A Few Mid-Year Reminders

• **Morning Arrival:** Staff members do not begin duty until 8:45, therefore, if students are dropped off prior to 8:45, they will be sent to the wrap around program and a cost will incur.

• **Attendance:** Please have students arrive before the start of class at 8:55. Coming in late not only starts their day off rushed, but it also disrupts the class in learning. If they do come in late, they must stop at the office to check in. Otherwise, they may remain marked as absent.
  - If your child is going to be absent, please call the attendance line before 9:00AM to report the absence. You may call at any time as this is a 24-hour answering system (685-1300 press 3). Please leave your child’s name, teacher’s name and reason for absence on the message. Please **DO NOT** leave any other types of messages on this line.
  - Classes end at 3:15 for grades K-5. Dismissing your child before this time on a regular basis also disrupts the flow of learning. We appreciate your assistance in giving our students the best learning environment possible.

• **Notes:** ALL notes that come to school should include: child’s first **AND** last name, date and teacher’s name.
  - Please send in a note with your child if: A. They are going to be dismissed early for an appointment or B. any changes of transportation for that day. Please note, that Gateway does not allow guest riders on buses. Students are only allowed to ride buses they are assigned. Any questions regarding this policy should be directed to Deb Burkott, transportation coordinator, at 685-1016.

• **Transportation:** Sending in a note is the preferred method of letting the school know if a change of transportation is occurring for the day but, if a change of transportation occurs during the day, please call the office BEFORE 2:00 PM. The office phone will not be answered between 3-3:30 PM so the office can concentrate on dismissal. You can leave a message during that time, and we will check them as we have time.

• **Phone Numbers:** Please make sure that the phone has **at least** one working contact phone number at all times.

• **Parking:** Keep in mind that Littleville has minimal parking spaces. We ask that you don’t park along the curbing where it is marked fire lane, or on Littleville Road. You can park in the high school/middle school parking lot for extended periods of time if needed.

• **Communication is the key.** You can find upcoming event and school information on the website as well as a virtual red folder. Go to [www.grsd.org](http://www.grsd.org), in the drop down menu, (top left of the screen), click on Littleville Elementary School to get to our homepage. Look on the reverse side of this paper for some important phone numbers.
Important Littleville phone numbers:

Main Phone Number: 685-1300

Press 2 for weather related cancellations/delays

Press 3 to report your child as tardy or absent

Press 4 to speak with the nurse (Nurse Sarah or Nurse Brownlee)

Press 5 to perform a last name look-up

Press 9 for wrap around (they are available between 7-8:40 and 3:30-6:00)

Press 0 to speak with the front office (the secretary is available from 8-4)

To contact the adjustment counselor, Lyzz MCCormick contact her directly at 685-1339.

To contact the Wrap Around Program call 685-1340 between 7AM-8:40AM and 3:30PM-6:00PM
LITTLEVILLE ELEMENTARY
WRAP-AROUND PROGRAM

The Wrap-Around Program will be open on Martin Luther King Day,
January 20, 2020 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Need a lunch and 2 snacks.

Cost:  
1 child $30.00
2 children $50.00
3 or more $70.00

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Please sign up your child for the days below and return to the office in
your student's red folder so we make sure we have enough coverage.

My child ____________________ will attend Wrap Around on
Martin Luther King Day January 20, 2020.

I understand I MUST provide a lunch and snacks for the day(s) my
child(ren) have signed up for.

________________________________________
(Parent/Guardian signature)
Spirit and Pride
Littleville Elementary School - School ID # 359413

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PTO FUNDRAISER INFORMATION:

All checks should be made out to Spirit and Pride and include a phone number.

The due date for the fundraiser is NO LATER than January 22.
January 6, 2020

Re: PreK busing changes

Good Day,

After reviewing the current Preschool Special Education transportation process, the district is making some changes to our policies. To minimize the impact to our current preschool families, these changes will occur over the period of the next two years as we phase out specialized transportation. You may be aware of the fact that the district has historically provided specialized transportation for all students in PreK who have an IEP. This has been a value added service to our families, as we are not required or regulated to provide transportation for all. Unfortunately the district will no longer be able to provide this service for all. Instead, the district will only be transporting students on IEPs who require specialized transportation based on need.

This change will be phased out over the next two years. Students who are presently in PreK, on an IEP and currently have transportation will continue to receive transportation for the remainder of this school year and for next school year IF the child has an additional year of PreK. If the child moves up to Kindergarten next year, transportation will be provided on a regular school bus. This will ensure all current PreK students will be grandfathered in to receive specialized transportation for their entire PreK experience. Beginning next school year any new student entering PreK will only receive transportation if they require it per their IEP.

As we undertake this change in specialized transportation, we appreciate your understanding.

Sincerely,

Kurt Garivalitis
Pupil Service Director

Megan Coburn
Elementary Principal

---District Vision Statement---
The Gateway Regional School District will provide an exemplary education that challenges all students in an instructional setting appropriate to their needs.
Kindergarten, First & Second Grade
Chester & Littleville Parents AND Kids

FREE Family Math Game Night with Mike Flynn
(former MA Teacher of the Year, college professor and GREAT presenter!)

SAVE the DATE!!!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29
5:30-6:45 pm
Chester Elementary School

- Understand what your child is doing in math!
- Play fun games!
- Enjoy light refreshments!
- Get out and see other families!

This event is supported by a grant from the Gateway Education Foundation. For more information call Chester Elementary School, 413-685-1360, contact your child’s teacher or Ms. Bresnahan, cbresnahan@grsd.org
Raising Resilient Children
Through Growth Mindset

Wednesday, January 29th, 2020
6:00pm—7:30pm
Gateway Regional Middle School
12 Littleville Rd, Huntington, MA
Food & Childcare provided

Research suggests the critical importance of growth mindset for a child's future success. In this interactive workshop, participants will be introduced to several specific strategies to help children develop a positive and strong mindset at home and at school,

Teach your children to:
- Face challenges & setbacks
- Develop “grit” and perseverance
- Learn coping skills in the face of adversity

For more information and to RSVP, email Karen Malinowski at kmalinowski@grsd.org

This interactive parent café workshop is free and open to the public

This workshop is a Gateway Regional School District sponsored event.
This workshop is also made possible through a partnership with:

Funded in part through the Coordinated Family and Community Engagement Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care through the Hilltown Community Health Centers.

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