



The Walnut Ridge School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope that you are all enjoying your summer and that your children are getting excited to start a great year at The Walnut Ridge School! Believe it or not, we are just a little over a month away from the start of school, which begins for students on Wednesday, September 4th! The entire faculty and staff is eagerly awaiting your arrival on the first day and so, in anticipation, I wanted to send you this quick note with some important dates and reminders for the year.

What do I need?

1. Backpack/book bag (without wheels)
2. Lunch box (snack)
3. Glue Sticks (4)
4. Box of mini markers (8 count)
5. Folder with pockets for paper
6. Play dough (2 cans - any color)
7. Smock (old shirt labeled with first name on front)
8. Full change of clothes (socks and underwear included)

When do I come?

Regular Student Hours:

AM: 9:35 - 12:00

PM: 12:50 - 3:15

Delayed Opening Hours:

AM: 11:15 - 1:15

PM: 1:15 - 3:15

Early Dismissal Hours:

AM: 9:35 - 11:35

PM: 11:30 - 1:30

MODIFIED HOURS FOR SEPTEMBER 4, 5, and 6:

AM: 9:35 - 11:35

PM: 11:50 - 1:50

(these hours were modified to provide time for parent questions and for students struggling with transitioning to school)

How can I get more information?

Throughout the school year your child will be bringing home important handouts and information each day in his or her school folder which will be kept in his or her book bag. Please check this regularly to stay up to date with important announcements. Another great place to check for upcoming events and information is on our school website www.vtsd.com. On that website is a link to the Walnut Ridge Blog which I normally update bi-weekly. Additionally, we have a Digital Backpack on our website with informational items and there is a link to our school calendar with important dates. To go over this information and answer any other questions you might have I'd like to invite you to our Back-to-School Night.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd

- **AM STUDENTS - 3:30 - 4:15**
- **PM STUDENTS - 4:30 - 5:15**

Thanks everyone. I am looking forward to a wonderful year together!

Sincerely,



Karen Stoeckel
Supervisor of Pre-K

**VERNON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
2019/2020 SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR**

MONTH	DATE	DAY	REASON	STUDENT DAYS
September	2	Monday	Labor Day (Closed)	19
	3	Tuesday	Teacher In-Service (Closed for students only)	
	4 - 6	Wednesday - Friday	Early Dismissal for Students/PM Teacher In-Service	
October	14	Monday	Early Dismissal for Students/PM Teacher In-Service	23
November	7, 8	Thursday & Friday	NJEA Convention (Closed)	17
	27	Wednesday	EARLY DISMISSAL	
	28, 29	Thursday & Friday	Thanksgiving Recess (Closed)	
December	23	Monday	EARLY DISMISSAL	16
	24 - 31	Tuesday-Tuesday	Winter Recess (Closed)	
January	1	Wednesday	New Year's Day (Closed)	21
	2	Thursday	School Resumes	
	20	Monday	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Closed)	
February	17	Monday	President's Day (Closed)	19
March	20	Friday	Teacher In-Service (Closed for students only)	21
April	10	Friday	Spring Recess (Closed)	16
	13-17	Monday - Friday	Spring Recess (Closed)	
	20	Monday	School Resumes	
May	25	Monday	Memorial Day (Closed)	20
June	10	Wednesday (No Snow Days)	Tentative Last Day for Students and Teachers	8
TOTAL # OF DAYS FOR STUDENTS				180

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL BY SNOW DAYS USED

June	10	Wednesday (-0- Snow Days)	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL BASED ON AMOUNT OF SNOW DAYS USED
	11	Thursday (1st snow day)	
	12	Friday (2nd)	
	15	Monday (3rd)	
	16	Tuesday (4th)	
	17	Wednesday (5th)	
	18	Thursday (6th)	
	19	Friday (7th)	
	22	Monday (8th)	
	23	Tuesday (9th)	
	24	Wednesday (10th)	