



Lovejoy Elementary

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Dear Families,

We are off to a great start thanks to all of you and all of your help. Teachers are teaching and students are learning. Teachers are definitely pressed for time throughout the school day planning and organizing interactive lessons for your students. Our goal is to raise student achievement through the use of technology and good classroom instruction. To help with utilizing instructional time during the school day, there has been a revision to the Alton School District Celebration Guidelines. The following has been taken directly out of the 2013-2014 Alton School District #11 Handbook (Page 10):

SCHOOL PARTY/BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION GUIDELINES

The only party to be held at school during the instructional day will be holiday parties in December. Other holiday-themed parties will be held in the evenings as parental involvement events as determined by each school.

Parents of elementary students are allowed to bring in reasonable, store-bought treats for their child to share with classmates for his/her birthday. Parents will not be allowed to go to the classroom. Treats can be left in the office and will be taken to the classroom when the teacher is ready for the treats to be served.

***Please give the teacher plenty of notice if you intend to bring in items on a certain day.**

***All Visitors should report to the office upon arrival. Please do not enter the classrooms.**

(2nd through 5th Grade) Chromebooks will be used throughout the school year by students 2nd through 5th. The students will be working in close proximity to one another in the classroom, therefore a pair of earbuds (not headphones) would come in handy for your child to eliminate classroom distractions. We hope that each student could bring his/her own pair of earbuds to school as soon as possible. We do not think that it is a good idea for students to share earbuds with one another. If you could, please send the earbuds in a Ziploc bag (of some type) with your student's name on it. The teachers can store them in the classroom all year.

Sorry for the inconvenience. We have only best intentions for our students. Thank you for your cooperation and support. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 463-2057.

GO LIONS!!!!

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