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Greetings Dysart Elementary School Families,

I am excited to send this letter as it means another school year is about to begin. It is hard to believe that summer vacation is almost over, and you are preparing your kiddos for the next step in their school career.

I would like to begin by welcoming you to Dysart Elementary for the 2008-2009 school year. I would also like to formally introduce you to Mrs. Karen Labovick, the new Assistant Principal at Dysart. You actually may already know her as she served as the Assistant Vice Principal last year. It is wonderful to have someone who has already established relationships with our students and school community taking over this important role. Our summer has been filled with planning ways to provide a safer environment where our students can achieve both academic and social success.

Please look for these changes to our campus:

- You will notice the two buildings in the very front have been removed. The parent drop off and pick up area has been extended to go from the original entrance of Varney Road to the front of the school. You must pull all the way to the front area past the flagpole and crosswalk. That is where students will be monitored at dismissal. Students may only be picked up in this area. Of course, you are always welcome to park in either parking lot and walk into the school to pick them up. Please do not pull into the parking lots and wait there to pick up your student. We believe this will reduce the long line of cars that build up on Varney and create a safety hazard each year. In the morning you may still drop your children off closer to the cafeteria doors as that is where they will enter the school in the morning.
- The installation of security fencing has begun in the front of our building as well. We are excited to have this very important aspect of providing a safe environment part of our campus.
- The bike racks have been moved to the South East end of the building, near the primary playground. This will eliminate all of the bikes traveling through the walkers, pick up students and cars waiting to pick up children.

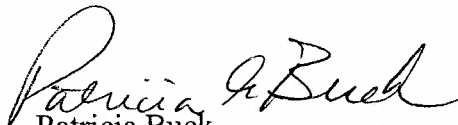
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- A hand washing sink has been installed in the cafeteria, please remind your child to stop by there before going through the line to get breakfast and lunch.
- As you know we are always available to answer your questions, please call or come in and we will be glad to help you.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, August 9, from 9:00 to 11:00 am for our annual Meet the Teacher Event. Please plan on attending so you can check out the changes to our campus, look at the class lists that will be posted, and talk to your child's teacher in the classroom. We will also be holding our first PTO meeting immediately after the event in the Library at 11:00. We would love to have your input on goals for this year and nominations for new officers. See the attached flyer from PTO. Also included is the suggested list of supplies for each grade level, school calendar and some general school information. Teachers will have their wish lists for additional supplies posted at the Meet the Teacher Event.

Enjoy the rest of your summer! Keep Reading!


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Karen LaBovick
Asst Principal

Don't forget to check out our new and improved website!

www.dysart.org/des



Dysart Unified School District #89
Dysart Elementary School



Class Lists Posted
First Day of School

August 9, 2008
August 11, 2008
www.dysart.org/des

Link to Dysart Elementary Website:

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS	
Main Office	(623) 876-7100
Fax	(623) 876-7137
Attendance Line	(623) 876-7136 (Call before 9:00 a.m.)
Health Assistant	(623) 876-7104
Cafeteria	(623) 876-7122
Counselor	(623) 876-7125
Dysart Den (Child Care)	(623) 876-7145

SCHOOL HOURS		
Office	Monday - Friday	7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Students	Monday	8:15 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
	Tuesday - Friday	8:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Playground Supervision	Monday - Friday	7:40 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

DRESS CODE
The District encourages students to take pride in their attire as it relates to the school setting. Students should dress in a manner that takes into consideration the educational environment, safety, health, and welfare of self and others.
A full description of the dress code policy is available on our school's website and in the 2008-2009 Student Handbook that will be distributed on the first day of school.

CHILD CARE - DENS CLUB
Students are not to arrive on campus BEFORE 7:40 a.m. and should be picked up NO LATER than 3:15 p.m. If you are in need of child care outside these hours, the Dens club is open from 6:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. for your convenience. Please contact the Community Ed Department for information on registration and fees at 623-876-7979, 623-876-7056 or 623-876-7161.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION	
Lunch	Meals for your child(ren) should be arranged prior to the first day of school. You can now pay online at www.mealpayplus.com . Free and Reduced Lunch applications will be sent home on the first day of school. Breakfast \$.75 Lunch \$2.00
Transportation	Transportation to and from school should be arranged prior to the first day of school. Written notification MUST be provided for ANY changes. Go to www.dysart.org (see Transportation under the Parents and Students link) to find information for your child's bus route. Transportation Department can be reached at (623) 876-7030

