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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Fall is a bustling time of year with the change of seasons, the many holidays on the horizon, and the numerous school events planned for our students and families! The information included in this letter should help you and your child plan for the annual Halloween Parade scheduled for Tuesday, October 31st.

Costume Guidelines:

- Students should come dressed to school in regular clothing. Students will be permitted to put on a costume to display during the parades after lunch.
- Please send your child in with a costume that can be put on OVER their clothing or one that requires only subtle additions to what your child is wearing. Wardrobe changes that require 1:1 assistance will be difficult for teachers to manage with a full class of costumes.
- Please avoid scary costumes and face painting. Masks and any effects (swords, blood, light sabers) should be kept at home.
- Spray hair coloring is permissible, but should be done at home prior to coming to school.

Parade Schedule and Route:

- Parades will begin at 1:30 with 2nd grade, followed by 1st grade at 1:45, and Kindergarten at 2:00.
- Each grade level will parade around the circle in the front of the building a couple of times and then return to their classrooms.
- If you are coming to watch the parade, please park along Ralph Ave. being careful not to park at the entrance or exit of the circle.
- We will be suspending early sign out of students between 1:30 and 2:15 to allow for all staff to participate in the parade and to position throughout the building for a safe and organized dismissal.
- If you intend to pick up your child early from school for an appointment, please make arrangements to do so *before the parades begin at 1:30 p.m.*

Dismissal Logistics:

We know that families have historically signed their children out from school following the parade. If you intend to take your child after the parade, *please send a note to your child's teacher.* Additionally, the following guidelines will help us ensure a safe and orderly dismissal of each student:

- All students will return to the building after the parade.
- All parents and spectators will wait outside.
- Once the parade is over, students will be dismissed by their teachers from the building in Grade Level areas:
 - **Grade 2:** The fenced area nearest Ralph Ave. on the NW side of the building
 - **Grade 1:** Out the Main Entrance in front of the building.
 - **K:** From the Kindergarten classroom doors.
- Parents bringing their children home from the parade will be expected to go to the designated grade level area and then sign their child out with their classroom teacher.
- Please send only ONE AUTHORIZED adult to pick up your child at the designated location to facilitate an efficient dismissal for every class.
- At the conclusion of the parade dismissal, school doors will be closed to reset for our regular dismissal process.

If you have any questions about the information included, please contact your child's teacher or the Main Office at (631) 893-7960.

Sincerely,

Mr. Travis Davey
Principal