



Dear Dietz K-8 Parent Community,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. As the new school year approaches, I wanted to take a moment to extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to each and every one of you. Whether you are returning to our school or joining us for the first time, we are thrilled to have you as part of our awesome community.

At Dietz K-8, we firmly believe that education is a collaborative effort that involves students, parents, teachers, and the entire community. Together, we can create a nurturing and inspiring environment that empowers our students to reach their full potential and achieve academic excellence.

Our dedicated team of educators is committed to providing a well-rounded education that goes beyond the classroom walls. We strive to foster a respectful learning environment, encourage critical thinking, and instill values of respect, kindness, and empathy in our students. With a focus on personalized learning and innovative teaching methods, we aim to equip our students with the skills and knowledge necessary for success in the real world and beyond their Dietz experience.

Communication and partnership with parents are essential to creating a successful educational experience for our students. We encourage you to actively engage with our school community by attending parent-teacher meetings, participating in school events and activities, and staying informed about your child's progress. We value your input and believe that by working together, we can provide the best possible support and guidance to our students.

In the coming weeks, we will be hosting a series of orientation sessions and welcome events to help familiarize you with our school, its policies, and the resources available to you and your child. We encourage you to join us and take advantage of these opportunities to meet our staff, ask questions, and connect with other parents. In the meantime, please review some of our schoolwide expectations to support success at Dietz K-8:

- School start time: 7:40 a.m. for ALL students.
- K-5 students: dismiss at 1:55 p.m. on Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri.
- 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> is dismissed at 2:45 p.m. on Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri.
- **Wednesday: K-5 are dismissed at 12:55 pm and 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> dismissed at 1:45 pm**
- **Meet and Greet your teacher 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm on 8/2/23**
- All students at Dietz have the opportunity to receive free breakfast and lunch every day. There is no need to fill out applications.
- **K-8 grade students are NOT allowed to wear any hooded sweaters inside the classroom and building.**
- **NO CROCS are allowed on school grounds.**

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- Cell phones: Students are not permitted to keep cell phones on their person once they come to school. They can turn it into the office or place it in a pouch in their backpack.
- Drinks: Students can only bring water to school or a small juice with lunch. No soft drinks, energy drinks, coffee, Gatorades etc. in the morning or during classes
- Late pick-ups: Parents, I understand emergencies occur. If you will be late picking up your student(s) call the front office at 731-4000. We are here to help, let's work together to support each other!

As we embark on this new academic year, I want to assure you that the safety and well-being of our students are of utmost importance. We have implemented comprehensive health and safety measures to create a secure learning environment that adheres to the guidelines set by local health authorities. Our dedicated staff will continue to monitor and adapt these protocols to ensure the continued safety of everyone in our school community.

Once again, welcome to Dietz K-8 School, home of the Dragons!

Sincerely,

*Jesus Vasquez*

Principal