



News at a Glance

Dear Parents,

As we enter the month of October, we find ourselves in full swing of our school year. Routines are developing and I believe our students are becoming accustomed to the virtual format. Our teachers and students have been working hard to get to know each other and build relationships. We appreciate your assistance with students as we work to engage students in the virtual format. Allowing students to have a workspace that is not in their bed and encouraging them to have their camera on during instruction are two things that help ensure student engagement.

Schools will be closed for students on Monday, October 12th and Tuesday, October 13th for Parent Teacher Conferences. Although the staff of Southgate Elementary meets with families throughout the year, we will be utilizing SignUp Genius to schedule conferences on these days. SignUp Genius will allow families to self-select a time to meet with your child's homeroom teacher. As time is limited, we will only be able to honor one 20-minute time slot per child and with only one grade level teacher. SignUp Genius for each teacher will be located on Southgate Elementary website at <https://www.aacps.org/Page/5078>

During the month of September, students in grades 1-5 students were engaged in a diagnostic assessment called iReady in the areas of reading and math. This assessment was taken online and will self-adjust in order to find a student's performance level. Students in Kindergarten will begin to take this assessment on October 19th. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school at (410) 22-6445.

As we continue through the school year, it will be important for families to sign in to Parent Portal to check student progress, attendance and view interims. If you do not have a Parent Portal account, please contact Mrs. McLaren (our Registration Secretary) at (410)222-6445.

All the best,
Mr. Greubel

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Upcoming Events

October 9

Interims sent home

October 12,13

Schools closed for students-conferences

October 19

iReady Assessment for Kindergarten

October 29

Title 1 Parent Overview
8:00am-8:30am and 5:30pm-6:00pm

November 3

Election Day Schools Closed

November 12-13

2 Hour Early Dismissal for the end of the MP1

November 24

Report Cards sent home

November 25-27

Thanksgiving Break



Anne Arundel County Public Schools Online Meal Benefit Application

Apply for Free or Reduced-Price Meals Now

- Simply log on to <https://applyformeals.aacps.org/> or scan this QR code with your phone
- All information is confidential
- Once the online application is submitted and validated, the eligibility status of your child(ren) will be sent home
- Online meal benefit applications are fast, easy and determined within a few days
- Paper applications are available to families without access to smart phones or computers
- Questions? Contact Food & Nutrition Services at 410-222-5900