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September, 2019 Parent Bulletin

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Principal's Corner

Dear Parents and Guardians:

We had a great turnout at our Meet and Greet. Thank you for taking the time to attend our first meeting to meet your child's teacher and to learn about classroom learning goals and expectations.

Mahalo for your continued support, encouragement and involvement. Be part of our vision, *Together, Smarter, Better, Higher*, as we work together to prepare our students to be College, Career, and Life Ready.

With warmest aloha,

Eleanor Gonsalves, Principal

Free/Reduced Meal Program Reminder

If you haven't applied for the Free/Reduced meal program, please complete and return the paper application to the school right away. Paper applications and online applications must be received and processed by School Food Service on September 17, 2019. Online applications can be done at ezmealapp.com. Do not submit a paper application if an online application is submitted. Students, who are "Direct Certification" through the State of Hawaii, do not need to reapply. Families with multiple siblings attending public schools in Hawaii, submit only ONE application per household.

The grace period of the first 30 "school days" for students who received free and reduced meals last school year ends on September 17, 2019. All students who were eligible last year must reapply for this current school year. If an application is not received and processed by September 17, 2019, your child will need to pay full price for meals effective September 18, 2019. The breakfast price is \$1.10 and lunch is \$2.50. If you have any questions, please call our office at 587-4510.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Federal Census Survey Cards

Federal Census Survey Cards will be sent home on September 4, 2019. Please fill in and have your child bring the completed card back to school on September 5, 2019. Completion and return of these cards can mean more federal funds for the state and Royal School.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Attached is the information for our upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences to be held October 21 – 28, 2019. Please take the time to complete and return with your child no later than Friday, September 6, 2019 to ensure getting your preferred date and time that fits your schedule.

Message from our Cafeteria Staff

Studies show that children who eat a healthy, well balanced breakfast before school are twice as likely to score higher in tests and assessments and helps a child concentrate better throughout the day. As our mornings can be so hectic, getting our children up and ready for school, take the extra load off and consider bringing them to school for breakfast. Our breakfast program here at Royal school will provide a nutritious meal, and students have a choice daily of cold cereal and cinnamon toast as an alternate to the main breakfast. All breakfast comes with fruit and 2 choices of milk. Parents are also welcomed to enjoy breakfast with their child. Adult breakfast tickets must be purchased at the main office, as cash is not accepted at the cashier. Breakfast opens at 7:15 a.m. and closes at 7:50 a.m. So let's all help our keiki get a great start to their day, by eating a well-balanced breakfast at school.

Regular student breakfast	\$1.10
Reduced student breakfast	\$0.30
Second student breakfast	\$2.40
Adult breakfast	\$2.40
Milk	\$0.75

Fall Picture-taking

Picture taking day is scheduled for **Thursday, Sept. 12, 2019**. Order forms will be sent home with students soon.

Better Together

Welcome back!!! I am super excited for this school year and I hope you and your children are too.

Now that we are back into our school routine I would like to remind you about the importance of coming to school on time every day. Here are a few things you can do to help your child be at school regularly and on time:

- Set an alarm to ensure you wake up on time
- Wake up and/or go to sleep earlier
- Pack up bags and choose outfits the night before
- If walking or driving, leave a few minutes earlier
- If catching the bus, start riding an earlier bus

To encourage regular attendance, throughout the year we will randomly be pulling student names to win prizes. In order for the chosen student to earn their prize they will need to be present and on time for school that day. So remember to set your **A.L.A.R.M.** so you can **A**void being **L**ate because **A**ttendance **R**eally **M**atters.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please come see me or give me a call at 587-4510. I look forward to partnering with you to help your child succeed in school and beyond.

Eric Malina, Counselor

Message from our Vice Principal

As we move towards the middle of the first quarter, we want to thank all of you for your support of our Royal Schools students! Here are just a few safety reminders:

- Thank you for your help in keeping our keiki safe in the morning! Although we understand that work schedules vary, we continue to ask that students not be left on campus prior to 7:15am, when our cafeteria opens for breakfast. All students are asked to wait in the cafeteria until the bell rings at 7:30am. When the bell rings, students whose classes are in the A building may sit quietly outside their classrooms.
- Thank you to those who wait so patiently in line for after school pickup! All students who are waiting for pick up should head to the bus shelter immediately after school. Students should be picked up in a timely manner. As stated in the August bulletin, if a student is still on campus after 3:00pm and we are unable to make contact with family, we will notify HPD and Child Services.
- I have presented a lesson for all grade levels on school rules and Chapter 19. All students should have at least a basic understanding of rules and consequences on campus. We believe that communication is essential when working with your students and will be in contact with you if and when the need arises. Please make sure your contact information is up to date in school records.

We are looking forward to amazing opportunities and growth this year! Thank you again for all that you continue to do to help keep our keiki safe and ready to learn!

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