Dear Adams Families,

I hope this email finds you well and enjoying summer.

We will have your child's classroom placement available on ParentVUE, which opens Thursday, August 1st. Please sign up for ParentVUE if you have not already done so. You will be able to access your child’s teacher placement and information during the 2019-2020 school year.

Here is the LPS information for ParentVUE:

Lincoln Public Schools parents and guardians: Starting this summer, parents and guardians will verify their child(ren)’s enrollment information through the online parent portal, ParentVUE. This annual process was formerly completed on a paper census form, which parents/guardians had to review, update and return to the office. The first step is for you to activate your LPS ParentVUE account. You should have received an activation letter, but if you need another copy please contact the main office of your child's school. The letter allows you to activate your ParentVUE account, which will be used for the duration of the time you have a student in LPS. If you already use ParentVUE, there’s nothing more you need to do right now. You will be ready to do online registration/verification when it opens July 15th. If you have previously activated your ParentVUE account, but can’t remember your password, you can reset it online at https://synergyvue.lps.org/ If you have questions, please contact the main office.

You’re invited!

We hope to see you at our Open House on Thursday, August 8 from 6:00-7:00. This is an opportunity to meet your child’s teacher, Adams Specialists, sign up for Parent/Teacher conferences, join PTO, and reconnect with our school community.

I look forward to seeing you on August 9th!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Clark
July 2019

Dear Adams Families,
Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! We hope you had a wonderful summer break and are ready to join us for another year of learning. It is with anticipation and excitement that we begin our 12th year at Adams Elementary School! Please take a minute to read the following information regarding the first few days of school.

This year we welcome the following new professionals to Adams School:
Mrs. Kim Flodman – Grade 5
Ms. Sydney Mischnick – Grade 5
Ms. Morgan Sexton – Grade 3
Ms. Marisa Moseman – Grade 3
Ms. Mary Abebe - Computer Science
Some changes in assignment include:
Mrs. Jessica Voelker – Grade 2
Mrs. Sarah Ideus - Reading Intervention
Mrs. Brenda Carlow – Early Childhood
Mrs. Holly David – District Professional Learning Coach

Open House: Thursday, August 8
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Adams Elementary
• Practice arriving at school using the safest route
• Meet your new team of teachers
• Tour the building…find your classroom
• Return completed paperwork and deposit lunch money in the cafeteria
• Join the Adams Parent Teacher Organization (P.T.O.)
• Sign up for October/March parent/teacher conferences (bring your personal calendar)

First Day of School: Monday, August 12
7:00 a.m. – 8:05 a.m. Students attending Family Service School’s Out program arrive.
Breakfast will be served the first day of school.
7:45 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Breakfast is served in the cafeteria
8:05 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Students arrive that are not eating breakfast
• Kindergarten teachers will meet the students under the front porch.
• Students in grades 1, 2, 3 & 5 will enter the front doors and walk to their hallway to meet their teachers.
• Students in grade 4 will walk to the gym to meet their teachers.
8:15 a.m. School begins
1:33 p.m. School dismisses

School will dismiss early at 1:33 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday (August 12-14).

Regular School Hours begin Thursday, August 15
7:00 a.m. – 8:05 a.m. Students attending Family Service School’s Out program arrive.
7:45 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Students eating breakfast arrive and report to the cafeteria.
8:05 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Students arrive and go directly to their designated area to meet their teachers.
Kindergartners to the kindergarten commons area, grades 1, 2, 3 & 5 to their hallway, and 4th grade students to the gym.
8:15 a.m. School begins
2:53 p.m. School dismisses

Supervision begins at 8:05 a.m. Students should not be on the Adams campus prior to 8:05 a.m.
Dismissal Information
- 2:53 p.m. dismissal bell rings.
- All students are to leave the campus unless staying for a school sponsored activity.
- Parents are asked to wait outside the building for the children at dismissal. Students will be dismissed through the front doors of the school. Students will exit the south door to the buses and daycare vans.
- Teachers will wait with children outside until 2:58 p.m. Children not picked up by 2:58 p.m. will be escorted to the office. After 2:58, parents/guardians must come to the office to pick-up children and to sign them out.
- We ask that dogs are on a leash and kept off school property.

Late Pick-Ups
- Children will not be allowed to wait outside or go to cars without an adult coming to the main office to pick them up.

Traffic Flow Recommendations
- Please review the enclosed map provided by the City of Lincoln for the recommended pick-up and drop-off plan.
- Note the plan recommends one-way traffic flow for loading and unloading students.
- Please follow this plan. Staff will be outside to greet students and assist with traffic at 8:05 a.m. and at dismissal. We know the traffic will be heavy for a couple of weeks until everyone settles into a routine. We appreciate your patience as we begin the new year!
- To ensure safety, only buses and daycare vans will be allowed in the parking lot for drop-off and pick-up.

Communication: Wednesday Folder/Adams Advantage newsletter
The Adams Wednesday Folder will be utilized as our primary communication tool. While daily materials may still be sent home with your student, other pertinent information will be placed in your child's special Wednesday Folder. You can anticipate receiving the first folder the first week of school. Please be sure to empty the folder, go through the contents with your child, and return the folder the following day. The Adams Advantage newsletter will be sent electronically to all families.

Absences
In the event of an absence, we appreciate a call to our office at 402-436-1121. This not only helps us know who will be a part of our learning community for the day, but also serves as an extra safety precaution for you and your child. A parent will be called should a student be absent and is not called in.

Beginning of the Year Forms
Please feel free to bring in any school forms, such as the Student Information Update, Transportation, and/or Free or Reduced Lunch Applications as soon as you complete them. We appreciate processing these important student materials prior to the first day of school. If you did not receive a bus application for your student in the spring and your address is in the Adams busing area, please contact the office for application instructions.

Volunteers
We welcome your assistance at Adams School! Parents/guardians will have an opportunity to sign up for volunteering opportunities in early October. Sign up now to be a Level III volunteer. Level III allows you to go on field trips and help with any project in your child's class. Level III volunteers need to renew every 3 years. Watch Wednesday Folders for details.

As we look to the year ahead, please know that the staff at Adams wants to partner with you to make this a productive and successful year for your student(s). We are committed to academic excellence and meeting the needs of each student. If you have a concern about your child at anytime throughout the year, please contact your child's teacher, the assistant principal, or me.

Warmest regards,

Amy Clark
Principal