

Welcome back to the 2018-2019 school year at Inverness Primary School. We are very proud of our students, staff and parents for working together to create the best possible learning environment. We strive to help our students develop a positive self-image, achieve academic growth, gain critical thinking skills, become problem solvers and responsible citizens. IPS received a "C" grade from the state based on last year's test scores. We have pinpointed areas in our School Improvement Plan with which we need to improve, which I will share in next month's newsletter. We need you to be a vital part of your child's education. Please don't hesitate to call or make an appointment to see my-self or Mrs. Merchant if you have a concern or a solution. We welcome hearing from you.

We are happy to report that IPS received a new roof this summer! Our custodians worked diligently around this project and our building is sparkling and ready for our year to begin.

Our district is implementing ALICE, a new safety plan this year. You should have received a call from Mrs. Himmel, our Superintendent last week. We will be communicating more about this in the near future.

Just a few reminders:

It is critical that your child be at school all day from 8:50-3:35. Our morning show will air at 9:10, so please make sure your child is dropped off by then for them to see it.

Student Drop-Off/Pick-Up-We have approximately 200 cars that pass through the Pick-Up line at the end of the day. While students are getting accustomed to hearing their names called, it may take longer than usual. In the event of lightning or a storm, students will not be re-leased until the storm subsides. Safety of our students is our main concern, so please be patient. Also, remember you must have this year's name tag exposed in your window during parent pick-up. Each student was provided with two Parent Pick-Up tags in their Back to School Packet. To request additional tags, please stop by the front office. Students will not be dismissed inside the front office after 3:00 PM.

If you wish to change the way your child goes home, we must have that in writing. We will not take dismissal changes over the phone and we will not make changes after 1:00 PM.

I'm very excited to get this new year started! Please support our staff as we carry out this year's theme, "Choose Kind!"

Sincerely,

Kay Harper, Principal