



Welcome Back to School!

August 2007

Dear Park Brook Families,

Welcome to the 2007-2008 school year! The coming year promises to be an exciting year, as all of us in District 279 work to bring our new mission and strategic plan to life.

**Our mission is to inspire and prepare all students
with the confidence, courage and competence
to achieve their dreams;
contribute to community;
and engage in a lifetime of learning.**

Our work at Park Brook, in collaboration with families and our community, is to make sure that each of our students has the necessary skills, experiences, and personal attributes that makes achieving this mission possible. It's a huge task, but as teachers and parents, it's the best and most important work we can do!

On Thursday, August 30 from 10:00-11:30AM, we will host a "Meet Your Teacher" Open House. Students may also bring their school supplies. We hope you will be able to join us. You can come at any time during the Open House, but please be sure to plan enough time to visit your child's classroom and take care of other "start of school business" by 11:30. At 11:30, our teachers will be going into their last session of meetings & workshops to prepare for the first day of school. We want to make sure you have enough time, so please plan in advance!

As we start this new year, I truly hope Park Brook parents & guardians find ways to get involved in our school. We have opportunities for parents to make a difference for all Park Brook students through Site Council, PTO, volunteering, and more. My hope is to provide opportunities for parents to be involved in the direction of our school and feel connected to what happens here each day. Look for more information in September about ways you can play an active role at Park Brook!

Enjoy these last days of summer and I hope to see you on August 30th!

Kris Rouleau
Park Brook Principal

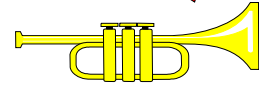


IMPORTANT SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Times:

- Please DO NOT arrive at school before 8:25 a.m.
- K-6 students will enter the building at 8:30 a.m.
- School starts at 8:40 a.m.
- School is out for all grades at 3:10 p.m.
- **Students will eat breakfast during school.**

IMPORTANT!



Absences & Tardies:

Please call the school to report that your child will be late for school or will not be coming to school. If the absence is not reported, it is **UNEXCUSED**. Please call 763-549-2408 before 8:00 a.m. or call the main office after 8:00 a.m. at 763-561-6870.



****IMPORTANT CHANGE:** When students are absent or come late to school due to an appointment, *they are required to bring a note from the doctor, dentist, etc. for this to be an excused absence or tardy.*

Breakfast & Lunch:

There is no cost for breakfast; breakfast is **FREE**. Students will eat breakfast during school hours.

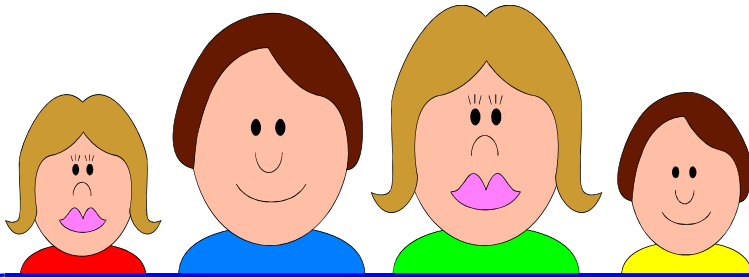
The cost of lunch is \$1.90 for a student lunch which includes milk. If a student carries cold lunch and buys milk, it will be 45¢.

The electronic lunch system works like a checking account. Parents deposit money into each student's account. When a student buys lunch, it is automatically deducted from their account. When the student's account falls below \$3.00, the child is notified. Please send money to cover a week or two of lunches. *Make checks payable to ISD #279, or Park Brook.*

Students who qualify for a free or reduced lunch use the same system but either they are not charged or pay 40¢ for the reduced lunch. Forms to apply for free or reduced meals are sent to all homes in the school district and are available at the school. **These must be filled out EVERY YEAR.**

Please return this application to school *as soon as possible*. We are glad to receive them in August. Without an approved application form, your child will be charged full price for lunch.

If you have any questions about lunch, please call (763) 561-6870 extension 117.



**OPEN HOUSE
FOR ALL PARK BROOK FAMILIES**

**AUGUST 30, 2007
10:00-11:30 a.m.**

Meet your teacher, tour the school, pay on your lunch account and bring school supplies to your classroom.

P.T.O. Meeting

**TUESDAY
AUGUST 21st**

6:00 P.M.

JOIN US!

PTO needs your support.



Interested in helping shape
Park Brook's future?
Join Site Council!
Talk to Mrs. Rouleau for more
information.

WHO IS MY TEACHER?

Children are already speculating about who their teacher will be for this year. Because so many children enroll over the summer, we feel we can do a better job of creating classes by forming them in August. **All class lists will be posted on the front doors on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29th by 12:00 noon.** Please stop by the school and check on who is in your child's class. You can also call the school on the afternoon of the 29th for the name and room number of your child's teacher.

BACK TO
Class

- "Independent School District does not discriminate on the basis of disability. If you need auxiliary aids or services in order to participate in or attend a district activity, please contact Park Brook at 561-6870/or TTY 391-7250 – 72 hours prior to the meeting time to make a request. Examples of auxiliary aids or services may include: sign language interpreter, assistive listening kit, accessible meeting location, etc.
- This document is available in alternate formats upon a 72-hour request. Please contact Park Brook at 561-6870/or TTY 391-7250 to make a request. Examples of alternate formats may include: large print, Braille, audiocassette, etc.

NO SHOTS NO SCHOOL **FREE IMMUNIZATION CLINIC**



Osseo School District is partnering with Columbia Park Medical Group to ensure that every child is up to date with their immunizations before entrance to school this fall. Immunizations will be available for children who qualify for MNVFC (MN Vaccines for Families and Children) for those of you who do not have health insurance. Staff will be available to help determine eligibility.

It's always best to be seen at your clinic by your family physician. However, if this does not work out for you, staff from the above health organizations will be available to give immunizations at:

1. Brooklyn Junior High – August 22nd 9:30-11:00 a.m. (in the nurse's office)
 2. North View Junior High – August 27th 4:30-6:30 p.m. (in the cafeteria)
- Appointments are not necessary.
 - A parent/guardian **must** accompany their child.
 - All Osseo students are welcome (elementary, Junior High and Senior High students).
 - **Bring a current immunization record.** If you don't have an immunization record, one will be available for students enrolled in school.
 - There is no direct cost or co-payment fee to the family. Private insurance will be billed if applicable. (Please bring your insurance card).
 - The "Minnesota Vaccine for Children" program will cover the cost of vaccines for those without insurance.

Questions? Call Julie Bocock, Health Services Coordinator at 763-391-7126 or the junior high schools.

Appropriate Dress for Students:

Parents, please monitor your child's choice of dress by adhering to the following guidelines:

Shirts must cover the entire midsection, have no language or illustrations that are offensive, nor have "spaghetti straps". Straps should be at least 1.5" wide.

Shorts must have a minimum of a 5-inch inseam.

Jackets and coats may not be worn during the school day.

Hats, caps, or headwear of any kind is not allowed during the school day. Contact the principal if headwear must be worn for religious reasons.

Pants must be at a length so that the student will not trip on them. Also, no undergarments should be showing.

**SCHOOL STARTS ON
SEPTEMBER 4, 2007
8:40 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.**



Park Brook Elementary

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
PERMIT NO 3
OSSEO, MN 55369

OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY

AUGUST 30, 2007

10:00-11:30 a.m.

Park Brook Elementary
7400 Hampshire Avenue North
Brooklyn Park, MN 55428

STUDENT DROP OFF/PICK UP AND VISITOR PARKING INFORMATION

Students may be dropped off in the **SOUTHWEST** parking lot. There are two drive through lanes that lead to student drop off zones and visitor parking spaces. There will be **NO STOPPING OR PARKING** in the two drive through lanes. These are fire lanes, and violators will be ticketed.

If you are **DROPPING OFF** students, you should pull into the zones on the FAR RIGHT.

If you are **PARKING** your car, you should continue on through the lot and pull into the parking spaces on your **RIGHT** as you drive through.

There are two exit lanes on to Jersey, one turning left and the other turning right.

ONLY BUSES and commercial daycare vans are permitted to use the **NORTHEAST** parking circle.

You may also drop off students at Hartkopf Park by driving into the small parking lot in the park across from the school. Patrols will be stationed there to cross students safely.

Thank you for your attention to the safety of all of our students.

Safety First!

PARK BROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

The following supplies are needed by students to start the 2007-2008 school year. **All children will need to have tennis shoes that tie or velcro (*no slip-ons*) for Physical Education. Please remember to label all items.**

KINDERGARTEN

Please label all supplies

- _____ 1 LARGE backpack
(no wheels please)
- _____ Small plastic school box
(approx. size 10 x 5 x 2)
- _____ 2 (3 prong) yellow folders
- _____ 1 spiral notebook (wide ruled)
- _____ 2 pencils (sharpened)
- _____ 1 low odor or odorless (thin) dry erase marker
- _____ 1 box kleenex (large)
- _____ tennis shoes



1st GRADE

- _____ tennis shoes
- _____ 1 LARGE backpack
(no wheels please)
- _____ 3 wide rule spiral notebooks
- _____ *1 box of 12 crayons
- _____ *10 yellow #2 pencils
- _____ *Clorox cleaning wipes
- _____ *1 large box kleenex
- _____ *community supplies – **DO NOT LABEL**

2nd GRADE

- _____ 10 pencils
- _____ 1 box crayons
- _____ 1 large rubber eraser
- _____ 1 ruler (inches and centimeter)
- _____ 1 scissors
- _____ 1 large bottle **WHITE** glue
- _____ 1 large box kleenex
- _____ school box
- _____ 2 wide line **SPIRAL** notebooks
- _____ 1 water color paints
- _____ tennis shoes
- _____ 2 pocket folders - laminated



3rd GRADE

- _____ 1 box colored pencils
- _____ 1 ink pen or fine liner
- _____ 1 box color crayons
- _____ 1 calculator
- _____ 1 ruler (inches and centimeters)
- _____ 1 scissors
- _____ 1 large bottle **WHITE** glue
- _____ 4 wide line **1-subject SPIRAL** notebooks
- _____ 4 pocket folders
- _____ 1 large box kleenex
- _____ tennis shoes
- _____ 10 #2 pencils – sharpened if possible
- _____ 1 large rubber eraser or 1 pkg. pencil top erasers
- _____ **LARGE** pencil zipper pouch
- _____ book bag

4th GRADE

- _____ 1 box colored pencils
- _____ 1 ink pen or fine line
- _____ 1 highlighter-yellow
- _____ 1 box color crayons
- _____ 1 calculator
- _____ 1 wooden ruler (inches and centimeters)
- _____ 1 scissors
- _____ 1 large bottle **WHITE** glue
- _____ 1 large glue stick
- _____ 5 wide line **1-subject SPIRAL** notebooks
- _____ 5 pocket folders
- _____ 2 large boxes kleenex
- _____ tennis shoes
- _____ 10 #2 pencils – sharpened if possible
- _____ 1 large rubber eraser
- _____ **REGULAR** sized pencil box
- _____ book bag



5th & 6th GRADE

- _____ 1 pack colored pencils or box of 24 crayons
- _____ 1 large bottle of **WHITE** glue
- _____ 1 ruler
- _____ 1 calculator
- _____ pencils & pens (replenish often)
- _____ 5 pocket folders-(1 ea. red, blue, yellow, green, 1 choice)
- _____ 5 – 1-subject **spiral** notebooks (1 ea. red, blue, green, yellow, 1 choice)
- _____ 1 highlighter
- _____ 1 scissors
- _____ tennis shoes
- _____ large pencil box or pouch
- _____ **Choose 1**: large box kleenex or lotion or liquid hand soap



Be sure to LABEL all supplies and bring them to school at open house in the fall or the first day of school.

