



From The Principal's Desk

August 22nd, 2023

Dear Espirito Santo School family,

It is almost that time! I hope and pray that you are able to enjoy this final week of summer vacation. In case you didn't receive my email in July, I wanted to take this opportunity to welcome back our returning students, and welcome our new families joining us this year. Collectively, greetings to our Espirito Santo School family! ☺

For our new families, this is my "*From the Principal's Desk*" memo. During the school year, I will be sending these on a weekly basis via email and text message. Be sure to review it on a weekly basis, to stay up to date on news from the school. If you ever have a question or concern, please reach out to me via email at ARaposo@es.dfrcs.org.

As we prepare to begin the new school year, here are some announcements:

Important Dates Coming Up:

- **Pre-School/Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten Open House: This Thursday @ 6:00pm:**
 - For our PS/PK & K families, please come to the school to meet your classroom teachers, and learn the procedures for drop-off/pickup.
- **Drop off your School Supplies: August 24th @ 6:00pm & August 27th @ 1pm:**
 - All families are strongly encouraged to drop off the student school supplies ahead of time, to make the 1st day of school as seamless as possible. Please be sure to label your students items, so they go to the correct classroom.
- **1st Day of School: August 29th (1/2 Day of School):**
 - School begins on Tuesday, August 29th. The 1st day of school will be a ½ day. Dismissal is at 11:20am for Grades K-3, at 11:30am for Grades 4-8, and begins at 11:00am for PS & PK. Lunch will not be served on the 1st day of school. The rest of the week will be full days of school.
- **Open Parent Night: September 5th @ 6:00pm:**
 - This is our open parent night for the remainder of the building (Grades 1-8). Please come visit with your student's classroom teachers.

Lunch Program: I am pleased to share that Espirito Santo School will be joining the Fall River Public School Nutrition program. This means that breakfast and lunch will be made available **free** to our students. A menu will be sent to the school from FRPS, and then will be forwarded to parents. Each morning, we will take a count of students who need hot lunch, and will notify FRPS. More information will be available shortly.

Welcome to Ms. Raposo: I am proud to announce that Ms. Jacqueline Raposo has joined our school team! She is now the 1st grade teacher. Ms. Raposo is an alumni of Espirito Santo School, and Bishop Connolly High School. She also graduated from Rhode Island College. To our 1st grade parents, she can be contacted at jraposo@es.dfrcs.org.



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Documents to Be Returned: On the 1st day of school, your student will receive some documentation that will need to be signed and returned. Please be sure to return them to the school by the 2nd day of school. This is very important that we receive these documents in a timely manner.

Tuition Statements: Tuition payments are due at the beginning of each month, per the tuition agreements that were mailed to you. You can mail your payment to the school. You can also schedule your payments with bill pay through your banking partner, where they will be mailed to the school on your behalf.

Uniforms: In addition to Donnelly's Clothing, we are working with another vendor that will help supply our polo uniform shirts & gym clothing. Advanced Embroidery is located in New Bedford. You can see the listing here: <http://www.espiritosantoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/Advanced-Embroidery-Ordering-List.pdf> Please begin to prepare for the school year, as delays are likely due to supply chain issues.

Please note that uniforms are only allowed from Donnelly's & Advanced Embroidery. Custom made items are not permitted.

School Calendar: You can find the draft calendar for the 2023-2024 school year here: <http://www.espiritosantoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2023-24-Espirito-Santo-School-Draft-Calendar-Revised-7.2023.pdf>

Summer Assignments & Supply Lists: Please see the links below for summer assignments/supply lists. *Please note that returning students have already received these at the end of last school year.*

Grade	Supply List	Summer Assignment(s)
PS	Grade PS Supply List	n/a
PK	Grade PK Supply List	n/a
K	Grade K Supply List	Math & ELA (Sight Words)
1	Grade 1 Supply List	Math & ELA
2	Grade 2 Supply List	Math & ELA
3	Grade 3 Supply List	Math & ELA
4	Grade 4 Supply List	Math & ELA
5	Grade 5 Supply List	Math & ELA
6	Grade 6 Supply List	Math & ELA
7	Grade 7 Supply List	Math & ELA
8	Grade 8 Supply List	Math (New / Returning / AlgI) ELA

CORIs: If you are a new parent, or a returning parent who would like to volunteer for field trips this year, you must complete the CORI process, along with the Safe Environment Training. Please see the links below. You may complete these forms, and forward them to the school office.

- [CORI Form \(updated 5/2023\)](#) (Please provide front/back copy of License/ID/Passport)
- [Code of Conduct](#)
- [Safe Environment Training](#) (Please provide copies of both certificates, which include Safe Environment Training and 51a Training)