



Connect-Ed Message 08/07/2022



Good evening, Wildcat Families, this is Principal McNeill with your weekly updates. I hope that everyone enjoyed their weekend.

As a reminder, the first day of school is next Monday, August 15th. Students can begin arriving as early as 8 am. The instructional day is from 8:20 to 3:20. We are excited about welcoming our families to open house on Thursday. 6th graders are invited to come from 5:30 to 6:30 and 7th and 8th graders are invited to come from 6:30 to 7:30. Schedules were mailed home last week. If you did not receive your student's schedule, please contact the school to check the address we have on file.

On Tuesday, parents and students can log into PowerSchool to find transportation information. If your student does not have their PowerSchool information, transportation information will be available during open house.

Teachers will provide supply list during open house. Until then, you may want to pick up 4 spiral notebooks, a 3-ring binder, loose leaf paper, pencils, pens, and highlighters.

As you begin back to school clothes shopping, I would like to bring to your attention Eastern's dress code: shorts, skirts, dresses and skorts should not be higher than mid-thigh. If your student is wearing shorts or jeans with holes, we ask that the holes are no higher than mid-thigh or students should have tights or leggings underneath. Shirts should come down to your student's waist, their mid-section should not be visible. Lastly, all shoes will need to be attached to the student's foot.

If you have a 7th grader, he or she is required to get an updated Tdap and MCV vaccines. It is state law for all seventh graders to have the vaccines at the start of the school year, so please take time now to schedule an appointment with your health care provider.

If your student will be taking medicine while at school, an authorization of medicine must be completed by your health care provider.

The federal waivers that allowed districts to serve breakfast and lunch for free to all students have ended. All parents, regardless of income, are encouraged to fill out the meal benefits application, because this information is used for other purposes, including EBT benefits and Title I designations. To fill out the application, go to [www.lunchapplication.com](http://www.lunchapplication.com).

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out. Enjoy the rest of your evening.