

ROSARYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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August 2024,

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

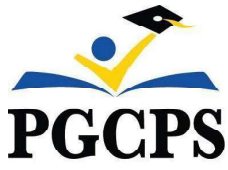
Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year at Rosaryville Elementary School, where we plan to welcome over 500 students on August 26, 2024. As we embark upon the new school year, I am honored to continue serving as the proud principal of Rosaryville Elementary School. This year's theme is "**Go for Gold**," and we can't wait to see our scholars shine bright as they strive for excellence in all that they do. While working collaboratively to "**Go for Gold**," the Rosaryville team aims to inspire every student to unleash their inner champion. Just like athletes who train hard to achieve their dreams, we believe that every child has the potential to reach for their own personal "gold" this year. Whether mastering a new skill, excelling in academics, or fostering friendships, we will encourage our scholars to aim high and pursue their passions with grit, courage, and enthusiasm.

We invite you to support your child in their quest for gold this year. Encourage them to set personal goals, embrace challenges, and celebrate their achievements. Whether it's cheering them on during school events, helping them with homework, or fostering a positive learning environment at home, your contributions make a significant difference. We thank you in advance for partnering with us in the upcoming journey.

As you prepare for opening day on August 26th, please review the important dates and announcements on the following page.

Sincerely,

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OPEN HOUSE/SUPPLY DROP-OFF - FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2024

***8:30-9:30 AM - AUTISM PROGRAM ORIENTATION:** New and returning students enrolled in Rosaryville's Elementary Autism Program are invited to meet essential staff members, view their classroom, meet their teacher, and drop-off supplies.

***10:00-11:00 AM - PREK & KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION:** Students and parents will visit the classroom, meet the teacher and learn about the Prek/Kindergarten program. Families are welcome to drop-off students' school supplies.

***11:30 - 12:30 PM- NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION (GRADES 1-5):** New students and parents in grades 1-5 are invited to visit the classroom, meet the teacher, and learn about the upcoming school year. Families are welcome to drop-off students' school supplies. (New students entering grades and Prek and Kindergarten should only attend their orientation from 10:00-11:00 AM).

***1:00-2:00 PM - RETURNING STUDENTS: SNEAK-A-PEEK & SUPPLY DROP-OFF:** Returning students are invited to take a brief sneak-peek at their classroom, meet their teacher, and drop-off school supplies.

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY: Rosaryville Elementary School is a mandatory uniform school. According to Board of Education policy, a complete uniform is required every day unless you receive a written communication home stating otherwise (i.e. spirit days, picture day). Please access the following [LINK](#) to view the RES mandatory uniform policy.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST: Rosaryville Elementary School scholars will utilize the following supplies ([LINK](#)) throughout the 2024-2025 school year. Parents that need assistance with purchasing supplies should contact our main office at (301) 599-2490.

CLASS DOJO: New parents will receive a request to join Class Dojo before the first day of school. Returning parents will remain connected to Class Dojo and are encouraged to turn on notification settings if they were silenced during the summer break. Please note that RES will use Class Dojo as the primary method of communication throughout the 2024-2025 school year.

FREE/REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS: Meal benefit applications are required to determine eligibility for free or reduced-priced meals. Applications can be completed online at MySchoolApps.com. Online applications are processed within 48 hours. Students not eligible for free or reduced-priced meals must pay for their meals. Parents are encouraged to complete the lunch application to determine eligibility for meal benefits and other school-based programs.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL LOGISTICS: Parents or guardians who are interested in "walking their child to class" on the first day of school should do so on August 23rd during Open House. Parents and guardians will not be able to walk students to classrooms on August 26th due to parking limitations. We have attempted to accommodate this tradition in previous years, and as a parent of little ones, I completely understand the interest. Unfortunately, due to our parking lot capacity, this ritual creates a traffic gridlock that significantly inconveniences both parents and community members. Please know that RES has 68 staff members that will be strategically placed outside and inside to ensure that students arrive safely to their classrooms.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS: RES will host Back to School Night for grades Pre-K-2 on Tuesday, September 17th at 6:00 PM and grades 3-5 on Wednesday, September 18th at 6:00 PM.