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~IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT KNOLLWOOD SCHOOL ARRIVAL & ENTRY TIME~

Dear Fair Haven Families,

As we approach the start of the new school year, I have been reviewing past practices and procedures to ensure the safe and efficient operation of our schools. With that said, it has become apparent that over the past few years, the arrival and entry time for our students at Knollwood School has fluctuated from year to year.

After reviewing our student safety and supervision practices, we have set the following times for student arrival and entry at Knollwood School for the 2016-17 school year:

- Earliest Arrival Time: 8:18 AM (This refers to the time students may arrive on the school grounds.)
- **Student Entry Time: 8:23 AM** (This refers to the time that doors will open & students may enter the building.)
- Class Begins Time: 8:30 AM (This refers to the time after which students will be marked tardy and period 1 begins-this time remains the same as it has always been)

This does not affect the start of the school day. These changes only apply to the time that students may arrive on campus and when the doors will open permitting students to enter the building each day. Class will still begin at 8:30AM as has been past practice.

Our "Earliest Arrival Time" indicates the time that staff will be on duty in an official capacity to supervise children on the school grounds. Please respect this timeframe as there is no supervision provided prior to 8:18 AM.

In cases of significant inclement weather that does not result in a delayed opening, accommodations to allow students to enter as they arrive will be made, as was done this past school year. In the event of a delayed opening, please refer to the <u>2016-17 District Arrival & Dismissal Schedule</u> posted on our school website for guidance.

While this change in arrival timeframe only reflects a 3 minute difference from last year, we realize that it may initially seem inconvenient for some. Please know that our interest is simply in ensuring the safety and well being of our students.

Please also note that there is no change to the Sickles School timeframes for the 2016-17 School Year.

Thank you for your cooperation and I look forward to a great school opening!

Sincerely,

Sean McNeil Superintendent

Mission Statement

The mission of the Fair Haven School District, a small caring community that values education, is to provide students with a broad academic foundation based on the New Jersey and Common Core State Standards, to nurture their talents and abilities, and to inspire them to become life-long learners.