



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Olympic Families, I hope you all have had an enjoyable and relaxing summer. My family and I enjoyed camping and hanging out in the sun during the beautiful month of July. The summer provided a nice opportunity for us all to reenergize ourselves.

The school year is quickly coming to the forefront of our minds. By the time many of you are reading this there will only be a couple of weeks until the school year begins. This time frame can be full of anxious moments or anticipated excitement. In either case the staff at Olympic is thrilled to be working with your students in helping them reach their goals and dreams.

Prior to school beginning we will have dates set for returning students to pick up their schedules and pay for an ASB card and yearbook. For our new incoming 6th graders we will be conducting a registration day with tours of the school. We hope our entire new 6th grade families can come to this fun event on August 21st from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 7th and 8th grade students are able to pick up schedules and pay fees on August 29th from 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

In preparation to the beginning of the school year it is helpful to initiate the transition back to school earlier, rather than later. The toughest transition for many students is waking up early. It is a good idea to

begin the process of waking up earlier in the morning as soon as possible. Additionally, it is helpful for students to read a book or magazine to keep their brain sharp and prepared for new learning.

This year our focus will be on the Champion qualities of Empathy, Respect, Persistence, Ownership, and Integrity. These are key attributes to help students be Champions in the classroom and the community.

Thank you for allowing us to serve your families. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Make it a great day the cougar way!

Jason Hill, Principal

Special Dates:

- ✓ Aug. 21 Registration, Schedule Pick Up, 6th grade 9:00 am —11:00 am.
- ✓ Aug. 27 Football, 7th and 8th grade, 1st day of practice. 2:30-4:00 pm
- ✓ Aug. 27 Girls Fast Pitch, 7th and 8th grade, 2:30-4:00 pm
- ✓ Aug.. 29 Back to School Night Open House and BBQ 5:00-8:00 and 7/8th grade schedule pick up.
- ✓ Sept. 5 First Day of School 7:45 am
- ✓ Sept. 6 Girls Basketball 6th grade
- ✓ Sept. 13 Picture Day
- ✓ Sept. 21 Color Run Packet sent home with students
- ✓ Sept. 24 PLC Late Start School starts at 8:45 am
- ✓ Oct. 1 PLC Late Start. Federal Survey Forms sent home to parents
- ✓ Oct. 1 Boys Basketball begins 6th grade
- ✓ Oct. 8 Late Start Day School starts at 8:45
- ✓ Oct. 11 Color Run
- ✓ Oct. 12 Waiver Day No School
- ✓ Oct. 18 Picture Retake Day
- ✓ Oct. 24 Literacy Night 6:00—7:00 pm

Open House Back to School Night and BBQ

August 29, 2018 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

We invite all of our families to our open house event where you will be able to meet your student's teachers and gain an understanding of each classroom's expectations and curriculum. This is a nice time to gather information and questions. Open house is not a conference-type setting so if there is a need to meet with individual questions please schedule a different time with the teachers.





Auburn School District Hosts Welcome to School Event

All Auburn School District families are invited to the district's inaugural Welcome to School event from 3-:30-6:30 p.m., August 22 at Auburn High School.

This free event will feature a resource fair with numerous booths from community partners and district programs, information about immunizations, high school programs, child nutrition, employment in the district and more.

There will be a barbecue, entertainment, a bouncy house, raffle and other activities for kids.

Please email communications@auburn.wednet.edu with any questions.

Schedule Pick-up and Registration Day

6TH GRADE REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULE PICK UP

... will be August 21th for 6th grade Olympic Middle School students from 9:00-11:00 am.

students, and then tour the school.

- Schedule Pick-Up
- Athletic forms must be completed on line by both the student and parent.
- ♦ Purchase ASB Card \$15.00 All students who participate in after-school athletics, clubs, or are enrolled in Choir, Band or Orchestra are required to purchase an ASB Card. Funds from

the sale of ASB cards help to support these activities.

Yearbook—Fall Price \$32 Fall sales will be from 8/21/18 to 6th grade will have a short meeting 9/18/18 Spring sales will run for two at 9:00 in the gym for parents and weeks in June, the dates to be determined later. The cost in June will be \$32 each. QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED IN THE SPRING AND THERE IS NO GUARANTEE OF AVAILABILITY.

*All items may also be purchased once school has



Meet and Greet in Gym

Principal's Address

Schedules

Purchases/Fines

Special Education Program

Honors Program

Math Program

Clubs/Activities

Sports

Tips for being Successful

Reminder to all incoming 6th grade students: you must have your Tdap (on or after your 11th birthday and a 2nd Varicella immunization before the first day of school. Please bring your proof of shot record on our Registration Day.

For free immunizations, please go to this link: https://www.multicare.org/immunization-clinic

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This year's Open House will include a BBQ from 5:00-8:00 pm at no charge to you!. Following the BBQ, you will have the opportunity to tour the school and meet our staff. We look forward to another great year at Olympic Middle School.

CALENDAR

STUDENT ATTENDANCE YEAR

September 5, First Day of School June 20E/21S, Last Day of School

*NON-ATTENDANCE DAYS

*September 3 Labor Day

+October 12 Waiver Day

*November 12 Veterans' day

#November 14-16 Elem./middle school conferences

(Early release/late arrival days)

#November 21 Early release day

*November 22-23 Thanksgiving vacation

*December 24- Jan 4 Winter vacation

*January 21 Martin Luther King Day

*January 28 Optional day—(Secondary teachers)

*February 18 Presidents' Day-No School

*February 19-22 Mid-winter Break

=March 11 Waiver Day

*April 8-12 Spring vacation

=May 6 Waiver day

*May 27 Memorial Day

^May 28-29 Alternate emergency school closure day

June 20Last day of school—elementary

June 21 Last day of school—secondary

*No school for teachers and students

#Contracted day for teachers-early release/late arrival days for elementary/middle school students

+Dist. Designated/optional teachers' workshop no school for students

++State-wide in-service day—no school for students

^Alternate emergency school closure day

(Potential alternate emergency make-up day;

if not needed, school will not be in session.)

=Waiver day-no school for students.

Contingent upon State Board of Education approval ADJUSTED SCHEDULE DAYS

Auburn School District is committed to improve student learning. One of our strategies for this improvement includes having teachers work collaboratively in Professional Learning Communities (PLCs), or small teaching groups, to ensure this continuous improvement. Beginning the last week in September, Olympic students will start one hour late at 845 a.m. on the following dates.

September 24

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

November 5, 26

December 3, 10, 17

January 7, 14

February 4, 11, 25

March 4, 18, 25

April 1, 15, 22, 29

May 13, 20

OLYMPIC DRESS FOR SUCCESS

Olympic Middle School is a learning environment. Good habits developed here will enable students to be successful outside of school. Attitudes and behaviors are influenced by how much body is revealed and by printed statements and symbols. Clothing that interferes with productive behavior or attitudes will not be allowed. The dress code was based on input from students, staff, and parents in an effort to foster pride and respect within our community.

Social or secret clubs and/or gangs are prohibited at Olympic Middle School. In keeping with this policy, students shall not be permitted to wear clothing, insignia, or markings that identify them as members of such organizations, or any combination of apparel that law enforcement agencies currently consider to be gang related. Bandanas, rosaries, bracelets, colors, or any other items indicative of gang representation are strictly prohibited and will not be allowed on campus or at school spon-

sored events at any time.



CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES Meal Pricing 2018-2019

Milk only = \$.50

Evening (non school lunch) BBQ = \$5.00 per person (includes milk or water)

Secondary (Middle School and High School) Breakfast

Regular price—students who do not qualify for free or reduced-price meals = \$1.50

Students who qualify for free meals = no charge

Students who qualify for reduced-price meals = no charge

Second Student Breakfast = \$2.00

Adults / non-ASD students / non-enrolled students / quests = \$2.50

Breakfast Entrée Only (a la carte) = \$1.50

Secondary (Middle School and High School) Lunch

Regular price—students who do not qualify for free or reduced-price meals = \$3.25

Students who qualify for free meals = no charge

Students who *qualify for reduced-price* meals = **40**¢

Second Student Lunch = \$3.50

Adults / non-ASD students / non-enrolled students / guests = \$4.00

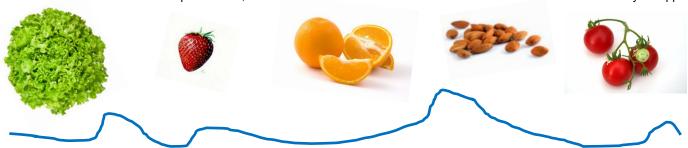
Secondary Lunch Entrée Only (a la carte) = \$2.75



<u>How to Make a Lunch Deposit Online</u> To Use the Internet and a Credit Card to Pay for Lunch, or view Student <u>Cafeteria Purchases or Balances:</u>

Visit the school or school district Child Nutrition web site and click on the link to "PAY FOR MEALS." From there, you will find a link to online payments through your Skyward Family Access account. Choose to pre-pay school meals with RevTrak, and complete the payment steps. Click on the link to view instructions for making online payments. You will receive confirmation of your payment by email.

From Family Access you will find step by step instructions for paying for meals, you are able to see if your child was served a meal, monitor his/her account balance, view menus, complete online applications for free or reduced price meals, as well as see if your appli-



VOTER REGISTRATION

If you have not already registered to vote in the upcoming elections, please access the following websites to verify your eligibility and to complete a voter registration form by the necessary date in order to vote in the General Election.

https://wei.sos.wa.gov/agency/osos/en/voters/Pages/voter_eligibility.aspx

https://wei.sos.wa.gov/agency/osos/en/voters/Pages/dates and deadlines.aspx

https://wei.sos.wa.gov/agency/osos/en/Pages/myvote1.aspx

FAMILY AND STUDENT ACCESS

Dear Olympic Families;

Olympic is excited about promoting the tool to improve parent, student, and teacher communication regarding student academic progress. Olympic Middle School teachers will be expanding the use of Family Access. Olympic families with internet access can view quarterly grades and view daily attendance on-line and will also be able to view daily assignments and homework grades.

What can you expect from Family Access?

- Daily assignments will be "posted" and available for parents to view approximately 7-10 business days after the assignment is turned in
- Writing assignments, extra credit, tests and project grades will be available to view as they are graded.
- All Core classes including social studies, math, language arts and science grades will be available for viewing. Elective classes that are posting their grades include: physical

2 Spiral notebooks

Blunt school scissors

12" Ruler

education (PE), computer applications, learning assistance program (LAP), band, orchestra, and choir.

What can you expect from Student Access: Your child will be able to view online: messages from teachers, quarter grades, daily attendance (absences & tardies), as well as current grades in your classes which include tests, projects, and homework scores, just as you are able to do with the online Family Access tool.

The web address for Student Access is: http://family.auburn.wa-k12.net. You can also find a direct link from the Auburn School District home page by clicking Families and click on Family and Student Access.

Your student may securely login to this website from any computer connected to the Internet at school or at home. Their login name is the first five letters of their last name (if the last name is less than 5 letters you must use a space bar for each letter that is missing), the first three letters of their first name and a random

number. The login and password are not case-sensitive.

Students are encouraged to remember to change their password when they first visit this web site. It is important you keep the login information secure. This login gives access to their academic progress. If they lose or forget their login information, they need to contact the registrar's office at 253-931-4966.

Olympic staff and administration are looking forward to this opportunity for parent and student communication. Families with questions regarding Family Access can contact the registrar's office at 253-931-4966. Family Access can translate to several languages including Spanish, German, French, Russian, Vietnamese.... It even translates the assignments!

	School Supplies for	the 2018-2019 School Year	
	All students are required to have:		
	3-ring notebook binder with 2" - 2 ½" metal	One box of Kleenex	
	rings	Students should have a dictionary, thesaurus,	
	Pencil pouch	and an atlas at home.	
	Index dividers	Individual teachers may request additional	
ML	Number 2 pencils	materials.	
	Black and Red Pens		
MM	Erasers	7th and 8th grade Math Supply List	
	Notebook Paper	Pencils—4 dozen	
	Wide ruled—6th grade	Chrome Book wipes (for screen)	
	College ruled- 7th and 8th grade	Composition Notebook	
	Red correcting pencil	Ream of printer paper	
	Set of 12 colored pencils	Box of Tissues	
	Glue Sticks	2 White board erasers	

6 White board dry erase black pens

HOW TO GET GOOD GRADES

Be successful in class by following these easy tips.

- ties you have. Think of your grades as academic goals.
- Be Organized—Use a planner; break down assignments; use a notebook and folders.
- Manage your Time Well—Use class time wisely; create your own study plan, eliminate disruptions.
- Take Good Notes—Be an active listener, take good notes. Taking notes can help you pay attention, recognize important information. Use key words.
- Read to learn—Review the bold headings, read the material and then review the material again and take notes on what you have read.

- Believe in yourself—Recognize the talents and abili- 6. Be Successful in class—Be in school every day and
 - 7. Learn how to adapt to different teachers. Part of education is learning how to adapt to different sets of rules, personalities, and teaching styles.
 - 8. Be Prepared for each class—Have everything you need including paper, pencils, books. Also, have all of your homework done. Being prepared means coming to class rested and ready to learn.
 - Sit in the front of the class, if possible and beware of your body language. Sit up straight, be alert, and look at your teachers when they are talking.
 - 10. Treat others with respect. Treat others the way you want to be treated. Take responsibility for your choices.

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

WHERE TO GET A SPORTS PHYSICAL?

The Clinic at Wal-Mart www.auburnregional.com/Home

\$30 Sports Physicals

HEALTHPOINT www.healthpointchc.org

\$35 Sports Physicals

For HEALTHPOINT patients or for students that don't already have a doctor or PCP Auburn HEALTHPOINT

FREE—Middle/High School Sports Physicals (for the uninsured and underinsured)

Christ Community Free Clinic @ www.christfreeclinic.org

Need Insurance??

For information on free or low-cost health coverage through Apple Health for Kids, call 206-296-3944 or 1-800-756-KIDS

MOVING?

At this time of year it helps us plan for the fall school opening if we know which of our students are moving. If you are planning to move, would you please call 253.931.4966 or email jalexander@auburn.wednet.edu prior to the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year. Also, if you know of new people in your neighborhood, would you please encourage them to come to our Registrar Office and enroll their children for next year? Thank you for helping out.







OLYMPIC COUGAR ATHLETICS

Athletic Physicals. Athletic physicals may be good for two consecutive years. If you are an incoming 6th grader, you must get a physical after July 1, 2018 to participate in Olympic Middle School athletics.

All athletes participating in sports during the 2018-2019 school year must complete the Online Athletic Packet and purchase ASB before turning out for the first practice of the season.

Athletic Progress Reports. Academics and behavior are important responsibilities of all athletes. In order to be eligible to participate, each week athletes need to have all teachers evaluate their schoolwork and behavior as either satisfactory or unsatisfactory. The Athletic Progress Report should be submitted to the coach each week. It is the student's responsibility to do this during class time.

Football practices will start this year on Monday August 27.

Regular practices will be held every day after school from 2:30—4:30. Players must be on the field, dressed and ready to practice by 2:30 or they are considered late. Come prepared in sports attire (shorts, t-shirt, positive attitude). Cleats must be molded (not

screwed-in). Tennis shoes are ok the first week. Bring a water bottle.

Fast pitch. We hope that you are planning to join the fast pitch softball team this fall at Olympic. It is a season with a lot of fun and excitement.

The first practice will be held

Monday, August 27 from 2:30-4:15. We will practice these same times on August 30 and 31st and then resume practice the first day of school.

Please call the Olympic Middle School Office at 253.931.4966, for more information.

Regular practices are <u>every day right after</u> <u>school for both 7th & 8th grade</u> You will go into the locker room and change after school and then report to your coach out on the field. Please bring a mitt and a water bottle with you and be prepared for practice the first day.

6th grade girls' basketball season begins Sept. 6, 2018. There will be practices five days a week. Players should have shorts, t-shirts, and basketball shoes. Players should be picked up promptly from practices by the gym in the west parking lot. A practice schedule will be sent home as soon as it is available. Game schedules will follow once the number of teams is established. Each team will play games with other schools with the Auburn School District. There will be a no-cut policy for the 6th grade basketball team.

6th Grade Boys Basketball will begin on October 1, 2018.

Athletics— All students interested in playing sports can log into Skyward and complete the Online Athletic Packet. This must be done by both the student (on their student access) and the Family #1 parent (on their parent access). This paperwork cannot be printed and turned in — it must be done on-line. The actual physical form should be turned into the ASB Office prior to the start of the sports season.

STUDENT I	NSURANCE

The Auburn School District does not provide **medical insurance** coverage for school accidents. This means parents are responsible for medical bills if a student is hurt during school activities. The district does provide information about a student accident health insurance plan, although this plan is not recommended over any other plan, as many options are available. The plan is made available to parents for their consideration.

A student accident health insurance plan is an excellent idea for those students with no other insurance, as the plan provides help when injuries happen. The student health care plan covers illness as well as injury, 24 hours a day. If a student has other health coverage, student insurance may also be used to help pay for those eligible charges not covered by other insurance (i.e., deductibles and co-payments). If one has any questions regarding the plan, please call the company on the telephone number listed on their brochure.

SEASON #1	
Aug. 27-Oct. 27, 2018	Football & Girls' Fast pitch
	(7 th and 8 th grade)
Sept. 6—Sept. 28 2018	Girls' Basketball (6 th grade)
Oct. 1—Oct. 26, 2018	Boys' Basketball (6 th grade)

ASB CARD

What is an ASB card and what benefits does it provide?

All students at Olympic will receive an ID card. The photograph that is taken on Picture Day will be mounted on this card. If your child plans to participate in our after school athletic program, band, or orchestra, or clubs they will be required to purchase an ASB sticker for their card. This changes the ID card to an ASB card. This ID card will also be needed for your child to use the Internet at school. The money from the sale of ASB cards goes to help support activities for our students. Students presenting an ASB card at school events normally pay a lower ticket price. Please encourage your child to keep their ASB card in a safe place. There is a charge for replacement cards and time is needed to process it.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Backpacks and Lockers - Backpacks are not to be taken to classes. If a student chooses to bring a backpack to school, it is to be kept in their locker. Please remind your child to use their locker. The primary reason for this is that backpacks have become safety hazards, blocking aisles and paths of movement. In addition, backpacks hinder organization and they offer increased opportunities for prohibited and disruptive items to be brought to class. All students are provided lockers for keeping their supplies. Teachers will assist students in organizing their materials and time so that they can be prepared for class without the use of a backpack. When purchasing your backpack please keep in mind that rolling backpacks and oversized bags do not fit in our lockers.

Clothing Requirements for Physical Education - Olympic Middle School requires all students enrolled in PE to bring PE clothes. Backpacks are not allowed in the locker room. Students may carry PE clothes in a plastic bag.

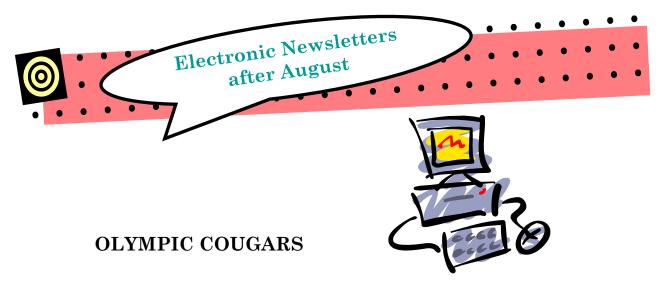


BAND & ORCHESTRA

Students will <u>not</u> need their instruments the first 3 days of school, since we will be going over class procedures and handing out materials.

5th Grade Band/Orchestra will be Tuesday-Friday this year.

Drawstring book bags will be available for students to purchase, price to be determined. These will be allowed in class in lieu of



Olympic Middle School will be sending their Newsletters through email this year. Please make sure your email

account is current and up to date with us. You may add or edit your email address by calling the attendance office or through Family Access:

http://www.auburn.wednet.edu/

Auburn School District No. 408

Olympic Middle School 1825 K Street Southeast Auburn, Washington 98002-6914 Jason Hill, Principal Ali Forsyth, Assistant Principal

(253) 931-4966

Summer 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Washington State compulsory attendance law (RCW 28A.225) and Auburn School District policy require parents/guardians to ensure students between the ages of six (eight years of age if the student has not yet attended public schools) and seventeen attend school every day that school is in session. The following outlines procedures followed by the Auburn School District:

One unexcused absence during any month of the school year: The school will inform you (and/or your student) of the unexcused absence (usually by telephone, but notification may also be in writing).

Two unexcused absences during any month of the school year: A conference will be scheduled with you and your student to discuss the cause of the unexcused absences and find solutions to prevent further absences. The district considers student attendance a team effort. (If a regularly scheduled parent/teacher conference will occur within 30 days of the second unexcused absence, the district may schedule the required conference on that day.)

Five unexcused absences within a 30-day period: The school must enter into a written truancy agreement/ contract with the family, where the parent/guardian, student and school agree on the necessary steps to resolve the student's attendance problem.

Seven unexcused absences in a month or ten unexcused absences in a given school year: Washington State statutes permit the following actions to be taken by a school district:

The district and/or parent/guardian shall petition (Becca petition) the juvenile court to order the student to attend school.

If this court order is violated, the court will call for a Contempt Hearing. At that hearing, the court may impose sanctions on the student, which may include writing an essay, community service, work crew, electronic home monitoring and/or juvenile detention.

The court is also authorized to fine parent/guardian not more than \$25 for each day of unexcused absence from school.

Legislative changes in the compulsory attendance law regulate the manner in which school districts work with parents/ guardians regarding students' unexcused absences. The school district's general rules, procedures and regulations related to student attendance remain unchanged. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions. Please turn to the back of this letter for suggestions on preventing truancy.

Sincerely,

Jason Hill, Principal

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Verano del 2016

Estimado Padre de Familia

La Ley de Asistencia Obligatoria del Estado de Washington (RCW 28A.225) y la póliza del Distrito Escolar de Auburn requiere que los padres/guardianes aseguren que los estudiantes, entre las edades de seis (ocho años de edad si el estudiante aun no ha asistido a las escuelas publicas) y dieciocho años, asistan a la escuela cada día que la escuela está en sesión. Lo siguiente establece los procedimientos usados en el Distrito Escolar de Auburn.

- **Una falta sin justificación -**Si su estudiante tiene una falta sin justificación en cualquier mes durante el año escolar, la escuela le informara (y/o el/la joven) de la ausencia sin justificación ya sea por escrito o teléfono.
- Dos faltas sin justificación en cualquier mes del año escolar- Se programara una cita con usted y su hijo(a) después de que dos ausencias sin justificación que se registren en el mismo mes en el año actual escolar. (Se programará una cita regularmente dentro de los 30 días después de la segunda ausencia, no justificada, con el padre y maestro, el distrito programara la conferencia en ese mismo día.)
- Después de cinco faltas sin justificación La escuela del estudiante hará un contrato o acuerdo con la familia del alumno, los padres o guardianes, y el alumno, la cual entrara en efecto después de que se registren 5 faltas sin justificar para su hijo(a). Este acuerdo o contrato tendrá varios pasos que se tendrán que llevar a cabo para resolver el problema de ausencias.
- Después de siete o diez ausencias sin justificación en un año escolar El Estado de Washington establece las siguientes acciones que deben ser seguidas por el distrito escolar después de 5 faltas sin justificar en un mes o 10 faltas sin justificación en un año escolar:
 - El distrito y/o los padres o guardianes deberán hacer una petición (petición Becca) con la corte juvenil para que tome jurisdicción con el propósito de un alegato de violación de la ley obligatoria de asistencia.
 - Si la orden de la corte se fuera quebrar por la familia o el alumno, la corte tendrá una audiencia. La corte está autorizada para ordenar al estudiante a ser castigado con los castigos siguientes; escribir un papel sustantivo, horas de servicio comunitario, participación en un programa de trabajo laboral, o monitorización electrónica en casa, u ser internado en una detención para jóvenes.
 - La Corte también esta autorizada a imponer una multa a los padres/guardianes del estudiante de no más de \$25 por cada día de ausencia sin justificación de la escuela u ordenar a los padres/guardianes a proporcionar servicio comunitario en la escuela del estudiante.

Los cambios legislativos que se han hecho con respecto a la asistencia obligatoria escolar solamente regula la forma en la cual los distritos escolares trabajan con los padres en relación con las faltas sin justificación de los estudiantes. Las reglas generales, procedimientos, y regulaciones en relación a la asistencia de los estudiantes no han cambiado. Por favor, contactarme si tiene alguna pregunta.

Sinceramente,

Jason Hill, Principal