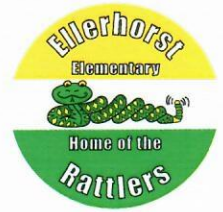


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August 15, 2023

Dear Ellerhorst Families,

It is with great joy and anticipation that we at Ellerhorst welcome you back for the upcoming 2023–2024 school year. Our amazing custodial staff, led by our Interim Head Custodian, Ms. Rosario, worked all summer getting our school clean and ready. Our Dads Club volunteers came this past Saturday to help spruce things up around the yard. Our secretarial staff, Ms. Andrea and Ms. Cindy, have been working diligently to ensure a smooth start for staff, students, and families. Our exceptional team of experienced, dedicated, and caring teachers and staff is ready and committed to connect with each of their students, and provide an engaging learning experience for their class.

We are proud of our rich heritage of this school, with so many families staying in the community, and children of former students coming to this school. We have been fortunate to see many generations come to grow up here. A large part of this legacy has been our families, and our family involvement in the school.

Strong family involvement and connections have always been a crucial part of student success at Ellerhorst. Throughout the year, there will be numerous opportunities for you to actively participate in your child's education. From Back to School Night on September 7th, to school-wide events and volunteer opportunities, we encourage you to get involved and become an integral part of our school community. Your support and partnership are invaluable in creating a positive and enriching experience for our students.

We want to make sure you are connected to us throughout this year, and we will use multiple methods that suit your life. We will share information through Posts on the district's communication platform, ParentSquare, as well as our school's ClassDojo. We will endeavor to keep our website current as a resource for information you may need throughout the year. You may also receive information through email, phone, and text as long as you keep your contact information current. Please stay connected and update your annual forms in PowerSchool

We recognize that our parking lot is small. The angled spaces are reserved for our staff. We encourage parking on Pinole Valley Road, or walk or bike to school as much as possible. If you do use our parking lot, please respect our guidelines posted on our website under the "Our School" tab. Most importantly, be patient and kind, and assume the best intentions of others.

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We are excited about all that this new school year has to offer and look forward to working with our students and families to support our students emotionally and academically this year.

Finally, I am honored and privileged to continue to serve as your principal for a 6th year here at Ellerhorst, and work with all families to make this an amazing year of growth for our children.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Greg Whaling".

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