



AMPS

Be Safe, Be Happy, Learn A Lot

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ACADEMIC ALLEY

Throughout September and the beginning of October, teachers have been and will continue to assess student's academic skills. This helps us gauge where to begin teaching and how to differentiate instruction.

RtI (Response to Intervention Services)

This month Response to Intervention services will begin. RtI is support from a specialist in an area of reading or math that is designed to improve instructional outcomes for your child. If your child qualifies, you will receive a notification. In order to place students in groups that meet their specific needs, they may be in groups with students from multiple classes. RtI is not a special education service.

DRILLS

Each year, we hold a variety of drills to ensure student safety. These drills include emergency procedures for fire, lock down, early dismissal, bus and weather. Please do not be alarmed if your child comes home and tells you they "practiced being safe". Drills allow everyone to be informed, review and improve our procedures. These are only drills. If there was a real emergency, the district would contact you via black board connect.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

As the weather gets cooler, please dress your children in layers (remember to label everything) as we try to get the students outside every day, weather permitting. Closed, rubber soled shoes are the best footwear for students. There are activities that students will not be allowed to participate in outside, or in gym, if they are wearing boots, flip flops, crocs, heels, platforms, etc...

HALLOWEEN AT AMPS

On Friday, October 31st, AMPS students are encouraged to wear their costumes to school. Weather permitting, each grade will have the opportunity to go outside together and show off their Halloween costumes. This is a student only event. To make this the happiest day possible, we ask that your child's costume complies with the following safety guidelines:

- 1) Students should be able to use the bathroom without help while dressed in their costume.
- 2) Students may only wear costumes that they can safely and easily enter and exit the bus with nothing dragging on the floor, nothing too big to fit in a seat, no blow up costumes.
- 3) No character masks, hats, crowns or make up that can impair their sight or be easily lost.
- 4) No props associated with costumes may be brought to school (weapons, wands, broomsticks, pets, etc...)
- 5) Please be sure that costumes are not scary. Some children are very sensitive.
- 6) Please remind children if they wear an action/adventure/superhero type costume that aggressive behavior is not permitted in school.

October Dates

10/5 SCHOOL CLOSED –Yom Kippur

10/10 SCHOOL CLOSED—
Columbus Day

10/20 PTO Halloween at the Farm

10/13 & 14—AMPS Picture Day (schedule and forms will be sent home by teachers)

10/21—Fire Safety Day
Miller Place & Sound Beach Fire Departments to Visit AMPS to teach Fire Prevention and Safety

10/26—AMPS Pumpkin Patch—students only

10/31—AMPS Halloween Celebration and Parade—Students Only

Miller Place Food Pantry

NCR houses a food pantry used by district families throughout the year. If you would like to make a donation, you may drop off food at the NCR security desk.

If you are in need of food assistance, please call AMPS and ask to speak with Miss Garrett or Mrs. Bologna, our Behavior Counselors.