



Cedarbrook K-8 Center

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! Once again, there have been a few changes here at Cedarbrook since school was in session last. Our most significant change is a bittersweet one for all of us. Our former vice-principal, Dr. Smith-Snead has been promoted to Principal within our district. We are saddened at the fact that she is leaving us, but happy and proud of her for her new position. We wish her much success! Our new vice-principal is a former Cedarbrook teacher with over 18 years' experience within the Plainfield Public Schools! She's held various roles within her tenure including teacher and instructional coach! Please, let us all welcome Ms. Tenisha Fort, as the new vice-principal of the Cedarbrook K-8 Center! Together with our awesome staff, we plan on making the upcoming school year fun, exciting and memorable!

As with the previous school year, we are still dealing with the effects of the pandemic. We are hopeful that as the year continues that we will not have as many positive cases as before. I encourage all our students, staff and parents to be diligent about washing your hands and staying safe. This includes staying home when you are feeling sick! As for our school protocols, mask wearing will be voluntary going forward. We will continue to follow all safety protocols that have been put forth by the district in compliance with state and federal directives. Ultimately, our desire is to keep our students and staff members safe.

Our children will walk through our doors for the first time on Thursday, September 8th at 8:00 a.m. Dismissal will be at 2:35 p.m. Students eating breakfast will be allowed in at 7:30 am. There will be no parents allowed inside of the building.

New this year: *The latest your child will be dismissed for an "early pickup" will be 1:30 pm. There will be no students dismissed between 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.* We have found that the constant dismissals are very intrusive and destructive to the learning environment.

For the parents of Kindergarteners, we will have in-person **Kindergarten Orientation on Tuesday, August 30th** in our cafetorium, beginning at 9:00 a.m. **Only the Kindergarten student and 1(one) parent will be allowed to attend at the prearranged time.** Kindergarten teachers will call the parents to schedule the orientation sessions. Only confirmed parents and students will be allowed in the building at the predetermined time. **No walk-ups will be allowed to attend!** Parents will receive important information from their student's teacher, our nurse and the administrative team.

I thank you once again for your anticipated cooperation for the upcoming school year. I am excited about our opportunity to work collaboratively with you to provide the best educational experiences for our students.

Sincerely,

Dr. Asante

"A Champion for Students"

