August 9, 2023

Dear Spring Creek Student and Parents,

It seems that summer is going faster and faster and our summer vacation is slipping by so quickly. We’ll be back in school before we know it. We have been working hard to have everything ready for you here at Spring Creek Middle School, and we are getting anxious to welcome you back. Our focus at Spring Creek is on student learning. We believe it is vital that students do their best academically every day. This is done by helping students develop a growth mindset, complete assignments, be engaged in classes, and put forth their best efforts. This year is going to be the best! Please read this letter carefully. It will answer many questions you may have.

Our theme this year is “Building Bridges; Growing through Connections”. Our goal is to create a strong community. Strong communities have members who have shared goals and purpose, who feel empowered to contribute, who trust in one another, who feel understood and capable as individuals. These attributes enable teamwork, cooperation, a willingness to negotiate, and the ability to draw on one another’s skills. How will you as a student be a part of “Building Bridges” as a Spring Creek Eagle? What goals and habits will you need to have to create connections? How far will you go? How will you excel? What can be the results of your efforts?

We are so excited to welcome everyone back to school and we hope that we can make the process as easy and convenient as possible. Almost all the business items you need to do to get started for the school year can be accomplished online. Start by visiting our school web page (go to www.ccsdut.org and select Spring Creek from the ‘Choose your school’ icon in the top right-hand corner, or go to https://www.ccsdut.org/springcreek). Please watch our Welcome Back video it can be found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QXuuHSwP1MY or click on the web page link. Links on our website will also enable you to:

- **Pay Fees & Lunch Money** - You will be able to see a list of fees, access fee waivers, and pay school fees using a credit card. Also, you can pay lunch money, and/or fill out a free or reduced lunch application.
- **Access PowerSchool** - This is the website where students and parents can see schedules, grades, locker information, etc. This is also where parents can fill out emergency contact information and set up how and when they would like to receive notifications on their child’s grades and attendance.
- **Get School Information** - A school map, bell schedule, information on picture day, school calendar and the student handbook will all be available on the website.

We will be having 2 “open house” style events on **Tuesday, August 15th from 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and Thursday, August 17th from 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.** During our “open houses,” students and parents can come to the school, look around, walk the halls, visit classrooms, and practice your locker combination. We will also be selling Spring Creek shirts and sweatshirts during these events.

If you have not completed the previously mentioned business items online, during the open house you will also be able to get a copy of your schedule, with locker information, pay school fees and lunch money, fill out an emergency card, and get PowerSchool passwords (Warning - Sometimes the lines to complete these items can be long. That is why we encourage you to complete them online). Students who are new to Spring Creek, please come to one of our “open house” scheduled times, and spend some time getting to know your new school. There will be a lot of staff members here at that time to meet you and answer your questions.
For parents and students unable to make it on our open house days, we will have a make-up student open house day on Tuesday, August 22, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Just a reminder that all 7th grade students and students who are new to Cache County School District will need to provide proof of immunizations. Most students need a TDAP, a second varicella (chicken pox), and a Meningococcal vaccine to comply. This is a state mandate, so please arrange for it, if needed. We have also scheduled CNS on Tuesday August 15th from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. during our open house to give immunizations if needed. If you have questions, please call the office.

The first day of school for all students will be Thursday, August 24th. This day is a regular day of school. Please be here, ready to go by 8:00 a.m. in your 1st period class. Your first hour teacher will answer any questions that you may have about being a student in the best middle school in the state! We will have a short virtual orientation meeting at 9:52 that you will view with your 2nd period class. School will dismiss on Monday through Thursday at 2:45 p.m., and at 1:30 p.m. on Fridays.

You can find your bus schedule by logging on to the Cache District web site www.ccsdut.org. At the home page select the bus icon. Input your address and then select Spring Creek Middle School and whether you want a.m. or p.m. bus stops.

If you need to drop your student off at school between 7:30-8:00 a.m. or pick your student up between 2:15-2:45 p.m., please do so either at the north-unloading zone located on the north side of the building or in the east parking lot. It is very dangerous for parents to drive into the west parking lot during the above times since buses are loading or unloading.

We look forward to greeting each one of you at Spring Creek. We are proud of the high standards that you bring to our school. Please come prepared with a positive attitude and enjoy a great new year with us. If you have any questions, call us at the school (435)753-6200.

Sincerely,

Blair Powell, Principal

Andy Lund, Vice Principal