please come to learn about how you can participate in and improve your child's school!

Parent CORIs: We highly encourage and support parent engagement. However, parents who wish to volunteer in a classroom or chaperone a field trip MUST be CORI'd. CORIs are a criminal record check that will help to ensure that our students are safe at all times. CORI forms can be completed online at Boston Public School CORI/SORI Form.

Sincerely,

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