

# ARMOREL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

It is amazing how time flies when you are having fun. I am sure most of our teachers and students cannot believe it is already time for us to begin our new school year. I hope our students were able to enjoy a little extra time with their parents and possibly extended family, as well as, play outside and participate in summer activities. Getting back into the routine for school is sometimes a tough transition.

As the new superintendent, I am overly excited to get to meet all of our students and parents. Teachers have been preparing their classrooms and lessons, and the school is ready to welcome everyone.

### BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS

**Set up a bedtime and wake-up routine in advance.** If possible, it's best to establish bedtimes and wake-up times two weeks in advance of the start of school. By the time the first school bell rings, kids will already be on the right sleeping schedule and it will be one less worry for your family.

**Get to know new teachers.** There will be open houses, orientations, and other meet-and-greet options at the beginning of the school year. Try to find a few minutes before or after school to connect one-on-one with the teachers. At the very least, send an introductory email that includes how you can help during the school year, however big or small.

**Organize clothing.** Of course you will need to donate or otherwise get rid of the clothing that your kids have outgrown, but you should also take the time to carefully organize what is left. From there, decide what items you may need more of before school begins.

**Set up a staging area.** Find a central spot to store everything related to school, including backpacks, upcoming outfits, and a dry erase calendar with family schedules. Try to keep this area free of clutter and other non-school items so that you can find what you need, when you need it—and quickly. Also, find a quiet, no TV, area in the house to designate as a "homework spot".

**Keep a calendar (schedule).** If possible, provide a daily check sheet to include reading and or homework time. Make sure your child knows all school related and non-school related activities each day (week).

## UNDER CONSTRUCTION

I am sure you have noticed the construction taking place with our Gym Lobby. I am happy to report the construction project is moving right along as scheduled. Our target completion is mid-October. Until then, we will have a small disruption in our parking lot. Mrs. Lawrence, High School Principal, will be sharing student parking information with you. We want to accommodate our student drivers; however, student safety is of utmost importance.

### UP COMING EVENTS

\*August 10 6:00-7:30: Open House \*August 14: FIRST DAY of SCHOOL \*August 28 5:30-7:00: Public Meeting

\*September 4: Labor Day No School

### OUR MISSION

Provide a safe environment that promotes active student participation in a rigorous, balanced education that focuses on critical thinking and problem solving skills utilizing technology and collaborative strategies for college and career readiness.