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Thursday, August 11, 2022

Dear Arlington Heights School District 25 Community:

We are super excited to welcome our students and families back into our buildings on Wednesday, August 17, 2022! We have already welcomed back our new staff, and they spent this week getting ready for the 2022-2023 school year. Next Monday, we look forward to welcoming back ALL District 25 staff from summer break.

Personally, I am looking forward to an exceptional year of learning, community connections, and fun! I am honored to join you in supporting our students academically, physically, and emotionally. I encourage your family to get involved in all of the wonderful programs each of our school communities have to offer.

As you prepare for the excitement of the new school year, please also take a few moments to review the five topics listed below. Please scroll down for details on each topic:

- 1. District 25 Needs Your Help!
- 2. Food Deliveries at Lunch
- 3. Senate Bill 818 | Health Education
- 4. Public Act 102-0340 | Hygiene Products in School
- 5. COVID-19 Procedures for 2022-23 | www.sd25.org/COVID19

If you have any questions on any of these topics or general questions about the start of the school year, we are always here to help. Feel free to reach out to me (<a href="lbein@sd25.org">lbein@sd25.org</a>) or your school principal.

Together Today to Transform Tomorrow!

Lori D. Bein, Ed.D.

Superintendent

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## District 25 Needs Your Help!

District 25 is an incredible place to work! Currently, we have an urgent need of applicants to fill the following positions:

- <u>Classroom Teaching Assistants</u>
- Food Services Staff
- Crossing Guards

To apply for any of these positions and more, click the position listed above, visit <a href="www.sd25.org/apply">www.sd25.org/apply</a>, or call Kasia Kosinska at (847) 758-4912. Join us in working in a great environment to support amazing students!

#### Food Deliveries at Lunch

Students should bring lunch from home or participate in <u>the school lunch program</u>. If a student forgets to bring a lunch from home, the parent/guardian may drop off their child's lunch at school, or the student can purchase a school lunch. <u>Schools will not accept food deliveries for students from food delivery services or restaurant deliveries</u>.

### Senate Bill 818 | Health Education

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) is expected to make additional resources available this August in alignment with Illinois' *Keeping Youth Safe and Healthy Act* 's voluntary standards. <u>District 25's health curriculum is not changing</u>. Parents will continue to be given the opportunity to preview Candor Health's 5th and 8th grade units in their entirety prior to them being shared with students. District administration is monitoring ISBE's work in this area.

## Public Act 102-0340 | Hygiene Products in School

District 25 is in compliance with Public Act 102-0340 that requires a school district to make menstrual hygiene products available, at no cost to the students, in bathrooms of every school building that are open for student use in grades 4 through 12 during the regular school day. Your children may see these product dispensers in our school bathrooms, no matter the gender designation of the bathroom as the law requires these products be available in **all** restrooms. Also, because restrooms are not designated for specific grade use, these product dispensers are installed in all elementary and middle school bathrooms.

## COVID-19 Procedures for 2022-23 | www.sd25.org/COVID19

District 25's COVID-19 procedures will look different from last year. Students who test positive for COVID-19 will be excluded from school for 5 days after the start of symptoms, and will be able to return to school should their COVID-19 symptoms be gone after 5 days of isolation. For example, if a student tests positive for COVID-19 with symptoms beginning on a Wednesday (day o), they would be eligible to return to school the following Tuesday (day 6).



While students are out, parents can request missed work/homework from the student's classroom. Homework will be made available upon a request to the classroom teacher or school office, and will be available by 3:00 pm on the third day of absence.

Additionally, parents will have the option to sign the student up for the District's Academy Program. This is not a requirement, but an option for those who want their child to participate while they are absent from school. For more information, visit our COVID-19 page on our website: <a href="https://www.sd25.org/COVID19">www.sd25.org/COVID19</a>.