



Sima Thurman, Principal
Mill Street Elementary School

Dear Families:

Greetings and welcome to the start of the 2024-2025 school year! I am delighted to introduce myself as the new principal of Mill St. and I truly believe we are going to have an amazing year! The Mill Street staff are diligently preparing for your students' arrival! We look forward to the first day of classes on August 15th. This communication serves to provide you with details about the upcoming school year. Other important information can be found on our website by hovering your cursor over the "Our School" tab in the upper left hand corner and then clicking on the "2024-25 Back to School Update" tab in the drop down menu.

Tours:

To jump start the transition to our new school year, we are offering new family tours on August 9th from 9:00-11:00 am. Additionally, our Kindergarten students and families are invited to enjoy Popsicles on the Playground from 1:00-3:00 also on August 9th.

Back-to-School Ice Cream Social and Meet & Greet:

Join us for an afternoon filled with fun, food, and Andy's frozen custard on August 13th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm! It's a family affair where you can meet your child's teacher, reconnect with old friends, and make new ones too! Don't miss the chance to save time and money by purchasing your tickets in advance. Reduced pricing is through Friday, August 9th. Your tickets will be ready for pick-up at the will call table on the day of the event. Feeling lucky? Test your luck in our 50/50 raffle for a chance to win some extra cash. At our last ice cream social, Mill Street families took home over \$450 in winnings!

Classroom & Teacher Assignments:

Classroom and teacher assignments for kindergarten through fifth grade will be posted through Infinite Campus on Wednesday, August 7 at 3:00 p.m. Parents will access their child's classroom assignment via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Visit the District 203 website (<http://www.Naperville203.org>) and click on the Resources tab on the far right in the gray banner and then click on the Infinite Campus Parent Portal link on the right side. Follow the prompts to create your parent account. If you have difficulty with your account, contact the help desk by email at parentsupport@naperville203.org.

Bus Assignments:

All bus riders will be met by staff members at the start of the school year to guide children to their grade level classrooms. While transportation information can be accessed in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal (<http://www.Naperville203.org>) starting on August 7 at 3:00 p.m., please check back frequently, including the day before school starts, as changes can occur in routes, pick-up times, and/or drop-off times. If you need assistance regarding transportation information, call the Transportation Department at 630-420-6464.

School Supplies:

Families who ordered school supply kits this past spring and early summer, can expect their child's supplies to be delivered to their classrooms prior to the start of the year. Families who did not pre-order supplies can find a copy of our school supply lists on our website and in the weekly Mustang Minute newsletter that comes out each week on Monday morning via email.

First Day Arrival Procedures:

As we welcome our 600 plus students on the first day, staff will be assigned at the parent drive and bus lane to direct all students to their teachers. K-2 teachers will be stationed in the MPR/lunchroom and this is where our primary students will be directed. Our 3-5 teachers will be stationed in the gym and our intermediate students will meet the teachers there. We will follow this same procedure on our 2nd day of classes and then move to our typical arrival procedures the following week. Staff will have name signs to help students identify them. Please work with your students to ensure they know their teacher's name as they arrive and staff will direct them to their assigned teacher.

Communication:

We will send weekly communication in the form of the Mustang Minute Newsletter. If you have questions as we begin the news school year, please contact the school office at (630) 420-6353 and the appropriate staff member will be happy to respond to your inquiry.

Ms. Thurman