



Steger School District 194

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Dear Steger Intermediate Center Parents/Guardians:

Welcome Back to School!

I want to take a moment to welcome you all to the 2021-2022 school year. It would be an understatement to say that we have all been on a roller coaster ride these last 18 months. We have all persevered through remote and hybrid learning, and we are now ready to welcome our students back into the building for a full day of in-person instruction. Our staff is hard at work getting our building and classrooms ready for students to have a safe and successful school year starting on the first day of school - Wednesday, August 25, 2021. For the start of the school year, we will be adhering to the Governor's mandate that all students, staff, and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, must wear masks when inside our schools. Students will not wear masks while eating or while they are outside.

SIC school hours are from 8:00 am-2:30 pm. Attendance is VERY important to ensure that students have a successful school year. Please make sure your student arrives on time to school as instruction will begin promptly at 8:00 am. Breakfast will be served from 7:30-8:00 am. If your student will be absent, please make sure to contact the attendance office at 708-753-4200.

The first days of school for dropping students off are always a little busy. Please be patient as everyone learns the routines and procedures.

A.M. Drop Off:

- Doors open and supervision starts at 7:30 am - Please do not drop students off before the 7:30 am bell. Students may enter through the main entrance under the clock.
- Drop off for students will be on Hopkins Street. Hopkins is ONE WAY going North.
- There is no parking on Hopkins street until after 8:00 am so that students have space to safely walk. If you must park and visit the office before 8:00 am, you may park at the Community Center parking lot or along 35th Street.
- Students can be dropped off at any point on Hopkins Street and walk to the main entrance under the clock. The more cars that have students exit along Hopkins, the quicker the line will move. Please do not wait until you are the first car in order for your student to exit the vehicle - a little morning walk is good for everyone!
- Please be mindful that we do have some students that will cross Hopkins at the alley - Drive Slowly and Safely and obey the Crossing Guards!
- All students should exit their vehicles on the passenger side of the car for safety purposes.
- School buses will drop students off at the circle drive off of Lewis - Parents cannot drop students off in this area.

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P.M. Pick Up:

- Dismissal is at 2:30 pm; all walkers/car riders will dismiss from the 3 entrances in the front of the school.
- Hopkins Street is one way, going North, at drop off and pick up times - **There is no parking along the West side of Hopkins so that traffic can move along easily and safely.**
- There are minimal parking spaces along Hopkins. Pull into the spots when arriving
- You can also arrange with your student to pick them up in the Community Center Parking Lot or along 35th street - Crossing Guards will be located on Steger Road (SPD Employee), at Hopkins & 35th Street (SIC Staff) and crossing students at the alley on Hopkins (SIC Staff). Please adhere to Crossing Guard directives to ensure student safety.
- If there are any changes to how your student is to be transported home, you must contact the school office no later than 1:00 pm. Unless notified otherwise, students will be sent home their usual way.

Upcoming Dates:

Monday, August 23, 2021 - 6:00 - 7:30 pm - Steger Intermediate Center Open House: You can visit at any time during this time frame. You can also bring your student's school supplies to the classrooms. Masks are required for all visitors.

Wednesday, August 25, 2021 - 1st Day of School - 8:00-1:30; doors open at 7:30

Monday, September 6, 2021 - No School - Labor Day

Week of August 30, 2021, the Steger Intermediate Center staff and students will be practicing all state required emergency safety drills - this includes the Law Enforcement Drill. Please contact the office if you would like for your child to opt out of this drill.

I would like to thank all of the SD 194 Families for their continued support as we continue to navigate through these unprecedented times. Please continue to look for our Newsletter, The Cardinal Courier, and to check out our district webpage, www.sd194.org.

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