

# COLLEGE HILL COUGAR NEWS



October 2020

## Patterson's Post

Fall is here and it is beautiful. School is well on its way. Students are working hard, there is a lot of catching up to do. We have a few new staff members: Amber Reinke, kindergarten; Emma Keller, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade; Kathy Mages, 4<sup>th</sup> grade; Erin Murray, mixed abilities; Lisa West, the second music teacher; Holly Taylor, Speech; and new paraprofessionals – Andria Ginyard, Tatiana Warren and Makayla Dunagan. We are glad to have all of you at College Hill.

Thank you for following all of our new procedures. We just want to keep everyone safe. Do remember to send your children with face masks. We are keeping track of what children seem to forget often. At some point we will have no more masks and parents will be called to bring up a mask or pick up their child.

Parents with students learning from home, you should have a dedicated learning space for your children with all of their supplies. I visit classrooms, virtually, daily. You'd be surprised at how often a teacher has to wait for a child to get pencil and paper.

If these couple of things start to improve we will be rocking with learning, face to face and virtually. This learning plan can and is working. Keep up the intensity and support, we can all do this together.

Good attendance is very important to your child's academic success. School hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:10 p.m. Please make sure your child is in his/her classroom at 9:00 a.m. every morning. If they are not in the classroom, they are tardy. Also, our students are very busy working until the time of dismissal so please limit the amount of times you pull them out early. Unless they are sick, please help your child to be at school on time, be here all day and be successful!

### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

**Wednesday, October 21**

**Thursday, October 22**

**Friday, October 23**

**Dismissal at 1:00**

Please let your child know about any dismissal arrangements before school. We want to keep classroom disruptions to a minimum.

**Don't forget to use the  
College Hill website!**

<https://www.usd259.org/collegehill>

College Hill Elementary Mission: The mission of College Hill Elementary School is to foster an environment of active, motivated learners who will have a positive impact on their community.

College Hill Elementary Vision: Our vision is to provide a safe and loving school that is highly regarded for its academic excellence, and for its contribution in actively serving and enriching the community in which it operates.

## Medication at School

In order for medication to be given at school, we must adhere to the following guidelines:

**NON PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION (OVER THE COUNTER):** This includes cough drops, Tylenol, cold tablets, Ibuprofen, cough syrup, skin creams and ointments, etc. The **parent's and doctor's signature and the original bottle** providing current and accurate information is required.

**SHORT TERM PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION:** This includes **medication that will be given for less than two weeks** such as antibiotics. The **parent's signature and bottle with a pharmacy label** with current and accurate information is required. The physician's signature is optional.

**LONG TERM MEDICATION:** This includes medication that will be given for more than two weeks such as asthma medications, seizure medication, ADHD medication, etc. The **parent's signature and bottle or box with a pharmacy label** with current and accurate information, and a **doctor's signature is required.**

The Request to Administer Medication at School forms may be obtained from the office or from the nurse. Ask the pharmacist to provide 2 bottles with the prescription label: one for home and one for school. Medication requests may be faxed to the school at 973-9610. **IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL NURSE BEFORE SENDING THE MEDICATION TO SCHOOL.**

## Immunization Exclusion Day is October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Students that do not have one of the following documents on file with the school nurse prior to October 15<sup>th</sup>, will be excluded from attending school and participating in extra-curricular activities in person.

- *Up to date immunization records (shot records)*
- *Scheduled plan to give shots needed – signed by the healthcare provider*
- *Signed Medical or Religious Exemption according to the provisions of law*

Parents are being called, emailed and letters being sent with your student or mailed of the immunizations that your student is missing. If you have questions, please call the school nurse.

### Important Dates to Remember

October 21-23—Parent/Teacher Conferences  
1:00 Dismissal

November 1—Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 6—No School . . . Nonteaching Duty Day

November 11—No School . . . Veteran's Day Holiday

November 25—No School . . . Conference Release Day

November 26-27—No School . . . Fall Recess

December 21-January 1—No School . . . Winter Recess

January 18—No School . . . Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 22—No School . . . Nonteaching Duty Day



### SCHOOL HOURS 9:00-4:10

*Students are allowed in the building at 8:50.*

*We all want our children to grow up to be responsible adults. A great way to teach this responsibility is to start having our students be at school for the full day, every day, unless they are ill.*