



**Orange Township Public Schools**  
CLEVELAND STREET SCHOOL  
*"Making the impossible POSSIBLE!"*  
**Mr. Robert Pettit, Principal**



August 20, 2021

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers,

We are excited for the start of the 2021-2022 school year at Cleveland Street School! We are partners, jointly dedicated to helping your child grow socially, emotionally, and intellectually. This school year will be filled with continued opportunities to stretch your child's practice. It is going to be a great school year for not only the school level staff but for each of you as well. For the last 15 months, we were immersed in a remote and/or hybrid model. I am pleased to share that we are returning to all buildings on September 7, 2021. Governor Murphy shared in Executive Order #175 that remote learning would end as of June 30, 2021. As shared by Superintendent Dr. Fitzhugh, the end of the remote option provided the district the opportunity to plan accordingly for the safe return for all students and staff. What did the district do? We maintained our mask mandate throughout the summer, continued our temperature checks, and social distancing.

Throughout SY 21-22, as we did during the spring and summer, COVID testing will continue at every school building throughout the school year. We will continue the daily COVID-19 questionnaire that you completed each day last school year in Genesis. The district's mask mandate will help to ensure the continued health and safety of all staff and students.

All face coverings (whether disposable or reusable) must:

- ✓ Be made with at least 2 layers of breathable materials
- ✓ Fully cover the nose and mouth and secure under the chin
- ✓ Fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face
- ✓ Be secured with ties or ear loops and allow the user to remain hands-free

In our reopening plan, the following are symptoms of COVID-19 where your child/children should be tested.

- ✓ A fever of 100 degrees or greater
- ✓ Cough
- ✓ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- ✓ Chills
- ✓ Repeated shaking with chills

- ✓ Muscle pain
- ✓ Headache
- ✓ Sore throat
- ✓ New loss of taste or smell
- ✓ Fatigue
- ✓ Congestion or runny nose
- ✓ Nausea or vomiting
- ✓ Diarrhea

### **BUSSING PROCEDURES**

Students will be picked up and dropped off at **Alden Place**, directly across the street from the Orange Garden Center.

#### **MORNING BUS**

- Students may arrive at Alden Place beginning at 7:45 A.M.
  - **There will be no one there to supervise them until 7:45 A.M.**
- **Students must wear a mask covering their nose and mouth the entire time they are on the bus.**
- Buses will depart for Our Lady of the Valley at exactly 8:00 A.M.
- For safety reasons, and to maintain full compliance with CDC guidelines, we will **not be having a “Late Bus”**
  - **If students are not on their assigned bus prior to 8:00 A.M. it will be the parents’ responsibility to transport their child to Our Lady of the Valley.**
- As students disembark the bus, they will have their temperature taken again before they can enter the building and walk to the classroom with their teacher.

#### **AFTERNOON (3:20 P.M. DISMISSAL)**

- Buses will leave Our Lady of the Valley at 12:30 P.M. and will arrive back at Alden Place beginning at 3:40 P.M. **All students must either walk directly home or be picked up promptly at 12:40 P.M.**

**DROP OFF AND PICK UP OF STUDENTS AT OLV**  
*(Families must use the Main Entrance on McChesney Street)*

#### **MORNING DROP OFF AT OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY**

- Families may begin dropping off students at Our Lady of the Valley at 8:15 A.M.
  - **We will not be able to supervise students and implement social distancing protocols, in alignment with CDC Guidelines until 8:15 A.M.**

#### AFTERNOON PICK UP AT OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY

- Families are reminded that the instructional day is from 8:30 A.M. until 3:20 P.M. Students will not be dismissed for pick up prior to 3:20 P.M.
  - **When parents arrive, an announcement will be made for their child to report to the main entrance for dismissal. This will be done on a first come, first served basis. In order to comply with CDC Guidelines parents will not be allowed to enter the building.**

## **STUDENT ATTIRE**

Grades	
(K - 4)	(5 - 7)
- White/Blue Button/Polo/Golf Shirt with Collar - Slacks, Dress or Skirt (Black or Navy) - Sneakers/Shoes etc. – Laced and Tied (NO FLIP FLOPS) - P.E. Grey/Blue Sweats	- White/Blue Button/Polo/Golf Shirt with Collar - Slacks, Dress or Skirt (Khaki) - Sneakers/Shoes etc. – Laced and Tied (NO FLIP FLOPS) - P.E. Grey/Blue Sweats
<b>STUDENTS MAY NOT WEAR</b>	
Hoodies (See Note Below) Tee Shirts. And Shirts with Writing, Designs or Pictures Ripped, Torn or Excessively Tight-Fitting Clothing Jean, Denim, Shorts (Except on Designated Dress Down Days) Clothing that Exposes the Torso or Midsection, Bottom Clothing that Exposes Underwear or Undergarments Head or Do-Rags, Caps, Bandanas (Other than for Religious Reasons) Slides, Flip Lops, Chinese Slippers or House Shoes	

*Note: Hoodies can be worn to school but must be removed and stored upon arrival.  
Shirts must always be tucked in student's pants or skirts while in school.*

**SCHEDULES AND BUS ASSIGNMENT KIOSK:** We are passing out schedules and student bus assignments on Tuesday, August 31, 2021, from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM and Wednesday, September 1, 2021 from 10:30 AM until 3:30 PM.

**CLASSROOM SUPPLIES:** For information regarding classroom supplies, please visit [www.orange.k12.nj.us](http://www.orange.k12.nj.us) and select Cleveland Street school for a comprehensive review by grade level and subject area.

**STUDENT ABSENCES** Parents are responsible for reporting daily absences to Cleveland Street School Secretary, at 973-677-4100. The district policy indicates that a student must be in attendance for 163 or more school days in order to be considered to have successfully completed the instructional program requirements of the grade/course to which he/she is assigned.

**FORMS** Students will receive the emergency contact form on the first day of school. Please review and complete the emergency form and other corresponding forms by September 13, 2021. It is important that these forms are returned so we are able to have active communication with you throughout SY 21-22.

**CHROMEBOOKS** - Students are to bring their district issued Chromebook to school on a daily basis; **full charged.**

## **CLEVELAND STREET SCHOOL MISSION**

- Cleveland Street School in collaboration with all stakeholders is responsible for promoting the academic, social, emotional and personal success of all students.
- With a commitment to academic excellence, Cleveland Street School provides teachers, families, and administrators the tools needed for all students to reach their full potential.
- Cleveland Street School serves all students in our schools, acknowledging their unique backgrounds, cultural perspectives, and learning styles.
- Cleveland Street School recognizes that curiosity, discipline, integrity, responsibility, and respect are necessary for success.
- Cleveland Street School District cultivates a community of 21st century learners where students take ownership of the learning process, achieve high standards of excellence, and focus on academics.

## **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM (TENTAIVE):**

**Academic Support**  
October 13, 2021 - May 19, 2022  
(Tuesday - Thursday)  
3:20PM - 4:20PM

1st Grade (15 Students Max)  
2nd Grade (15 Students Max)  
3rd Grade (15 Students Max)  
4th/5th Grade ELA (15 Students Max per Grade)  
4th/5th Grade Mathematics (15 Students Max per Grade)  
6th/7th Grade ELA (15 Students Max per Grade)  
6th/7th Grade Mathematics (15 Students Max per Grade)

**Clubs - Grades 4 - 7**  
October 15, 2021 - May 20, 2022  
(Fridays ONLY)  
3:20PM - 4:20PM

Math 24 - (15 Students Max)  
Math Olympics - (15 Students Max)  
Robotics - (15 Students Max)  
Debate - (15 Students Max)  
CSS Morning Show - (15 Students Max)  
Girls Who Code - (15 Students Max)  
Student Council - (15 Students Max)

## **COMMUNICATION**

- All teachers and staff will be connected to our students and families using “Class Dojo.” Please ensure you have connected with your child’s classroom teacher on this platform and check the “school story” daily for any announcements.
- E-mail & phone blasts will also be used to communicate with families. Please ensure you have updated your contact information in genesis. It is imperative that all school personnel have the most update information for your household.
- Being able to communicate with our parents is extremely important. Please ensure that all your information is updated. You will receive calls from our secretaries to check and update your information in Genesis.

- Parent Portal will be the means of accessing all your student's important information, his/her progress/grades, missing assignments and other concerns that might impact your student's performance or well-being. If you have not done so, please ensure that you sign up for parent portal.
- Please listen to phone blasts sent by the school and/or District. They include important information and guidance. This is even more important in these uncertain times.
- If you have not signed up for the Orange App, you can download on your Android or Apple iPhone.
- The School's and District's social media platforms are a great source for posting updates & important information as well as celebrating and sharing photos of our fun activities. You can also follow our school on the following social media platform below:
  - **Twitter:** Orange Public School District (<https://twitter.com/ClevelandCSS>)
  - **Instagram:** Orange Public School District
  - **Facebook:** Orange Public School District

Looking forward to a happy, healthy, and productive school year!

Educationally yours,

*Robert Pettit*

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