Springfield Public Schools

Disney Elementary

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Springfield, MO 65804



Our mission is to educate for life, so that every child acquires the knowledge and skills to succeed in school and beyond.

Welcome to Kindergarten and TEAM DISNEY!!!!☺☺☺



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Dear Kindergarten Parents/Guardians:

We are excited to have your child as a 2018-2019 Disney Kindergartner! Please note the following important items for the start of the school year. Also, check our website (<u>http://disney.spsk12.org</u>) for additional information.

Kindergarten Orientation is Tuesday, August 14. It will run from 8:20 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. Teachers will provide you with important information at this meeting, and you will have the opportunity to ask questions. PTA will also be present to assist with getting you plugged in as a new member of TEAM DISNEY or with ways to continue the partnership if you already have children at Disney. If possible, please bring your child's school supplies to Orientation, so they may be placed in the classroom that morning. The supplies requested by our teachers are on the Disney web site. At Orientation, please enter through the Disney Diner Doors (the west entrance from the south parking lot).

During regular school hours, you will enter through the front doors by the picnic tables and flagpole. This door is equipped with cameras and a security buzzer entry system. Upon signing in at the office, you will receive a Visitor's Pass. Throughout the year, you may also eat with your child, from time to time, during their regularly scheduled lunchtime by signing in at the office and receiving a Disney Diner Guest lanyard. There will be a special visitor table in the Disney Diner for your use. Only you and your child may sit together (sorry, no friends can join you at this time.) Please sign out at the office when you leave. While you are VERY welcome to eat with your child, we do ask that you part at the end of lunchtime at the Disney Diner doors, (not planning to walk to class with your child), so teachers and students can return quickly to class and begin the remainder of their day's activities. In addition, we respectfully ask that you wait a week or two before coming to lunch, so that kindergartners can learn the Disney Diner routines. While at Disney, please help us enforce a positive learning dress code by dressing appropriately and removing hats in the building. We also ask that you help us support the Distict's wellness policy and not bring soda for your child to drink. Thank you for observing these and other procedures, which are for the safety and security of your children.

Breakfast and lunch prices are listed on the Springfield Public Schools' and Disney web sites. Please note this important detail regarding Free and Reduced Lunches: Children will be charged full price for lunch and/or breakfast, unless/until you receive a letter from Food Service, notifying you otherwise. You are responsible for paying for their meals until that time, and <u>it is not retroactive</u>! You can apply for this service on-line or get an application at the office. If you received a postcard from Disney PTA, your child's Student ID number was given to you. Your child will enter this number on a keypad each day when going through the food line. If you have not already done so, please help with the memorization of this number. You will want to keep the number for your future use as well, as it will be used throughout your child's school career. If you have not registered and/or received your child's ID number, please stop by the Disney office in person with identification to finalize this step.

It is <u>very important</u> that you give your child's teacher instructions regarding end-of-the-day dismissal (pick up in car line, gym pick up, bus rider, or attend PrimeTime.) Please note, there is <u>no pick up at the front office</u>. If your child will be a bus rider, you should know that our buses are color-coded. If you need bus information, please call the Springfield Public Schools' Transportation office at 523-0500, and they can assist you. If you want your child to attend PrimeTime, you *must* register them in person at either YMCA location. Call 862-7456 for more information.

I look forward to a GREAT school year with you and your child. Again, WELCOME to TEAM DISNEY!!!

Lynne Miller, Principal

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