

North Stonington Public Schools

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Our Goals: Safe, Valued, Sense of Belonging - Innovative Instruction - Efficient and Transparent Processes

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Dear North Stonington Schools Families,

Summer is ending soon, but I hope you are looking forward to the beginning of the new school year. This letter provides some important information to help you get ready for a successful year.

Bus information is posted on our website.

Please know that school meals are **not free** this year, however, if your family qualifies and fills out the application for reduced and free lunch then meals can be free. <u>Click here for the form</u>. The price of breakfast is \$2.25, and the cost of lunch is \$3.05 for elementary school and \$3.10 for middle/high school.

We are still utilizing <u>Anonymous Alerts</u> so that students and parents can efficiently communicate important safety information. The link is under public quick links on our webpage.

There are still a few spaces in **Cub Club**, our new before and after school program. You may enroll your grade K-6 child using the link on our website.

To hear your thoughts and share some of mine on our outstanding school system, I will host **Community Chats** on the **fourth Tuesday** of the month. These events will be from **7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.** for September, November, January, March, and May, and from **3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.** for October, February, and April, and take place at the Education Center at 298 Norwich-Westerly Road, across from the schools. I look forward to speaking with anyone who can make these meetings. Of course, you can always schedule an appointment by contacting Irma Wilhelm, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, at (860) 535-2800 ext. 2310.

Please know that the first day of school, **Thursday, August 29th**, is a **half day**, with middle school/high school dismissing at 12:00 p.m., and elementary school dismissing at 1:00 p.m. The first day for PK is Tuesday, September 3rd.

We have an enthusiastic staff ready to teach your children. You may notice several new friendly faces among the staff. North Stonington Public Schools is a great place to work and learn for people of all ages.

I hope the upcoming school year brings our students and families much joy and success!

With Lion Pride, Troy C. Hopkins Superintendent of Schools