

Chastang-Fournier K-8 School

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### **Welcome Back!**

Welcome back students and parents to the **BEST** K-8 school in Mobile County. The parent bulletin will be provided for you each month highlighting important information. Take time to read the bulletin carefully and adhere to any special dates/request it may contain. A digital copy of the bulletin will be provided on our school's website at <a href="http://chastang.mcm.schoolinsites.com">http://chastang.mcm.schoolinsites.com</a>

#### **Personnel Changes**

Please take the time to meet and welcome all of our new faculty and staff members. Each faculty and staff member is committed to making sure our students succeed!

### **SCANTRON Test Results!**

The Alabama State Department of Education has not officially released test results. Once the scores are officially released, we will present our scores to you. We know that we have work to do to improve our school status. Working together this will happen!

# **Stand Up for MCPSS**

This slogan can be seen all over the Mobile County Public School System. We want to let everyone know about the many wonderful programs that our schools have to offer. We hope you will join the employees of MCPSS by sharing the positive experiences that you are having at Chastang-Fournier! Check out the MCPSS website, and all of the banners and school signs that say, "Stand Up for MCPSS".

### **School Schedule**

7:05am- Breakfast begins, students and parents cannot enter the school before 7:05am! UNLESS they are enrolled in Before School Care.

7:25am- Breakfast doors close

7:35am- Tardy bell

7:45am- Morning announcements

2:00pm- Early dismissals end

2:20pm- Afternoon Announcements

2:25pm- Dismissal begins with van riders/aftercare

Elementary car riders Middle school bus riders Elementary bus riders

Walkers

Middle school car riders

# **Escorting Students**

The week of **August 13<sup>th</sup>- August 17<sup>th</sup>** was be the last week parents will be allowed to escort students to their classroom. We need to enable our students to get into a routine as soon as possible.

#### Medication

Medication must be distributed by our school nurse, Missy Goff. Parents must have a doctor to sign a special form of permission for students needing medication during the school day. Only parents can bring in the medication once the doctors form is complete.

### **Uniform Violations**

ALL students must be in full uniform each day. Remember that the only acceptable shoe is any color tennis shoe.

# **Lunch Applications**

All students eat free for breakfast and lunch! Lunch applications are no longer needed!

## **Lunches (Special Dietary Needs)**

The Child Nutrition Program will accommodate students with special dietary needs, i.e. diabetes, food/milk allergies, sodium restriction, blended, pureed, etc. A doctor must complete the "Diet Prescription for Meals at School" form. A new form must be submitted EVERY school year. Our cafeteria manager, Ms. Toy Hollingshead has copies of this form.

#### **Snacks/Ice Cream**

Snacks will be sold each morning from 8:10am-8:30am from the snack carts. Ice Cream will be sold on Tuesday and Thursday only. The price for snacks and ice cream is \$1.00 per item. Purchasing a snack helps us to provide needed items to assist with instruction.

### Tips for the School Year

- 1. Check your child's bookbag every day for homework, messages from the teacher, newsletters, flyers, etc.
- 2. Communicate with your child's teacher.
- 3. If your child is on medication, let the school nurse know.
- 4. Please update all home phone, cell, and emergency numbers, and let the office know of any changes.
- 5. Remember to place names in your child's jacket, bookbag, etc.
- 6. Review each day with your child how they are to get home, if there are any changes, a note must be given to the teacher. **Dismissal changes are NOT permitted over the telephone!**
- 7. Volunteer at school.
- 8. Sign in at the front desk.
- 9. Attend parent meetings and workshops.
- 10. STAY POSITIVE!

### Visitors/Volunteers

All visitors must report first to the front office. If a visitor on campus disrupts the educational environment, the visitor will be asked to leave campus. All visitors must enter through the front entrance doors. All doors will be locked at 7:50am each morning. Volunteers are welcome at Chastang-Fournier, however volunteers must work only with their child's assigned class. Volunteers are welcome on the following days, Mondays and Wednesdays for 1 hour. Volunteers are unable to grade papers or have access to any student's personal information. Volunteers are unable to use school copiers.

## **Early Dismissals**

No early dismissals will be done after 2:00pm. This allows teachers enough time to meet in small groups with students to make sure students master common core standards. Please schedule appointments earlier than 2:00pm. Emergencies do happen and will be handled on an individual basis.

### **Morning Drop Off**

Morning drop off will not start until 7:05am. Enroll your child in before school care for a fee if you need them at school earlier than 7:05am. If you are dropping your child off in the morning, you must drive through the rear carpool lanes and follow the directions of the teachers on duty. Please have your child prepared to exit the vehicle as soon as it stops. If you need to bring something to your child's class, you must park in the designated parking area and cross at the crosswalk. Parents are not permitted to drop off students at the front entrance of the school!

# **Dismissal Procedures**

If the need should arise and you need to change how your child gets home, <u>a written note or fax must be sent to your child's teacher.</u> WE WILL NOT DO CHANGES OVER THE PHONE! If the teacher does not receive a written note or fax then the child will go home the normal way.

#### Late Pickup

Teachers are off duty at 3:30pm each day. If you arrive after 3:30pm, your child will be signed into Aftercare and a \$10.00 per child fee will be charged. The fee will be collected when your child is picked up.

#### School Fee

We are collecting \$40.00 for our yearly school fee for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders. This fee allows us to purchase postage, first aid supplies, awards for students, our school folder, the Friday spirit shirt and P.E. uniform. Kindergarten- 6<sup>th</sup> grade fee is 20.00. If you have more than one child we will offer a discount. If you haven't sent in the school fee please do so as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to a successful school year!