Along with arrival and dismissal, many are wondering about recess time this year.  We will have a similar recess schedule to last year, however, the turf is inaccessible during the school day and the large play structure has been removed as it is in the construction zone.  ***Note that car and bus pickup and drop off procedures will not change this year.***

**Students in grades K-2** will have recess in the courtyard between the K wing and the grade 1/2 wing.  There is a small paved area, the small play structure, and a large grassy area leading up to the Kapok tree for students to play outdoors.  At arrival time, K-2 students will report to this play area.  If they arrive via car, bus, or the Lincoln St. crosswalk, they will walk around the PK building to the K-2 playground.  If they arrive via the footbridge, they will enter the glass hallway doors and report to the K-2 playground via the grade 1/2 hallway.

**Students in grades 3-5** will have recess in the courtyard between the technology lab wing and the grade 4/5 wing.  The area has been cleared and will be paved with basketball hoops installed, although this might not be ready for the first day of school.  I am working with PTO to add other things for the kids to do out there…contact [mmptopres@gmail.com](mailto:mmptopres@gmail.com) if you are willing to donate time, labor, or materials.  At arrival time, 3-5 students will report to this play area.  If they arrive via car, bus, or the Lincoln St. crosswalk, they will walk through the front door to the glass hallway doors to access the grade 3-5 play area.  If they arrive via the footbridge, they will report directly to the grade 3-5 play area.

Note: Students may arrive at 8:05 AM for before school recess.  Students arriving after 8:18 AM will report directly to class.  Please do not release students from cars or allow them to arrive before 8:05 AM as there is no supervision before 8:05 AM

Thank you!

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