

North End School

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Home of the Panthers!

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Dear NE Parents & Guardians,

Halloween is quickly approaching and we are preparing for our parade. On Thursday, October 31, students will be permitted to dress in costume during the afternoon. Our children will follow the normal lunch schedule from 11:30-12:30. If your schedule permits, we ask that your child eat lunch and change into costume at home and return to North End at 12:30 p.m. (We will follow typical dismissal procedures and our doors will open at 12:30 for children to re-enter the building). If your child remains in school, lunch aides will be available to assist students who need help in dressing. **We will be posting a form in the Genesis Parent Portal for you to complete so we know your child's plan for lunch on this special day. You will be able to indicate whether they are going home for lunch, staying at NE, or if someone else is going to be the responsible party. An e-blast will be sent letting you know when the form is ready for your review and attention in the portal.**

Our Halloween Parade will begin at 1:00 p.m. Weather permitting; the parade will follow the route on the map (on a separate document). The students will exit the building through the doors by the gym in this order: **fourth grade, third grade, second grade, first grade, kindergarten, pre-k.** They will parade along the sidewalk in front of the building and down the path to the lower field area. The students will hold in this pattern until everyone gets down the path and then will parade back up the path to the front door and enter the building. Following the parade, the children will have their classroom parties. All guests will be expected to line the parade route behind the caution tape and/or cones. Please help our children move along the parade route by ensuring they have appropriate footwear for walking along the path and masks that do not block their vision, and by not stopping them for pictures!

Lastly, **in the event of inclement weather**, the Halloween Parade will not be held. **Again, this is only in the case of heavy rain!** We will make a decision, based on the weather, and inform everyone on the actual day. Please understand, the children will still be able to wear his/her costume and have the class parties, but space limitations will prevent having this event indoors.

As always, please remember to adhere to our parking lot rules and refrain from entering the lot during any time on this day, regardless of any special parking placards you may possess. If you or any of your guests need special arrangements, please contact me directly. I thank you in advance for your cooperation and support during this special event at North End. Should you have any questions, please call our office.

Sincerely,

Traci Dyer, NE Principal