



From the desks of
Mrs. Hartman, Principal
and
Mrs. Clark, Superintendent

Happy first week of school!

We are delighted and honored to be serving as the leaders of Spring Garden School District 178! We wish to extend a warm “welcome back” to all students and parents, as well as welcome the many new families who have recently relocated to our district. We are so very pleased to have you join us as we make history!

Happily, our Monday has gone much more smoothly than last Friday, as we all learn from our mistakes. The shuttle bus is now running smoothly and efficiently, just as we had hoped. The afternoon is more challenging than the morning, but we expect within the week to have it all functioning like clockwork, and get those kiddos home promptly after school.

This is the first of many communications you will receive from us regarding the daily operations of our school district. We hope to keep all parents informed of important happenings and procedures, and we welcome your phone calls and e-mails when you have questions or concerns. Here is a brief snapshot of some operational details you will need to know:

- **MORNINGS**

Both buildings open our doors at 7:45 a.m. Supervision is not provided until 8:00. If students arrive prior to 7:45, they are asked to wait patiently by the entrance until doors are unlocked.

- **SHUTTLE**

If your child does not ride the regular morning bus route, but needs to be transported to the “other” building, you should plan to arrive by 8:00a.m. in order to catch the shuttle.

- **AFTER-SCHOOL**

Unfortunately the YMCA chose not to offer their after-school program. Lack of participation was cited as the basis for their decision. Please understand that we had no control in this matter.

- **MEALS**

Our district has applied to participate in the Federal CEP program, which would provide free lunch and breakfast to every student in the district. We will know this week whether our application was approved. Until then, please do not send lunch or breakfast money.

- **SPORTS**

Baseball games will be played at the Elementary School field. Softball, at the Bonnie Park.

Watch for more news and updates at springgarden178.weebly.com