

Dear Arlington School Family,

It is truly my honor to work at the school where you have chosen to send your child. The staff of Arlington Elementary School will often spend more waking hours with your child than those who live in your home. With that in mind, I would like to say thank you for entrusting us with your most precious asset, your child.

At Arlington Elementary, we look for ways to grow and support our students while ensuring that our students receive what they need to be prepared for life's possibilities. One way we ensure your child has the character traits and life skills needed to be successful, is through our PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports) program. This is our 8th year perfecting this program. It provides our students, staff, and families with a common language to redirect inappropriate behaviors and celebrate good choices. We will begin each new quarter reviewing STARS expectations which stands for Safe, Together, Accountable, Respectful, and Shining. Other life skills will be taught throughout the year as well. Please look for more information to come home with your child.

For those families new to our school we are proud to share some of the great things that take place at Arlington Elementary School.

- We are home to the Air Bears, a nationally recognized jump rope team,
- Our Robotics Team, Patriots' Pride, placed 3rd in the 2016-Lily Robotics Competition,
- We celebrate artists with After School Art Club,
- We celebrate musicians with After School Choir Club,
- We take part in different service projects such as, Socktober, Cookies for the Elderly, Cards for Veterans, Arlington Angels, Riley Hospital Fundraisers, Jump Rope for Heart, and more...

At Arlington Elementary School, we help our students reach their maximum potential by communicating high expectations and providing them with the tools and experiences to reach their goals. With your help, we can embrace every student from his diverse beginning and empower him to reach his optimum potential. Let's work together by:

- Communicating academic, social and physical concerns about your child.
- Encouraging your child to take his or her academic "job" seriously.
- Celebrate success and review areas where your child can improve.
- Ask questions about homework, progress and ways to support your child.
- Report suspected bully situations immediately.
- Treat each other with mutual respect. Even though we may not always agree, we are all looking out for the best interest of your child.

Thank you for entrusting us with the opportunity to work with your child! We look forward to another successful school year!

Sincerely, Melissa Morris Principal

ARLINGTON ELEMENTARY ADDITIONAL PROCEDURES

OFFICE: (317) 782-4274 ATTENDANCE: (317) 803-5236

WELCOME!

We are excited to welcome you and your child to Arlington Elementary!

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to instill in all students a passion for lifelong learning and to inspire each one to contribute as a responsible citizen to the future of our interconnected world.

PARENT CONCERNS

We strongly encourage you to reach out to your child's teacher if you have any concerns about your child socially, academically, or emotionally. Even though everyone may not always agree, we are all looking out for the best interest of your child. If you continue to have concerns please contact the principal or counselor for additional support.

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT Do not bring the following items to school:

IPods, video games, etc. These are expensive items that the school is not be responsible for replacing. If these items are brought to school, they will be given to the principal, and parents will be asked to come pick them up. Laser lights are forbidden at school or on the bus. This also applies to toys, fad cards, etc. Cell phones are not to be in class. If your child must bring one to school, it is to be kept in the child's backpack at all times. If it is in sight, it will be confiscated and held until a guardian picks it up.

PICK UP & DROP OFF PROCEDURES

Safety of our students, parents, and staff is a high priority here at Arlington. When dropping off or picking up your child from school, please help us to set an example by following the rules in place. All car riders **must** be dropped off and picked up in our car rider line near the south side of our school. Please do not allow your child to walk through cars and/or buses. You will be required to show your Arlington Car Rider Tag or ID. Please refer to the map below for car rider flow. If you are picking up your student before the end of the day, you must park in the south lot. The north lot is reserved for buses only.



INFINITE CAMPUS Midterms will no longer be printed. You must view your child's grades through Infinite Campus.

If you have not done so already, please follow the directions below to sign up for Infinite Campus. Infinite Campus is a portal for you to use between your child and school. You may check attendance, grades, missing assignments, messages from school, fees/payments made and other valuable information. If you have not received an activation key or have lost yours, please email your request to **IChelp@ftcsc.k12.in.us**. You **must** email from the email address that you have on file. If you're unsure of the email, please call the front office to verify. If you do not have internet access to do this, we have a Parent Kiosk in our front office to assist you with this task. The Kiosk is open during office hours, 8:30-4:10.

PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

The PTO of Arlington Elementary is very helpful to our school by promoting student welfare through providing educational materials as well as volunteer services.

PTO Aims and Goals:

• To promote the welfare of youth in the home, school, and community

• To bring into a closer relationship, the home and the school, so that teachers and parents may cooperate intelligently in the education of the child.

• To work toward the improvement of the educational facilities of Arlington Elementary School

Please join PTO!!! Membership is FREE; meetings are every 2nd Tuesday of the month unless otherwise noted.

PICTURES

Individual school pictures, class pictures, and spring pictures will be offered for purchase. Notices will be sent home in advance. Payment is required at the time of pictures. In the spring, yearbooks are available presale only.

LUNCHROOM PROCEDURES

Parents are welcome to come and enjoy lunch with their child. We only ask that you follow the same rules as the other students and be respectful during dismissal. You must be on the child's Infinite Campus profile and you must show a state issued picture ID. We also ask that students do not bring soda to school.