



GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# School Newsletter for Parents

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Dear Parents,

For the new school year it is necessary to realign two instructional schedules into one all inclusive K-8 instructional program. This is going to require a new modified, early out day from Tuesday to Friday for some students; also new dismissal times for all students. Please note the following changes for next year:

- ♥ For students in grades K-6, regular dismissal will be at 2:15 p.m. (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) and at 11:45 a.m. on Friday.
  - The 2:15 regular dismissal is a change for students in our previous K-6 ALP classrooms only (Rooms 24, 25, 34, 35, 36, and 37.)
  - The new modified day on Friday and dismissal at 11:45 is a change for students in our other K-5 classrooms (Rooms 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 28, 29 and 30.)
- ♥ For students in grades 7-8, regular dismissal will be at 2:40 p.m. (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) and at 11:55 a.m. on Friday. This is new for all 7-8 students in Rooms 26 and 27.
- ♥ School will start at the same time at 7:40 a.m. for all grades. Breakfast will continue to be served at 7:10 a.m. and all students will have the option to eat or go home after dismissal on Friday.

I apologize for such unavoidable late notice. Please take care of your family arrangements...like transportation to and from school and childcare... early so you are not caught by surprise in September.

If you have any questions or concerns my email address is noted above or you can call me after the school office reopens Thursday, August 23. Thank you for your immediate attention!

Kimberlee Kidd,  
Principal

## Bell Time Next Year:

**K-6 7:40 – 2:15 p.m. (MTWTh)**

**7-8 7:40 – 2:40 p.m. (MTWTh)**

## Friday Early Out Day (New!)

**K-6 7:40 – 11:45 a.m.**

**7-8 7:40 – 11:55 a.m.**

## **Other New Updates at Carver 2007-2008**

- Next year the district will only offer parents mixed-gender classrooms in all grades at Carver. Although single gender instruction will no longer be an educational option we continue to believe that how we teach influences how students behave and achieve in an optimal learning environment. We teach students to be respectful and courteous to each other and adults. We teach them to be a community of lifelong learners who value teaching and learning in any classroom.
  
- The goal in 2007-2008 is to offer Arabic language instruction as an optional after school program for all interested students in grades K-6. Provide speaking and reading in Arabic as part of the instructional course of study for students in 7-8 grades; also writing in Arabic as an after school option for students in 7-8 grades. This continues to be an educational opportunity for students only at Carver and until we can evolve into a fully funded Arabic Language Magnet School.
  
- During recess and lunch, students will continue to be free to play, study, talk, read, dream or pray. The choice is theirs. Teachers and staff will neither encourage nor interfere with that choice.

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