

July 28, 2017

Dear Skamania School families,



The beginning of the 2017-18 school year is quickly approaching! I hope everyone has been enjoying the summer. Our school staff is looking forward to a new school year filled with opportunities to learn, grow, and have fun.

We are welcoming a new administrative team in the school/district office this fall. Ralph Pruitt is the new superintendent/principal, and Erin Robinson is assuming the duties of office manager. Our classroom staff will look familiar to students and families who were here last year:

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| ❖ Kindergarten/First/Second | Emily Hopple |
| ❖ Third/Fourth | Tami Gilbert |
| ❖ Fifth/Sixth | Barbara Miller |
| ❖ Seventh/Eighth | Shelly Carlton |
| ❖ Music | Jeannette Hodapp |
| ❖ P.E./Math/Language Arts | Cherri Locke |
| ❖ Art | Donna Basham |
| ❖ Special Education | Educational Service Dist. 112 |

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT

On Tuesday, August 29, families are invited to visit school from 5:30-7:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to bring in school supplies, chat with teachers, and drop off paperwork or lunch money in the office, and visit with friends.
We are looking forward to seeing you!

GENERAL INFORMATION

School begins Wednesday, August 30 at 8:00 a.m.

The school building opens for students at 7:30 a.m., classes begin at 8:00 a.m., and school ends at 2:30 p.m. On Wednesdays (*except for the first day of school*) school is dismissed at 12:30.

SCHOOL BREAKFAST/LUNCH PROGRAM

Breakfast and lunch will be served beginning the first day of school. Menus for breakfasts and lunches are available on our website and in the school office. Menus for September will also be sent home with students after school begins.

Breakfast and Lunch Prices

Our lunch prices will increase (again!) this year to comply with a federal mandate. Meals and milk are priced as follows:

	Full Price	Reduced Price	Free
Breakfast	\$1.50	Free	Free
Lunch	\$2.65	\$0.40 4 th - 8 th gr., free K-3 rd gr.	Free
Milk (ala carte)	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50

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Breakfast and Lunch, continued...

Milk is included at no charge with school meals. Skamania School does not have a free ala carte milk program. Students eligible for free or reduced meals must purchase milk at the regular price of \$0.50 if they bring a cold lunch and want milk with their lunch.

Lunch and breakfast may be purchased by the day, or money can be deposited into a family account and used as needed.

Parents, grandparents, or other family members are welcome to have breakfast or lunch with their children. To make planning in the kitchen easier, please call the office ahead of time if you plan to come for breakfast or lunch. The price of an adult breakfast is \$3.00 and an adult lunch is \$3.25.

Free and reduced price lunch/breakfast applications and a letter to parents regarding the program will be mailed to households a few days before school begins.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Student school supply lists are enclosed with this letter. Supply lists are also available on the school's website, www.skamaniashooldistrict.org If your family needs assistance with providing supplies, please contact the school office. We have several organizations that donate school supplies for students.

IMMUNIZATIONS

Students should be up to date on their immunizations. Information is included in this mailing regarding immunizations for students entering the 6th grade. If you have any questions regarding immunizations, contact the school office, or the local health department at 427-3870.

BUS SCHEDULES

Morning bus schedules will be available by August 25th on our website and by contacting the school office. Bus route information will also be mailed to households a few days before school starts.

ADDITIONAL PARENT FORMS, PERMISSIONS, & INFORMATION

There will be an additional mailing from Skamania School a few days before school starts containing forms we need to have returned to school. This will include free & reduced lunch information and applications, student health inventories, updated emergency contact information, and internet access permission forms. Your cooperation in filling out and returning all the paperwork is greatly appreciated.

Please contact the school office whenever you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's educational experience. Our students' safety, comfort, and academic achievement are very important!

CONTACT INFORMATION

Skamania School office: 509-427-8239

Skamania School fax: 509-427-8921

Skamania School website: www.skamaniashooldistrict.org

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*Ralph Pruitt, Title IX Coordinator, Section 504/ADA Coordinator Compliance, Coordinator for 28A.640 and 28A.642 RCW
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