

The Silvia Spotlight

From the Principal:

The first six weeks of school is a vital part of the overall success of a school, teachers, and students when it comes to a calendar year. Silvia teachers and students have spent the last weeks learning many rituals, routines, procedures, and practices. With a strong understanding of expectations, students are able to learn at their highest level. Please find more about the first six weeks in this edition of The Spotlight.

We hope everyone has an enjoyable long weekend! We will see you all back here on Tuesday, October 12th.

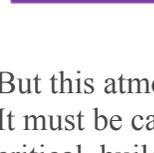


NO PARKING - Parking Lot on Side of Building by Playground:

There is NO PARKING in the parking lot on the side of the building by the playground during dismissal. With students and families exiting the building on that side we do not want traffic in that lot. Especially with people backing out and/or double parking as it makes for a very dangerous situation. That lot is for STAFF ONLY. Please use the main parking lot or park on Meridian Street and walk up to the building for pick up.

The First Six Weeks of School:

The early weeks of each new school year offer teachers distinct opportunities and challenges. It is during this time—when expectations and routines are established, rules generated, and goals articulated—that the foundation is laid for a productive and cooperative year of learning.



As teachers, we work hard to convey, from the very first day of school, the important message that we will do high-quality work in our classrooms. We also work to convey the message that we will do this high-quality work in an atmosphere of support and collaboration.

But this atmosphere does not just appear by our decree. It must be carefully constructed upon many small, but critical, building blocks, and the first six weeks of school is the time to do it.

School Start Time:

School starts at 7:40 every morning. That means we want students in their seats when the 7:40 bell rings. We open doors at 7:20 and there is minimal traffic from 7:20 through 7:35. Recently, at 7:40 the traffic has backed up causing students to be late. We will not continue to keep the door open past 7:40 and students who are not in the building at 7:40 will be marked tardy. Students are losing learning time when they arrive past 7:40 Please take traffic into consideration when getting students to school on time. Thank you!

SILVIA STARS

*Stay safe * Treat others with kindness * Always do your best * Respect yourself, others, and the school*

Automated Tardy/Absent Calls:

If your child is absent please call the school 508-675-9811 and select 4 to leave a message on our absentee line.

The district has started to send automated calls to every student who is absent or late to school. If you have already informed the school of your child's absence, there is nothing else to do. The automated calls are being placed to all students on the absentee/tardy list, even if a reason is listed. You do not need to call the school more than once.

Thank you.

Arrival Procedures:

All in all, arrival is going very well. A few reminders to help with safety and efficiency.

- **Drop off doors close at 7:40 as school starts at that time.**
- **DO NOT pull into the small parking lot to drop off students.**
- **STAY IN LINE all the way around the back parking lot. Do not cut people off.**
- **Pull all the way up to the stop sign at the very end of the building to drop off.**
- **Only students need to exit cars.**

Thank you!

Trunk O' Treat:

The Silvia School PTO invites you to join us for some TRUNK O TREAT on October 16th at the Silvia School Soccer Field Parking Lot. A flyer will follow shortly however the details are:

- 3:00 - 3:30 - Set Up
- 3:30 - 4:30 - Trunk O' Treating
- 4:30 - 5:00 - Costume Parade



The flyer will have a link for all who wish to decorate their trunks to sign up for a spot. Those decorated cars are asked to park in the front lot or driveway.

NO SCHOOL on Monday, October 11th

There is no school for students and staff on Monday, October 11th. Find our school calendar [HERE](#).

Happiness is a

**THREE DAY
WEEKEND!**

SILVIA STARS

*Stay safe * Treat others with kindness * Always do your best * Respect yourself, others, and the school*