

Tavelli Elementary School 1118 Miramont Drive Ft. Collins, Colorado 80524 (970)488-6725

July 2024

Dear Tavelli Families,

Welcome Back! I hope you enjoyed a summer filled with fun and exciting memories.

As we are finalizing our class lists, we need your help. If your plans have changed and you will not be attending Tavelli, please either call our office (970) 488-6725 or email chendric@psdschools.org or Lforeman@psdschools.org to let us know by Wednesday, July 24th. We know people's plans change and if something changes after this date, please let us know. If you know of friends or neighbors that need to register, we are back in the office to help.

We are thrilled to have our Tavelli Tigers back for a school year of learning and growing. The first day of school for grades 1-5 will be August 15, 2024. Kindergarten students' first day will be Monday, August 19th. Just a reminder we have new arrival and dismissal times. Our first bell will ring at 8:20 with the start of school beginning at 8:25 and dismissal will be at 3:03.

As we return, I know many of you have questions about the beginning of the school year. Below are valuable information and updates. Please watch your emails as we will be sending updates and communications from our teachers and myself.

What we need from parents/guardians this school year:

- Please do not send your child to school if they have any symptoms of illness. If your child has any symptoms or is ill, we will send them home immediately.
- Make sure your contact information, emergency contacts, health concerns or legal paperwork are on file in the office. You can check ParentVue and make any changes needed there.
- For Security reasons all visitors are REQUIRED to check in at the office and get a visitors' badge. Our campus will be supervised from 8:10-3:15. To keep everyone safe we all must work together. If you see something, please let the office know immediately.
- If you visit/volunteer or plan to stay longer than drop off, pick up, you MUST check in at the Office. Our staff will ask to see your badge and escort you to the office to help you check in. This is safety practice for your children.

<u>Classrooms for beginning of the school year</u>

- Classroom outside doors will **not be open or propped open**.
- Do not go to the classroom directly to get your child or talk to the teacher during the school day. You need to check with the office.
- Our classrooms will become hot. Please dress your children appropriately for the hot weather.
- Make sure your child comes to school with a filled water bottle each day. Hydration is very important.
- Teachers and staff do an excellent job helping to keep the students feeling safe and comfortable.

Student Placement Notifications and Meet and Greet:

- Student Placement Notification emails and calls will be sent to parents on August 9, 2024 by 4:00 PM. Teachers will be sending a call out and email with back-to-school information about their classroom. This information will also be on their learning pages.
- Meet and Greet August 14th from 2:00-3:00 for grades 1-5. This event is for all our students
 to meet their teachers and drop off their supplies. Please use the outside classroom doors.
 Kona Ice will be available for purchase after your student drops off their supplies. Please
 stay with your child as teachers will be busy greeting families. We will not have supervision
 on the playground.
- Kindergarten Meet and Greet will be on August 16th from 1:30-2:30. The first day for Kindergarteners will be August 19th. A Boohoo/Yahoo gathering will be held for parents after drop off.

Back to School Night:

Back to School Night is on August 22nd from 4:30-6:30. We will have two 30-minute sign-ups for each classroom. In the teacher back-to-school email there will be a Signup Genius link to select your time. Parents will enter the outside classroom doors. Fifth Grade will be holding their ECO parent meeting beginning at 6:00.

Arrival and Dismissal:

Morning Drop off

Breakfast starts at 7:55 Supervision on playground 8:05 School starts at 8:25 (first bell at 8:20)

- If you arrive at school after 8:25 please bring your child to the main entrance/office door. We do not want students outside classroom doors or on the playground once our staff returns to the building to start classes.
- All buses will use the designated bus lane in the front of the building.
- We still have 4 buses for Tavelli. Therefore, there will be many cars picking students up in the back loop.

- When you arrive at school, continue to pull forward and stay close to the cones and curbs to allow more distance in the thru lane in the back loop.
- Drive slowly and use caution in our loading and unloading areas. Please watch for other cars, students, and staff.
- We will **not** be loading or unloading students on the driver's side of the car. This is dangerous and unsafe due to approaching cars. Please have your child ready to unload on the passenger side. The safety of our students and staff is our top priority.
- Remain in your cars, this will help make drop off quicker.
- Please do not drop off before 8:05. Students go directly to breakfast or the playground. Staff will be on outside duty beginning at 8:05. Breakfast starts at 7:55. If you are driving students to school for breakfast at 7:55, please drop them off in front of the building to access the cafeteria door.
- Please be patient as we will have many cars dropping off students.
- There WILL NOT be a crossing guard on Greenmont. We ask that you drive slowly on our neighborhood streets and watch for children.
- Please do not park in front of our neighbors' driveways. We want to be courteous to our neighbors.

<u>Afternoon Dismissal at 3:03 PM</u>

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- Remain in your cars, this will help make drop off quicker.
- Your car visor tags need to be visible to help us with parent pick up. (We will have these available at the Meet and Greet. If you need a car visor, please contact Jane in the office after the event on Aug. 14th.)
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Tavelli Website

The Tavelli Website and our social media as these are great resources to find information about our school. The following are just a few items you can find on our website.

- Teacher Learning Pages
- Information for parents
- Calendar of events
- Newsletters and Thursday Notes

• Supply Lists

Tavelli Facebook

Tavelli Instagram

Personally, I am grateful and excited to continue this journey with you as your principal. Over the past years, I have had the chance to meet many of you and your children. I look forward to continuing to build a strong relationship with all of you in the upcoming school year. I look forward to partnering with you to ensure your child has a successful school year. As always, please feel free to reach out if you need anything. Thank you for your continued support!

All the best,

Christine Hendricks, Principal