CALUMET CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 155

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REGISTRATION FOR ALL SCHOOLS
will be held online August 3, 2020 and by appointment beginning August 4, 2020

Both new and returning students may register online by verifying, updating, or uploading the required enrollment information and then scheduling an appointment with school staff to pay fees, pick up calendars, and purchase student planners. School registration appointments will take place Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. between August 4, 2020 and August 13. To accommodate those with scheduling conflicts, enrollment appointments can also be made between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on August 10, 11, and 12. Current families will receive a letter with their own unique snapcode and steps to register.

WELCOME to the 2020-2021 School Year!
On behalf of Calumet City School District 155, we would like to welcome you back to the 2020-2021 school year. We are excited to have everyone back whether it be in-person or through online instruction! We miss our kids and families. Much planning and hard work has gone into preparing for a successful school year.

I would like to provide you with a brief summary of the work that was completed over the last school year. In this time, the District has adopted a new reading curriculum, purchased new chromebooks for 3-8th grade, and will be starting full day Kindergarten. It is important to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the teaching staff. The District's teams and committees have worked diligently to make many updates to the curriculum and have worked tirelessly to adjust to the online remote learning .

Over the 2020-2021 school year, the District will work hard to safely bring students back into the classroom. To start the year, the District will be offering a blended learning program for students in K-8th grade that will split students into alternate schedules and allow students to attend class at least twice per week. At the same time, remote learning plans will also be available for those who are not comfortable attending in-person instruction. Our hope and expectation is to bring all students back for in-person instruction as soon as possible. Pre-K students will continue to operate as a half day program. More information about our FY21 back to school plan will be available in the coming weeks.

I want to acknowledge and thank all of the teachers and support staff who have spent countless hours preparing and creating a great child-centered environment.

I would also like to extend a sincere thank you to our buildings and grounds staff. They worked diligently throughout the summer to make sure our schools are clean and ready for the new year. They really made a huge difference in deep cleaning our schools, adding hand sanitizer stations, painting classrooms, and overseeing the roof replacement project at Wilson Elementary School.

The District is looking forward to the new year and we are excited for our students to come back to school!

Sincerely,

Dr. Joseph H. Zotto,

Superintendent

ALL PARENTS will be asked to supply proof of residency from each of the following categories:

1) current mortgage or lease agreement, contract for house; only if new purchase
2) two current utility bills showing date no more than 30 days old;
3) Illinois driver's license or Illinois State ID card with *current address*

Also, an ***original birth certificate*** is needed for any new students to the district for the first time.

All forms of residency proof must be originals with addresses within district boundaries. Additional proofs of residency may be requested by the Resource Officers, at their discretion.

Parents or Guardians making a fraudulent registration will be charged tuition for the time the child has been enrolled and the child will be dismissed immediately, and possible criminal charges may be filed.

Unless students are registered PRIOR to the first day of class, they WILL NOT be allowed in class on Thursday, August 20.

Kindergarten/Pre K/Early Childhood
The first day of school for Kindergarten, Pre K and Early Childhood is Thursday, August 20, 2020.

Registration/Book Rental Fees

Kindergarten	$40.00
Grades 1-5	$65.00
Grades 6-8	$70.00

Children from all households will be asked to fill out an application for free or reduced lunch. This application is attached and will inform the district if the student is eligible for benefits. You must complete the application and return it to the school during registration. If you have questions please contact Mr. Charlie Russ at 708-868-7926.

NOTE:
Lunches and milk for students will be available beginning the ***first full day of school.***

Adult Lunch $4.00
(Additional milk is .30 per carton)

All students will receive FREE Breakfast and Lunch!

HEALTH RECORDS
All students registering for Kindergarten, entering from an out of state school and 6th graders are required to have a NEW physical examination done prior to registration. No appointments will be accepted.

SIXTH GRADE PHYSICALS
If your child plans to participate in any junior high interscholastic sport activities during the 2020-2021 school year, they will need a new physical exam to be completed before they are allowed to participate.

DENTIST
All second and sixth graders are required to have a dental examination done prior to May 04, 2021.

VISION
The law calls for the eye exam to take place one year prior to kindergarteners starting school in the fall and for all students who are entering for the first time in Illinois. Proof of the eye exam must be submitted by October 15 of each school year.

TRANSPORTATION
Anyone living more than 1.5 miles from their school will be provided bus service. If you live less than 1.5 miles and you have a bus stop close to your home, you may be eligible to purchase bus service for $200.00 (***paid in advance***) for the entire year, **if there is a seat available**.

District Website
www.calumetcity155.org

SCHOOL HOURS
Wentworth Intermediate/Wentworth Jr. High
8:20 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Wilson Elementary
8:30 a.m. to 3:10 p.m.

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Wilson Elementary	862-5166
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