

# Clancy-Maggiore School for the Arts

## September Newsletter

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### “Clancy/Maggiore’s Amazing Race”

#### Principal's Corner

Greetings Clancy-Maggiore Families,

Thank you for sharing our annual Back to School Night with us. We are pleased that all of our families are setting the stage for our theme this year, “The Amazing Race”. Whereas, S. M. A. R. T. is our school’s acronym for successful, motivated, accountable, respectful and trustworthy students. These words are recited daily by students and are the cornerstone of our belief. We invite you to start your engines and become an active member of our school.

As your principal, am committed to finding the best teachers and staff members for your children. This year there have been some grade level changes and several new faculty and staff members. I am confident that our extraordinary staff will work diligently for our students. They are truly committed to excellence and providing high quality instruction.

Our school’s newsletter is the primary form of communication to our families. Please look for our newsletter on the first Monday of each month. Maintaining a positive relationship with families is essential to ensuring the success of every student. You can accomplish this in a number of ways:

- Send notes to the teacher via your child’s folder or email. Teachers will provide all parents with their email addresses via letter or during open house. Teacher’s check their email daily and can get back to you quickly.
- Contact the teacher via a phone call. Although teachers cannot leave the classroom at all times during the day, each teacher has a planning period and can return phone calls during that time.
- Attend Parent/Teacher conferences. We have days that are devoted to conferences, but do not hesitate to request a conference at any time during the year.
- When your child realizes that both parents and teachers are committed to his/her success, only positive results can be achieved.

Best Wishes for a Great School Year,  
Mrs. Dorsey-Dumes

#### No School for Students

On Monday, September 5, 2022, students will not have school in observance of Labor Day. Students will return to school on Tuesday, September 6, 2022.

#### Distribution of Interim Reports – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

First quarter interim reports will be issued on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 for students in grades Kindergarten - 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Please sign the green copy and return to school by Friday, September 16, 2022.

#### Afternoon Dismissal

Afternoon dismissal is important to ensuring that every student makes it home safe. **No student will be allowed to check out of school after 1:30 p.m.** This is the critical time teachers need to assign homework and ensure that each child is prepared for dismissal. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

#### Changes to Dismissal

All changes for student dismissal must be made in writing to the teacher or via email at [clancy@jpschools.org](mailto:clancy@jpschools.org). No request will be accepted after 1:30 p.m. No messages will be taken over the phone.

#### Single Point of Entry

The school district has mandated a comprehensive security program. This includes a single point of entry on campus. Following the 7:20 a.m. bell, all gates will be locked. School visitors, including parents, must be buzzed into the office by the office personnel. The call box is located on the left side of the front entrance. Parents must schedule an appointment to meet with teachers. Email or leave a message in the office for assistance.

#### Free Lunch for All Students

Based on our school’s participation in the USDA Community Eligibility Program, all students at Clancy-Maggiore have free lunch for 2022-2023 school year. This program is for select schools in Jefferson Parish. Students attending other schools may have to apply for free and reduced price meals online at [www.jpschools.org](http://www.jpschools.org).

#### The Safe Road for Students Walking to School

For the safety of all students walking to school without an adult, please report to crosswalks at 6:50 a.m. or later. This will ensure that the crossing guards are on duty and ready to assist students when crossing the busy intersections. Parents walking their child(ren) to school may walk to school at any time.

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## Proper School Uniforms

Every child must be properly dressed in a clean school uniform each day. This includes the school's logo. Students are allowed to wear tennis only. Students must follow all of the school's rules including uniforms to earn blue bands or excellent eagles. Students without the correct uniform will be issued a uniform infraction sheet. After the 3<sup>rd</sup> uniform infraction, students will be issued a detention for each uniform infraction. All students must have the appropriate uniform by September 30, 2022. School logos may be purchased at Embroidery Empire 7005 Magnolia Court Suite H in Metairie. The business is located on the street before the Wendy's and Walgreens off Veterans Drive before Power. Call the school for additional details or directions.

<u>Pre-Kindergarten &amp; Kindergarten Uniform</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Uniforms</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Purple collared shirt with Clancy-Maggiore Logo</li><li>• Khaki pants/shorts/skort (girls only)</li><li>• Black or Brown Belt</li><li>• White or Black Socks</li><li>• Tennis Shoes</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Navy Blue or Green Collared Shirt with the Clancy-Maggiore Logo</li><li>• Khaki pants/shorts/skort (girls only) (knee-length)</li><li>• Black, Navy Blue or Brown Belt</li><li>• Tennis Shoes Only</li><li>• White, Green or Blue Socks</li></ul>

1. All students must wear tennis shoes every day. Boots, sandals and flip flops are not allowed.
2. Students are required to wear their shirts tucked in at all times.
3. Females are allowed to wear white, blue or black tights under their skirts during the months of November, December, January and February only.
4. All pants will be worn at the waist; not hanging below the waist.
5. During cold weather, students are allowed to wear white, navy blue or green shirts under uniform shirt.
6. Students are allowed to wear jackets in the classroom. Hoods may not be worn inside the classroom.

**Please label all clothing with child's name for easy identification.**

## Out of School Uniform Rules for the Year

**All students must follow the dress down rules**—Students may wear:

- Athletic shoes or boots!
- Socks—ankle socks are appropriate
- Properly fitted shorts/athletic shorts (no short shorts—maximum 2 inches above the knee and no sagging shorts)
- Skirts/dresses (maximum 2 inches above the knee)
- Jeans, cargo pants, khaki pants—NOT BAGGY or NOT SAGGING

Students may **NOT** wear:

- Crocs, flip flops, high heels, sandals/ other open toed shoes
- Anything not listed in the "may wear" section!
- Halter tops, tank tops, muscle shirts, sleeveless shirts
- Tight fitting clothes (tights/leggings)
- Clothes with improper language, messages, or symbols

**\*\*Remember**—Dress down days are a privilege, not a right! Students who the administration or teacher has determined to be dressed inappropriately will be required to change into a used uniform or the parent will be called to supply new clothing. These are supposed to be fun opportunities for students in the school.

**All pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students are not allowed to dress out of uniform. We will allow students to purchase a lavender spirit shirt. Students may wear the lavender spirit shirt with jeans on dress out uniform days.**

## VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

We will have virtual Parent/ Teacher Conferences Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> and Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The in-person Parent/ Teacher Conferences will be held on Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. There will be NO School for students on this day.

Teachers will provide parents with additional information regarding scheduling. Teachers may request a conference to discuss:

- student's strengths and areas in need of improvement.
- student's attendance and its impact on student achievement.
- student's work habits and effort in class
- student's peer relationships.
- student's classroom behavior.

## Cell Phone Policy

An increasing number of students have been caught on campus with cellular phones. These phones are a distraction to the learning environment and a violation of school rules. In order to create a positive learning environment for all students, no personal electronic device may be used on campus. This includes iPads, MP3 players, phones or other hand-held music or gaming devices. If a student brings one of these types of devices to school, it may be confiscated and held until a parent comes to school to get it.

At Clancy Maggiore we understand that many parents choose to have their students carry a cell phone for communication purposes in the event of emergencies or changes in plans. However, in order to not disrupt the school day any student bringing a cell phone to school must keep it turned off and turned into their teacher or office during school hours. If a student is seen with a cell phone during school hours they will be given a reminder of the school policy, and/or it may be taken away and kept in the office until the end of the day or until a parent/guardian of the student comes to school to pick it up.

During school hours, if a parent/guardian needs to get a message to their student, they are welcome to call the office at 504.469.3664 and the message will be delivered to the student as soon as possible and in a manner that will not disrupt learning.

## Student Activity Fees

Student activity fees are due for all traditional students. The activity fee covers the student folder, agenda, I.D., technology and other classroom needs. No student will be allowed to participate in the S.M.A.R.T. FEST without paying their Student Activity Fee. Please pay your activity fee to avoid missing the fun.

## Breakfast

Students must arrive to school before 7:15 a.m. to eat breakfast. Only students arriving to school via a late bus will be allowed to eat after this time.

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# September 2022



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
Labor Day No School Students and Staff	<b>School Spirit Shirt Drive Begins</b>			<i>Black and Gold Day Grades 1-5 Students may wear Black and Gold or Saints Shirt with Jeans for \$2.00</i>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
		<b>Interim Reports Distributed to Students</b> <i>**Parents keep the white copy of the interim reports and return the green copy to the school by Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.**</i>	All Freeze Pop Money is Due at 12 noon  \$1.00  Hispanic Heritage Month Begins Sept. 15 <sup>th</sup> - Oct. 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>**Return signed interim reports**</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
		Virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences  By appointment during teacher's planning	Virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences  By appointment during teacher's planning	<b>Parent/ Teacher Conferences</b> 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. <b>By appointment</b>  <b>No School for Students</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
		<i>School ID/ Fall Picture Day</i>  <i>Students must wear their school uniform</i>  <i>Pictures begin at 7:30 a.m.</i>		<b>School Spirit Shirt Drive Ends</b>

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