

LEADERS and LEARNERS for LIFE

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Dear Excelsior Parents,

We have been busily getting ready for our students to return to school. We cannot wait to see them in their uniforms, ready to learn, **on Thursday**, **August 19th**. The good news is that we get to see them briefly tomorrow, August 18th at our "Back to School" event. Please take a look at our schedule and be sure to attend.



Middle School Orientation

8th Grade: 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM 7th Grade: 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM 6th Grade: 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

Elementary School Orientation 3:00 PM to 4:00 split by last name (A-K) 4:30 PM to 5:30 split by last name (L-Z)

The Tooele County Health Department has been working with schools to prepare for a new school year within Covid-19 restrictions. Excelsior will follow their guidance. For those attending school, the wearing of masks is not required but recommended. We have attached our "Covid-19 Guideline Booklet" to this newsletter. We recommend reading it to understand the specifics of Excelsior's Covid-19 plan. This excerpt from the plan is a poignant part.

"After an at-school exposure (within 3-6 feet of a positive case for more than 15 minutes), staff/students should quarantine at home for 10 days from the test date of the positive case, (or 7 days with a negative test).

Staff/student is not considered exposed in a school setting and does not need to quarantine if one of the following criteria is met:

- The case and the contact were both wearing a mask at the time of exposure.
- The contact has had a confirmed COVID-19 infection in the last 90 days.
- The contact can provide proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

The following are acceptable alternatives to quarantine for unvaccinated staff/students:

- The exposed individual wears a mask at all times while at school during their 10-day quarantine period and does not have any symptoms of COVID-19.
- The exposed individual wears a mask at all times while at school for 7 days and tests negative for COVID-19 on day 7. They cannot have any symptoms of COVID-19."

Mrs. Broadbent shares the academic protocol for elementary students that are quarantined.

"The elementary quarantine protocol will be very similar to a regular student absence. Students will need to take their math and reading books home each evening. If a student is quarantined, they will be expected to complete a reading and math assignment on a nightly basis. They will have access to



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other materials via Google Classroom. If a student does not have access to the internet or Google Classroom, they will have the opportunity to pick up any missed work upon their return. Parents are encouraged to reach out to homeroom teachers when their student is on quarantine."

Mr. Marsden shares the academic protocol for middle school students that are quarantined.

"Last year brought a level of adventure that we are glad to leave behind. We know that this year will also bring different adventures for students that may need to quarantine. We have made a few changes to our academic procedures to provide support for quarantined students:

- All teachers will use Google Classroom to provide updates on class activities and assignments. When communicating with a teacher regarding work, please email them directly.
- Monday Thursday, we will have a math tutor available to support students. The math tutor can be reached by Google Meet, from 1:30-2:30 pm. The Google Meet link will be shared with families with quarantined students."

We have set a Post World War II theme for the 2021-22 school year. Our focus is on the positive effects that this hardship brought to the United States of America as we pulled together as a nation. It is our hope that a similar unifying process will occur as our nation continues to grapple with this pandemic. Our recognition of this theme began over the summertime with an "Excelsior Cause Contest." Teachers and Instructors were invited to enter the contest. It was decided that each school would have its own Cause, which meant there would be two first-place winners. This is the big announcement! The winner for the elementary "Cause" is Mrs. Moff, and the winner for the middle school "Cause" is Mrs. Humphreys. You will see their beautiful and inspirational "Causes" hanging in each school. We offer them our congratulations on taking 1st place and a large cash prize in our "Post World War II Cause Contest." More information about our Cause contest will be shared later.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Stephanie Eccles Executive Director

P.S. Be sure to notice our flyer about the much anticipated pool party. It will be held at Deseret Peak on August 23rd from 6:00-8:00 PM. There is more good news in the flyer's details.

Calendar

August 18
Back to school event (times vary, see the website calendar)

August 19
First day of school!
A day middle school (MS)
12:30 pm early out day

August 20 B day middle school (MS) 12:30 pm early out day

August 23 8:30 am AM kindergarten orientation 12:30 pm PM kindergarten orientation 6:00 pm EA pool party

August 24
First day of kindergarten;
AM and PM attend

August 27 12:30 pm early out day AM kindergarten/A day MS

August 31 Elementary fire drill Middle school fire drill

September 3 12:30 pm early out day PM kindergarten/B day MS

September 6 NO SCHOOL {Labor Day}

September 7 Picture day

September 10 12:30 pm early out day AM kindergarten/A day MS Meals for the 2021-2022 school year will be free for ALL EA students.
This includes one drink per meal.

Extra drinks are charged at \$0.35 each.

Kindly pay any remaining negative balances.

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As part of the Utah State Board of Education's Standards
Review Process, USBE staff administer a survey annually to
collect feedback on our current core standards. USBE is
seeking feedback from educators, parents, students,
community leaders, etc.

https://usbe.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3UJ9zUAYt9ZjE0u

With the ongoing pandemic, it is VERY important we have your current cell phone and email address in Compass. Please call the front office to update your information.

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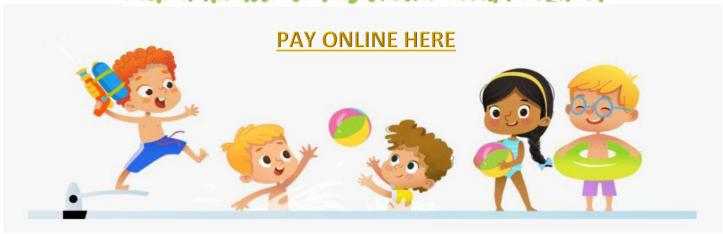
Date: August 23Rd

time: 6-8 PM



Where: Desert Peak Swimming Pool 2930 West Highway 112 tooele, Utah

Admittance \$5 Per Person-<u>includes</u>- Pizza, Dessert and a Drink cash at the door or Pay online-receipt required



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Elementary Suggested Supply List

Crayola Crayons 24 count (Crayola is a teacher's favorite!)

Pencils (Ticonderoga brand is a teacher's favorite!)

Erasers (Wedge or pencil cap)

Black Dry Erase Markers Fine Tip

Glue Sticks

Clorox Wipes

Hand Sanitizer

Kleenex

Card Stock Paper

Copy Paper

Prizes for treasure box

Treats (Skittles, Swedish Fish, M&M's, Variety Pack, etc.)

Snacks (Goldfish, Pretzels, Cereal, animal crackers, etc.)

"NOTICE: THE ITEMS ON THIS LIST WILL BE USED DURING THE REGULAR SCHOOL DAY. THEY MAY BE BROUGHT FROM HOME ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, OTHERWISE, THEY WILL BE FURNISHED BY THE SCHOOL."





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Suggested Middle School Supply List

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Red pens

■ Blue or Black pens

☐ Erasers (whatever type the student prefers)

□ Highlighter

2 pkgs college ruled filler paper

□ Glue sticks

Ruler with centimeters and inches

Protractor, or a protractor with a ruler instead of both protractor and ruler

OPTIONAL:

☐ TI-30 calculator

☐ Compass (type of Compass doesn't matter)

OTHER ITEMS NEEDED IN the CLASSROOM

Disinfectant wipes

■ Boxes of tissue/Kleenex

■ Expo dry erase markers

Notice: The items on this list will be used during the regular school day. They may be brought from home on a voluntary basis, otherwise, they will be furnished by the school.