



John B. Drake Elementary School
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Friday, September 1, 2017

Dear Drake Parents & Students,

We are looking forward to an amazing year! We have so many new and exciting programs and projects that will enhance our school, provide volunteer and educational opportunities for parents, promote school pride, as well as, improve student achievement. Team Drake is on the move!

This year we want to ensure that Drake Elementary School is a place where you feel welcomed, needed and respected. We will have several opportunities for parents to volunteer and support the school. Please plan to attend the Open House on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 5:00 PM for more information about our school goals and helping your student to be successful.

Below I have listed a few upcoming events and new initiatives. Please mark your calendars, save the dates and join us as we take Drake to a new level. (The September Calendar is attached with all events.)

First Day of School

Tuesday, September 5, 2017

Start and End Times

Start Time – 9:00 AM / End Time – 4:00 PM

Early Entry – 8:45 AM

Required Forms Due by Friday, September 15, 2017

CPS Family Income Information Form

Medical Form

Emergency Form

Dental Form

Media Consent Form

\$25 School Fees Deadline

Monday, October 2, 2017

Back to School Book Bag/School Supply Assembly – Distribute School Supplies to ALL Students

Friday, September 8, 2017

Open House for ALL Students & Parents - Meet our Staff and Learn about our New Programs

Learn about LSC/PAC Goals and Parent Volunteer Opportunities

Tuesday, September 12, 2017 @ 5:00 PM - Auditorium

Student Uniform Policy

John B. Drake has a uniform policy as many other Chicago Public Schools. We ask that you ensure that your child is following the uniform policy every day.

Grades K – 5th

Navy Blue or Royal Blue Polo Shirts with Navy Bottoms (Slacks, Skirts at Knee Level, No Jeans)

Grades 6th – 8th

Royal Blue Polo Shirts with Tan Khaki Bottoms (Slacks, Skirts at Knee Level, No Jeans)

Gym Uniforms are required for P.E.

Drake Logo Gym Shirt and Gym Shorts

The following items can be purchased from the school and will have a Drake Logo:

Royal Blue Drake Uniform Shirts

Drake Gym Uniforms (includes Gold T-Shirt and Royal Blue Shorts)

In addition, orders may be placed for uniform shirts and gym uniforms daily in the Main Office and at the Open House on September 12, 2017. Additional information will be provided in the Open House flyer that will be sent home at the end of this week.

It is my goal to keep you informed and to partner with you. Therefore, you will receive monthly calendars/letters and Drake Announcements via email, phone call and text message. (Additional correspondence will be sent based upon our upcoming activities.) I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at our upcoming events. Please feel free to contact the school at 773-534-9129 should you have any questions. Don't forget to visit our website at www.drake.cps.edu.

Sincerely,

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