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Cold Spring Elementary School

Welcome Back, Cougars! Please take a moment to read important first week reminders so you can support a smooth transition to school. This is the first of many communications this year and your diligence in reading them will only support a wonderful school year together.

First Day Reminders

Monday, August 26th is the first day of school! In order to make this transition as seamless as possible, please review below:

- Instruction begins promptly at 9:00am. Staff will be on duty beginning at 8:40am.
- If your child would like to buy lunch from school, please create an account and make sure they have money to purchase. Click [HERE](#) to read about MCPS' meal payment process.
- Please review all information in our [Summer Mailer](#) or on the Cold Spring website under Back To School Information. We will have staff ready to assist your child.
Please be patient the first week as we want to ensure everyone arrives and is dismissed safely. Follow our Cold Spring "[Rules of the Road](#)" safety procedures if you are a car rider.
- Access our Cold Spring Family Handbook [HERE](#).

Cold Spring Bus Routes

Please click the links below to access our bus routes for the 2024-2025 school year. If you have any questions, please call the Bus Depot for Shady Grove South at **240-740-6215**, as they will be best able to assist you. We will have many staff members supporting arrival and dismissal.

[Bus Routes](#)

Department of Transportation Website:

<https://www2.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/transportation/>

Cold Spring Back to School Night

Thank you to everyone for attending our Annual Back to School Night this past week. All grade level teachers will be sharing their presentations with you so please look out for this communication. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions you have. Click [HERE](#) to review the administrative presentation. Remember, your classroom teacher is your first point of contact for any questions or concerns.

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REMIND Communication Tool

This year, I will transition to using the REMIND communication tool for my PAWS weekly communication and monthly newsletters. Please make sure to use the Parents Quick Guide to **create an account** so you receive all of these communications.

[Parent Quick Guide](#)

Let's Show Some Spirit!

Looking for some Cold Spring SWAG? Get in the spirit this year and order Cold Spring Spirit Wear using the link below. This school store will be open until September 14th, so order fast to get your gear for the 2024-2025 school year.

<https://coldspring2024.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

House Color Day

We will be having our first **House Color Day on Friday, September 1st**. Please wear your house colors! We love that house spirit! If you have not received your house color, feel free to dress in your favorite color from head - to - toe!

Kiddo Enrichment Activities

Please use the link below to register if you are interested in before/after school activities. All enrichment opportunities are selected through the PTA and sessions will run in Fall, Winter, and Spring.

[Enrichment at Cold Spring](#)

Calendar Updates:

- Monday, August 26th - First day of school
- Wednesday, August 27th - Practice Fire Drill, 9:30am
- Wednesday, August 28th - Instrumental Music Assembly, Grades 4 & 5
- Friday, August 30th - Shelter & Lockdown Drill, 9:30am