MORAN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

GROS CAP SCHOOL

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September 4, 2020

Dear Gros Cap Families,

 We are so happy to be able to welcome you back to Gros Cap School for the 2020-2021 school year. Life has become very different over the last few months, and we know school will look different than it has in the past. One thing that has not changed is the importance of our students! Their health, safety, growth and happiness are still at the center of our focus for this upcoming school year. The staff at Gros Cap School have spent countless hours preparing for our return to school. It has been much too quiet these last few months! We have some new faces to welcome to Gros Cap this school year. Mr. Will Springsteen will be teaching our 7th and 8th grade class this year, replacing Mrs. Lester and Mrs. Cullen in the classroom. Mr. Jim Sorenson will be our full time custodian during our school days, joining Mr. Crisp who cleans the building after school hours. Mrs. Laura Saunders will be a paraprofessional aide, and Mrs. Heather Matelski will be our Food Service Director and cook, replacing Mrs. Janice O’Boyle who retired at the end of last school year.

 The first day of school will be Tuesday, September 8th. Doors will open at 7:45 daily. The school day is 8:00 am– 3:05 pm. We are not allowing visitors in the building this year, and that includes the first day of school unfortunately. This is a full day of school for all students. Lunch the first day is hot dogs, potato wedges, carrots, apples and milk.

 Enclosed is a copy of the bus routes for the upcoming school year. Please read it carefully, as it gives you the times and details of the bus routes, which have changed since last year. Your bus stop will be the stop that is closest to your home. Students are allowed one drop off and one pick up location. We cannot allow students to have multiple stops. Any changes to the busing choice you selected upon enrolling needs to be communicated to the office prior to the change taking place. As in the past, this schedule will probably be tweaked as we get into the first week or two of school. Please be understanding and patient with us!

 Classroom Teachers

 Kindergarten Miss Rickley

 1st Grade Mrs. Marshall

 2nd Grade Mrs. Clark

 3rd/4th Grade Mrs. Jaggi

 5th/6th Grade Mrs. Kimberling

 7th/8th Grade Mr. Springsteen

Support Staff

 Special Education Mrs. Litzner

 Speech Mr. Rogalla

 Paraprofessional Aides Mrs. Perry

 Ms. Campbell

 Mrs. Saunders

 Cook Mrs. Matelski

 Secretary Ms. Matson

 Custodian Mr. Sorenson

 Mr. Crisp

 Business Manager Mr. Kimberling

We are excited to announce we will be able to offer all students enrolled in our school breakfast and lunch at no charge to your household again this school year. It is essential for each household to fill out an Information Report, found in the packet of materials sent home with your student the first day of school. We are also waiving charges for afternoon milk for Kindergarten and First Grade students.

 Your child will bring home a large packet of information the first day of school. Please look over this information that includes a Student Handbook, COVID-19 information, as well as several different forms and documents to fill out, sign and return to the school as soon as possible.

We strongly encourage parents and guardians to call the school office to communicate rather than come into the school. Parents are not allowed to enter the building to wait for their student at the end of the day. Students getting picked up at the end of the day will exit the building from different locations. Kindergarten and 1st graders will exit from our main door, with an adult supervising their release. 2nd – 4th grade students will exit the building from their end door, located at the west end of the building nearest the playground. An adult supervisor will wait with them until their release to a parent or guardian. 5th – 8th grade students will exit using the front entry, facing Gros Cap Road. We require all parents and guardians entering our parking lot to proceed slowly, with extreme caution and awareness.

 We are encouraging teachers, students and parents to be patient, supportive and understanding as we try to navigate through this school year. Please contact the office with any questions or concerns at (906)643-7970.

Sincerely,

Amy Lester

Superintendent

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