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Alexander Graham September 2018

Back to School



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From the Desk of Principal Nichols

Dear Parents:

We welcome all Graham School Parents to attend our **OPEN HOUSE** for the new school year 2018-2019 on **Wednesday, September 19, 2018** from 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Teachers will be available to meet with parents in their classrooms from 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. followed by an Annual Title 1 Informational Meeting in the auditorium for all interested parents. At this meeting, I will review and discuss the following:

- The Graham School Title 1 CIWP Design
- The Graham School Parent Involvement Budget Plan
- The Graham School Parent Involvement Policy
- The Graham School Parent Compact
- The Graham School's Itemized Title 1 School Budget
- The Graham School's Parent Involvement Budget
- The District's Parent Involvement Policy
- CPS Title 1 Parent involvement guidelines
- Information regarding our Title 1 PAC Organizational Meeting

Find us on:

Facebook at: Alexander Graham School

Instagram at: grahamschool1



It's another school year and another year to collect box tops!

Please submit any box tops you collect to your homeroom teacher.

From the Counselor:

Uniforms:

I have gently used uniform shirts and pants in my office. Feel free to stop by if you need anything. Also, I will take donations of gently used uniform shirts and pants! I would especially appreciate black sweat-pants as those are easier to fit in case of an accident, etc.

GRAHAM MUSIC PROGRAM

Music Class Supplies

List: 1 box of Tis-


GRAHAM CHOIR
Elementary Choir- 4th & 5th Grade

Mondays 2:05-2:35

Middle School Choir- 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade

Thursdays 1:50pm – 2:20pm

Guitar Club

8th Grade only

Thursdays 2:15 – 2:40

*No permission slip necessary

Graham
Orchestra

Beginning Orchestra

5th – 8th Grade First Year Members

EVERY Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday
2:45pm – 3:30pm

Advanced Orchestra

at least 1 year of experience

EVERY Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday
3:30pm – 4:15pm

Permission slips due September 28th

Orchestra begins Oct 1st

Uniform Orders are due

September 28th!



Gym shirts and Polo shirts are available for purchase. We will only be ordering shirts for those who prepay. Be sure to get your order in on time.

Order forms are available in the office.

School News

Monthly Attendance Contest

Did you know that Graham School has a monthly attendance contest? When a classroom has 100% attendance for the day they receive a letter that spells out the word of the month. The classroom at each grade level that spells the word of the month first receives a reward. The word of the month for September is WELCOME. Will your class be this month's winner?

1st Grade:

Hello first grade families! We are off to a wonderful start this school year. Students will be learning new routines and pushing themselves to do their best work this school year. I look forward to getting to know each individual student and finding ways our classroom can help them become the best student they can be! Please don't hesitate to contact me and connect on our Class Dojo page if you have not done so already! I am so excited for a great year!

2nd Grade:

Welcome to the new school year. I am looking forward to working with you as a team as we work together to help the students in room 309 achieve great educational success. This is going to be an exciting year of learning and exploring. Students should read and practice math flash cards every night. Thanks in advance for all of your cooperation and help

3rd Grade:

Welcome! We are excited to begin another fun filled school year! In the month of September, students will be reviewing the new classroom rules and procedures for third grade. Students will also be learning about building a reading community. Additionally, students will begin learning how to write a "yummy" (proper) paragraph. In math, we will be reviewing addition and subtraction, as well as challenging ourselves with larger numbers

4th/5th Grade:

Math:

Welcome back! I am so happy to have my students back in Room 308 for Math. Everyone is so excited and ready to learn! I love it! Every student has been given a Go Math book. They also need a spiral notebook and a folder specially for Math. They will also need pencils in my class. No pens. We are going to have a great year!

Social Studies:

Social Studies: Welcome families!! We are off to a wonderful start. This month we are starting with our geography skills which will help us identify and explore the five regions of the United States.

Middle School

6th Grade:

A new school year has started with new classes, new faces, and new friends! We are so grateful you are able to join Graham School! We are very excited to have your student in Sixth Grade where they learn how to become Middle Schoolers!

In Reading, students will begin with their first short story on Monday, as well as Spelling, Grammar, and Writing. In Math, the focus will be on reviewing the basics, and World Cultures will be covered in Social Studies.

Students are expected to maintain 100% attendance through the year, but if an emergency arises, please contact the office. Also, all supplies and the \$10.00 Lock Fee are due before September 14. All Sixth Grade students are required to have a physical done before October 1st; students who do not have their paperwork in prior to that date can be excluded from school.

Thank you again for sending your child to Graham; if any questions arise, please contact Mrs. Zelek or Ms. Smith.

Science:

Welcome back parents and students! We are off to another exciting school year! The 6th-8th grade students are currently working on their safety projects. Letters have been sent home regarding these projects. These include booklets and powerpoint presentations. We are looking forward to seeing these wonderful projects in the next few weeks. If you need to contact me for any reason I can be reached at kmzofkie@cps.edu.

8th Grade:

From the Counselor

High School Applications will open in a few weeks. In the meantime, don't miss out on this valuable research time! Research schools, save your favorites, and view program eligibility to be ready for applications to open on October 1st! Visit go.cps.edu to learn more!