



PANTHER POST

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ISSUE 1

WELCOME TO THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Greetings Anthony Families & Friends,

We want to officially welcome all of you to the 2018-2019 school year! For those of you who are new, we want you to know that you are coming to an absolutely wonderful place. Our teachers and staff are a caring, innovative and collaborative group of individuals who strive to have students reach their fullest potential. The first week of school will be focused on transitioning students back to school and to Anthony. Students will learn how to be a successful Anthony Panther through the **4 Rs - RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, READINESS and RELATIONSHIP**. We believe practicing and teaching the 4 R's will contribute to meeting our school vision of helping our students to be **"Ready for high school, ready for college, and ready for life."**

New Anthony Staff Members

We would like to welcome and introduce you to our newest staff members:

Todd Aber (Fitness Teacher)

Cayla Baumann (Social Studies Teacher)

Noel Creager (Science Teacher)

Ben Deering (Math Teacher)

Elena Duren (English Teacher)

Michele Lahti (Math Teacher)

Katy Linne (Band Teacher)

Sophia Mickman (Science Teacher)

Michelle Mlsna (English Teacher)

Carrie Smith (Dance Teacher)

Shekinah Stigler (Special Ed ASD Teacher)

Dara Ceaser (Social Worker filling in for Ms. Pillsbury)

Dan Dickerson (MathCorps Tutor)

Carlos Figari (AmeriCorps Tutor)

Greg Gomez-Alvarado (Spanish BPA)

Megan Gustafson (School Counselor)

Tameeka Hayes (Special Ed Assistant)

Louise Fontaine (French Intern)

Miriam Bolaños (Spanish Intern)

Your support is greatly appreciated and welcomed!

At Anthony, we believe it is important for families and schools to work together and share responsibility for student success. We have many opportunities for parents to be involved ranging from volunteering in the classroom to checking out books in the media center to assisting in the main office or helping out at school events. For more information, contact our Family Liaison, Ms. Price at beverly.price@mpls.k12.mn.us.

We hope to see and hear from you often.

Your Administrative Team,

Mai Chang P. Vue, Principal

Tonya Matthews, Assistant Principal

Joy Misselt, Instructional Specialist

Casey Strecker, MYP Coordinator



UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 27	First Day of School
Sep 3	No School Labor Day
Sep 11	Picture Day
Sep 13	5-7pm Walk in Your Child's Shoes (Curriculum Night)
	PTA Meeting 7:15pm

SCHOOL HOURS

School Hours are 9:30am-4:00pm.

Your first class starts at 9:30am. Please be on time!

In the interest of safety, please do not drop off your children before 9:10am, as there is no supervision before that time. Also, please be sure to pick up your children by 4:30pm.

Door #3 will open at **9:10am** for students to enter for breakfast. Students must remain in the cafeteria until 9:20am.

Door #1 will open at **9:20am** for students to enter the building to go to their lockers. Students are expected to be in class by 9:30am.

After 9:30am, all students, parents and visitors are to enter through Door #1 on Irving Avenue.

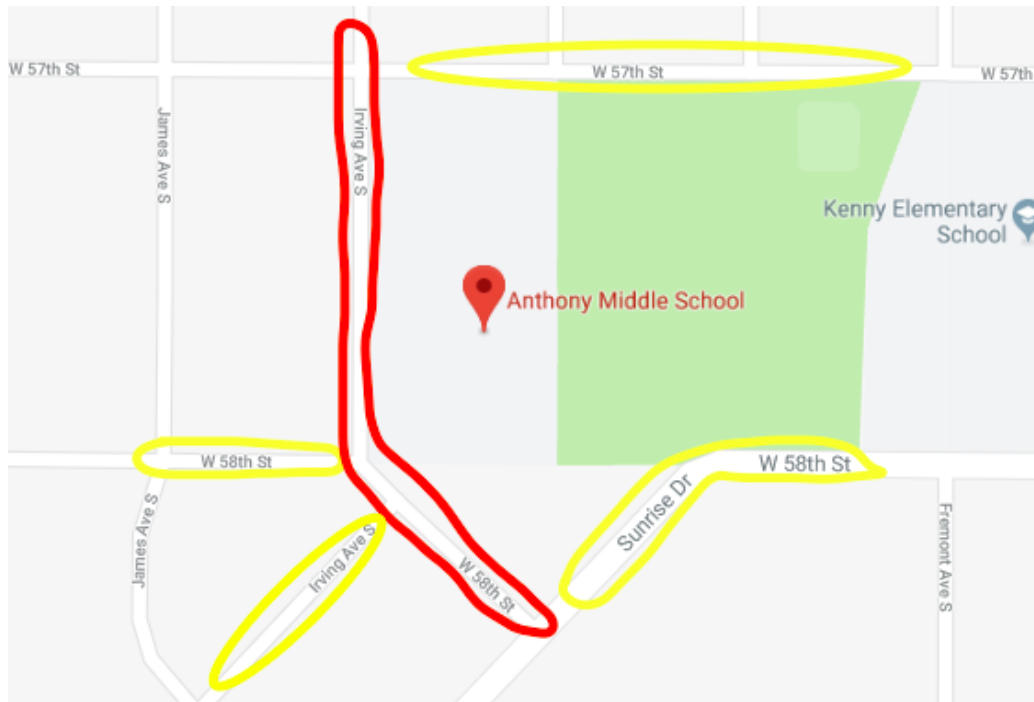
Students are dismissed at 4:00pm.

If riding the bus, students must board right away. **Buses depart at 4:08pm.**



PICK-UP / DROP-OFF

When you drop off or pick up your child, please do not block the bus lanes, fire lanes or crosswalks. Due to buses and for the safety of your children, please avoid dropping off and picking your child in the **red** zones pictured below. The **yellow** zones are preferred. After school can get a bit busy. Please communicate to your child where you will pick her/him up.



TRANSPORTATION

Please be prepared for buses to be late as our new bus drivers learn routes. If there are any questions related to busing, please contact MPS Transportation at 612-668-2300 or transportation@mpls.k12.mn.us

For the safety of everyone, we do not tolerate unsafe bus behavior. Riding the bus is a privilege. Not following bus rules or inappropriate behavior may lead to a bus suspension or bus expulsion.

BICYCLISTS & SKATEBOARDERS

We ask that once you are on school grounds, you **walk** your bike or skateboard. This is for the safety of all pedestrians. Please be sure to lock your bike on a bike rack. Skateboards may be stored in your locker.

PTA CORNER

Welcome new and returning families from your PTA Board:

Kathy Ferrey and **Kai Gudmestad**, Co-Chairs

Sarah Poindexter, Treasurer

Melanie LaMere, Secretary

Nicole Valentine, Site Council Liaison & Meeting Coordinator

Janet Bomar and **Michelle Hemingway**, Event & Volunteer Coordinators

ATHLETICS

This year for athletics the middle schools offer co-ed soccer in the fall and boys and girls basketball in the winter.

7th and 8th grade students may try out for high school sports.

If you have any questions in regard to athletics, please contact Coach Bishop.

Cornelius.Bishop@mpls.k12.mn.us





GIVE BACK TO ANTHONY

Save Your Box Tops: There is a pink collection box in the office.



an easy way to
earn cash for
your school!

File Your Kowalskis Receipts: Place your Kowalskis receipts in the labeled Anthony bin at the front of the store. Donations are made quarterly based on the total number of receipts collected in each school's bin.



Go to giveMN.org: Donate or raise funds through giveMN.org



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6th Grade or New Students:

DID YOU MISS THE WELCOME BACK OPEN HOUSE ON THURSDAY, AUG 23?



Not to worry, here's the link to the presentation.

tinyurl.com/SBAOpenHouse18

