

Ivy Hill Halloween....everything you need to know and more!

Thursday, October 31, 2019

Approximately 1:45 PM for the K-5 parade, with classroom parties immediately following

Approximately 9:15 AM for AM Kindergarten parade

Below are answers to questions you may have about our annual Halloween celebration. Your cooperation to our times and procedures will provide an organized event and account for the safety of all our students. We appreciate your support.

What are the costume guidelines for school?

We ask for your partnership in choosing school appropriate costumes that have no sharp objects, weapons, blood, gore, etc. Students are able to wear make-up and masks (non-latex), as long as it does not interfere with their vision and walking. Students changing at school may apply make-up that can be done independently. We appreciate your understanding and support with these procedures.

When should my child wear his/her costume to school?

Our AM Kindergarten students should wear their costumes to school. All other students wear their costumes after lunch. Students in extended day Kindergarten and first through fifth should not come to school with make-up applied in the morning.

When is the morning Kindergarten Parade?

Our morning Kindergarten students parade at 9:15. Weather permitting, the students will exit the 2nd Grade Door (13) and walk along the front of the school on Burke to the Kindergarten Door (14).

Can my AM Kindergartner join the whole school parade in the afternoon?

Yes. We do allow any AM Kindergartner join the whole school parade in the afternoon. We ask that you email your child's teacher to let them know that your child will be joining. To participate, an adult **MUST** drop off the student at 1:40 at the Kindergarten doors and then pick them up at the same door immediately after the parade.

Can I send treats to my classroom?

We do not allow students to bring any food items for our celebrations. We focus our classroom parties by celebrating together through games, crafts, and activities.

Can my child go home for lunch to change into a costume?

Yes. A digital permission slip form is linked below. Please complete the form indicating if your child will be going home. **If advanced notice is not provided, parents must come into the building and sign out their child to go home for lunch.**

Our family does not celebrate Halloween. Will alternate activities be provided for my child at school?

Yes. We do provide alternate activities for students who choose to stay at school. Please indicate on the permission slip below if you prefer to keep your child home or if you would like them to attend our alternative activities.

When in the lunch period for students who stay at school?

Our lunch period will remain the same from 12:10 - 1:10 PM. Two lunch choices will be provided by District 25 food service that day:

- Pizza Kit
- Yogurt/Cereal Kit

If my child stays at school for lunch can they change into their costume at school?

Yes. Following lunch recess, students who stay for lunch will change into their costumes before the parade begins. Staff member support will be provided to help students change into costumes, but all make-up will need to be applied individually by students. Please do not send any materials in aerosol cans (hair spray, hair color, silly string, etc.)

What is the parade route?

Weather permitting, the parade route will start at our back entrance (the bus doors) and walk to the Valley and Burkner intersection, then down Burke in front of the school, and along the sidewalk in our parking lot to the main entrance doors. Classroom parties will immediately follow the parade and only classroom reps are allowed in the building at that time.

What if it rains that day?

If it rains we will parade indoors and a message will be sent to parents via school messenger.

We make every attempt to maintain an appropriate learning environment during morning instruction. Your cooperation will assist us in making Halloween a day for both learning and celebrating. We look forward to seeing you at the parade!