**Niagara Street**

Elementary School

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**Building Dreams, Minds & Futures**

Parent Handbook 2017-2018

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**W e l c o m e**

**Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students:**

 We are very excited about beginning another school year at Niagara Street Elementary School. Our school provides your child access to the newest technology and best instructional practices. This handbook contains many of the school’s procedures, rules and policies, for the 2017-2018 school year.

Communication with parents is critical. We communicate with parents in many ways. They include:

* Niagara Street Monthly Newsletter
* Niagara Street Homepage
* Niagara Street Facebook
* Niagara Street App
* Niagara Street “All Calls” from the Principal
* Remind.com

Included in our monthly newsletter will be a calendar for the month with important dates and dismissal times for your reference. **We highly recommend that you refer to our NSS school homepage, facebook, and APP for the most op-to-date information about Niagara Street Elementary School.**

 It is our hope that this school year will be enjoyable and academically successful for all of our students through an “active” partnership between home and school. We all must be involved in our children’s education. Please do not hesitate to contact an administrator, teacher, or staff member with questions or concerns or to offer assistance.

 Wishing you a wonderful and successful year.

Sincerely,

**Mr. Merino**

***\*Go to www.nfschools.net\****

***Look under “Schools”***

***Click and drag down to NIAGARA STREET SCHOOL.***

***Daily Schedule***

 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:45 am - 3:00 pm

 Tuesday 8:45 am - 2:00 pm

 **Thursday, June 21, 2018- Last Day for Classes with an 11:55 am dismissal.**

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 **Niagara Street Elementary School**

 **Staff List 2017 - 2018**

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| **Staff Member** | **Position** | **Room Number** |
| C. Manzell | Secretary | Main Office |
| L. Diodate | Secretary | Main Office |
| D. Zona | Pre K | 129 |
| M. DePalma | Pre K | 131 |
| C. Walaszak | K | 125 |
| C. Jones | K | 127 |
| R. Aversa | K  | 128 |
| J. Everts | K | 130 |
| J. Aceti  | 1 CT | 203 |
| K. Piccirillo | 1 | 208 |
| R. Dunlap | 1 | 205 |
| M. Ranieri | 1 | 207 |
| L. Valvo | 2 | 209 |
| N. Sarkees | 2 | 210 |
| A.Andreana | 2 | 200 |
| T. Sahagian  | 2 CT | 211 |
| T. Zaker | 3 CT | 212 |
| E. Kladke | 3 | 214 |
| L. Thompson | 3 CT | 213 |
| A.Ruffolo | 4 CT | 305 |
| T. Ligammare | 4 | 307 |
| J. Fronczak | 4 CT | 309 |
| D. Weiss | 5 CT | 308 |
| S. Critelli | 5 | 310 |
| S. Peters | 5 CT | 312 |
| L. LeBlanc | 6 | 313 |
| T. Chandler | 6 CT | 314 |
| N. Ofokansi | 6 CT | 315 |
| T. Gibb | Consultant Teacher | 311 |
| D. Jasek | Consultant Teacher | 120 |
| D. Jeckovich | Consultant Teacher | 120, 117 |
| C. Magnuson | Consultant Teacher | 207 |
| K. Sillett | Special Class | 124 |
| J. LePage | Special Class | 126 |
| S. Marcolini | Speech | 113 |
| A.Petrozzi-Burgess | Speech | 118 |
| C. Bley | Art | 300 |
| K. Gawron | Vocal Music | 302 |
| **Staff** | **Position** | **Room Number** |
| M. Kofahl | Vocal Music | 302 |
| C. Custode | Band | Stage |
|  |  |  |
| M. Corsaro | Dean | 116 |
| C. Murgia | Dean | 115 |
| A.Vail | School Counselor (3 – 6) | 123 |
| M. DiGregorio | School Counselor (Pre K – 2) | 123 |
| M. Hurtt | Teaching Assistant/PEP | 115 |
| C. Asklar | Teaching Assistant/PEP | 115 |
| V. Sanchez | Teaching Assistant/PEP | 115 |
| J. Fotunate | Teaching Assistant/PEP | 115 |
| M. Meranto | Psychologist | 114 |
| R. Forgione | Pupil Service Assistant | Main Office, 114 |
| J. Bellonte | Instructional Coach | 303 |
| D. Cudahy | Instructional Coach | 202A |
| M. Roberts | Berkshire Farms Counselor | C125 |
| E. Radnovich | Gateway- Longview Counselor | 108 |
|  |  |  |
| J. Donoughe | Teaching Assistant | 120 |
| J. Ceretto | Teaching Assistant | 120 |
| A.Biro | Teaching Assistant | 207 |
| J. Jacob | Physical Education  | PE Office 118 |
| M. Thompson | Physical Education | PE Office 118 |
| E. Janese | Nurse | Clinic/103 |
| R. Rubin | Clinic Associate | Clinic |
| M. Bradley | Library Associate | Library |
| N. Smith | Technology Associate | 303 |
| C. Cafarella | Custodian | C104 |
| Focus on Families | FOF | C127 |
| OT/PT |  | Auditorium |

 **Niagara Street Elementary School**

 **Support Staff Responsibilities**

 **278-5860**

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| **Staff** | **Title** | **Responsibilities** |
| Michael Corsaro | Dean of Students | Maintain a positive and safe school climate* Administer discipline consequences to students
* Student Conflict Resolution
* Bully Issues
* Suspension hearings
* District Code of Conduct questions (dress code, etc)
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| Christopher Murgia | Dean of Students | Maintain a positive and safe school climate* Administer discipline consequences to students
* Student Conflict Resolution
* Bully Issues
* Suspension hearings
* District Code of Conduct questions (dress code, etc)
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| Amanda Vail | School Counselor | Grades 3 - 6* Individual Counseling
* Small Group counseling
* Character Education
* Crisis Intervention
* Conflict Resolution
* Referral to outside counseling
* Monitor student attendance
* Backpack Program Coordinator
 |
| Michele DiGregorio | School Counselor | Grades Pre K - 2* Individual Counseling
* Small Group counseling
* Character Education
* Crisis Intervention
* Conflict Resolution
* Referral to outside counseling
* Monitor student attendance
 |
| Maria Meranto | School Psychologist | Committee on Special Education Questions* Screen and evaluate referred children
* Facilitate Committee on Special Education meetings
* Consult with parents, teachers, and other appropriate staff regarding the
* child’s program and any adaptations/materials needed to facilitate

improved performance in the classroom or at home* Maintain appropriate data on students to document current levels of performance and other pertinent information.
* Facilitate (Student Teacher Action Response) START meetings
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| Rick Forgione | Pupil Service Assistant | Special Education Questions* Communicate, distribute, and collect Special Education documentation
* Schedule Committee on Special Education meetings
* Attend and take minutes at CSE meetings
* Collection and management of Special Education paperwork
* Box Top Collection
* School Homepage & App
 |
| Linda Granto | Senior School Monitor | Transportation (Bus) Questions* Bus routes, pick up, drop off
* Breakfast and Lunch Program questions
 |
| Deanna Cudahy  | Instructional Language Arts Coach | Questions regarding Reading or writing* Analyze student data
* Provide professional development
* Support student achievement and learning
* Collaborate with teachers
* Discuss Language Arts curriculum and strategies for students
 |
| Janine Bellonte | Math Coach | Questions regarding Math* Analyze student data
* Provide professional development
* Support student achievement and learning
* Collaborate with teachers
* Discuss Math curriculum and strategies for students
 |
| Richard Dunning | School Safety Officer | School Safety Issues |
| MaryEllen Bradley | Library | Library Books, Scholastic Book Fair questions  |
| Carol Manzell | SchoolSecretary | * Assist parents as needed
* Connect parents to the appropriate staff members
* Clerical duties as assigned by the administrative team
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| TBD | School Secretary | * Assist parents as needed
* Connect parents to the appropriate staff members
* Clerical duties as assigned by the administrative team
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| Erin Janese | School Nurse | Student Health & Wellness |
| Diane Bianco | AssistantPrincipal | School safety, questions about teachers, instruction questions, test/assessment questions, general questions. |
| Rocco Merino | Principal | School safety, questions about teachers, instruction questions, test/assessment questions, student classroom placement, general questions. |

**INSERT: School Event Calendar**

# Attendance Requirements

Regular attendance is important for success in school. Parents should make every effort to have their child in

school, rested and ready for work. Only illness, emergency, medical or dental reasons should keep a child from attending school. A student must bring a note for the absence as required by State Attendance Policy.

Tardiness is also a serious problem since work and assignments are missed. Parents should stress with their children the importance of arriving to school on time, ready to work.

**Attendance Policy**

**Absence:** It is expected that students will attend school daily and punctually, unless there is a serious reason.

 **Legal Absence Sickness**

 **Sickness or death in the family**

 **Quarantine**

**Attendance at health clinic, etc**

 **Illegal Absence Visiting relatives**

**Vacation**

**Baby-sitting**

**Oversleeping, etc.**

* **Call the school if your child will be absent or tardy - 278-5860.**
* **Send in a written excuse when your child returns to school.**
* An absence without a written excuse will be considered an illegal absence.
* The School will contact the home when a child has been absent over a period of time and the school has not been notified.
* If a medical appointment is necessary during the school day and the child will report to school when finished, please send in a written note to the classroom teacher the day before the appointment so that the child will not be charged with an absence or tardiness.
* If a child must leave school early for an appointment, a note must be presented for signature in the school office.

**Tardy:**

* **When your child is tardy, he/she should report to the office before going to class.**
* **A written note must be sent to the school with an explanation for tardiness.**
* **Parents will be contacted in instances of recurring tardiness.**

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS/TELEPHONE:**

**IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT EVERY STUDENT MAINTAIN AN UP-TO-DATE ADDRESS AND WORKING TELEPHONE NUMBER IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE.**

**NOTIFY THE SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR TELPHONE NUMBER.**

 **ALSO, PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOUR WORK PLACE AND WORK NUMBER CHANGES.**

 **It is also extremely important that we have an emergency name and phone number. Please call the school if your emergency contact and telephone number have changed.**

# Expectations

**Behavior and Attitudes**

Good discipline originates in the home. The parent is the first teacher of his/her child and should develop in him/her good behavior habits and proper attitudes toward school. A parent should:

1. recognize that the teacher takes the place of the parent while the child is in school.
2. teach the child respect for law, authority, the rights of others, and for private and public property.
3. arrange for prompt and regular school attendance and comply with attendance rules and procedures.
4. work with the school in carrying out recommendations made in the best interest of the child, including discipline.

**Student Expectations\*\*\***

As a Student of Niagara Street School **I will...**

**Be respectful** to all adults and children in our building.

**Be on time** for school every day.

**Be prepared** for school every day.

**Be responsible** for my behavior at school and in my community.

**\*\*\*If you have any questions concerning student expectations/discipline, please contact Mr. Merino, Mr.**

**Corsaro or Mr. Murgia at 278-5860.**

# Building Procedures

**For The Safety of Your Child**

**If your child does not participate in the breakfast program, please plan his/her arrival at school no earlier than 8:45 am.** Our teachers will be in their classrooms and ready to greet them at that time.

Please observe the NO PARKING and NO STANDING regulations around the building before school and at dismissal.

**School Procedures**

1. At 8:45 am a bell will ring at which time children will enter through their ASSIGNED doors which are listed at the end of this section.
2. Upon entering, children are to go directly to their own classrooms.
3. All school doors will be locked after 9:00 am. Children arriving after 9:00 am must use the main door #3 in the east parking lot.
4. Bus children will go directly into the building upon arrival.
5. Dismissal time is 3:00 pm on all days EXCEPT TUESDAY, when students are dismissed at 2:00 pm. Each teacher dismisses his/her class at its assigned time from the same door each day.
6. All bus children are dismissed between 2:45 pm and 3:00 pm. There are no late buses.
7. Children are not to re-enter the building after they are dismissed by their teacher.
8. No child is to leave the building without the knowledge of his/her teacher and the office.
9. Children who are excused during the school day must report to the office. **AN ADULT MUST PICK UP THE STUDENT AT THE OFFICE.** Student will be called to office once an adult arrives.
10. **No smoking or drugs on premises. No dogs on premises.**

**Entrances/Exits**

Breakfast students enter through Doors 1 or 5 between 8:25 and 8:45am.

Pre K Enter/exit through Door 5: Rooms 129 and 131 Kindergarten will enter at door 1; exit at door 7;

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| Grade 1 will enter at door 1; exit at door 1. | Grade 2 will enter at door 1; exit at door 1. |
| Grade 3 will enter at door 1; exit at door 3; | Grade 4 will enter at door 1; exit at door 4; |
| Grade 5 will enter at door 1; exit at door 3. | Grade 6 will enter at door 1; exit at door 3.  |

**NOTE:** Grades that have PE or music at 2:15pm will exit at door 7, with the exception of primary grades. **NOTE:** Students may enter through doors 1 and 5 until 9am. At 9am, doors 1 and 5 will be locked and students will need to enter through door 3 to receive a late pass. Bus students will enter and exit through door 1 and proceed to breakfast or assigned area. **For the safety of all students, parents will not be allowed to wait (sitting and standing) in the building during students’ entrance at dismissal & lunch times.**

**Health Services**

**School Nurse – Erin Janese**

**Clinic Phone Number 278-5863**

A registered nurse is assigned to each health office to assist pupils and parents with health concerns. In case of accidents or illness, parents may be required to pick up a student from school. Parents need to leave updated home, work and emergency phone numbers with the school nurse and main office.

**IMMUNIZATIONS**: All students must be immunized according to New York Public Health Law. Laws change frequently. Effective January 1, 2005, Varicella immunization or Health Care Provider written documented disease history is required for all students born on or after January 1, 1994 and who enroll in the 6th grade at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year. Varicella is also required for all students born on or after 1/1/2000 who are entering day care, Pre-K and all students entering Kindergarten. (Please note: Parents recall of the disease history cannot be accepted as proof of immunity). All students entering the 7th grade must be vaccinated against Hepatitis B. All children born after 1/1/2005 entering any day care or any school program must be immunized against pertussis. STUDENTS NOT IMMUNIZED ACCORDING TO LAW WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER SCHOOL. **Please note: It is the parent’s/guardian’s responsibility to pick up medicine prior to the end of the school year.**

**MEDICATIONS and MEDICAL SERVICES:** The State Education Department mandates that schools shall not administer medications or perform special medical services without health care provider authorization. NO MEDICATION WILL BE GIVEN DURING SCHOOL HOURS without written consent of the parent and written prescriber’s authorization. All medication is to be furnished by the parent in a properly labeled original container from the pharmacy and must be brought to the school health office by the parent or guardian, never by the child. As of April 2002, there are new guidelines and school procedures for students who are considered non-self-directed when taking oral, topical or inhalant medications or receive treatment off school grounds or after school hours while participating in a school-sponsored activity. The school nurse will contact parents/guardians when this procedure applies. New York State Education Law amended September 29, 2005 mandates that school physicals be given to all students who are in grades 2, 4, 7, & 10 and new entrants. If you prefer to have your health care provider complete this examination, please have him or her complete the attached Physical Examination form and return it to the school health office prior to school scheduled examinations. (For exact dates check with the school nurse after Sept 1). Any health care provider physical completed after Sept. 1, 2017 will be accepted. If this form is completed and returned to school your child will not participate in school physicals. **In accordance with New York State law, the District Nurse Practitioners will provide physicals for students who do not return a completed physical form.**

**Physical Education**

Students go to Physical Education class twice a week. Physical Education classes will be 40 minutes long for secondary students; 30 minutes long for primary students. For the comfort and safety of your child, please be sure he/she wears appropriate clothing and sneakers to physical education class.

The Niagara Falls School District offers a skills progression button program. The requirements for each level will be explained to students. **NO JEWELRY WILL BE WORN DURING PE.**

**GYM**

**BLUE - Beginner Level**

**SILVER - Intermediate Level**

**GOLD - Advanced Level Excuses:**

If a child is to be excused from a swim or gym class due to minor illness or injury, please send a note stating the date and reason with a parent/ guardian signature, to the school nurse's office the morning he/she is to be excused. A maximum of two parental requests in succession is acceptable. Any lengthy illness or injury should be accompanied by a physician’s note.

**Breakfast/Lunch Program**

Breakfast and lunch are available free of charge to all students each school day.

**Breakfast**: Breakfast is served daily from 8:25 am until 8:45 am. In order to receive a federally funded breakfast, a new application for each child must be completed each year.

**Milk will be available for .50¢ (whole, 2% or chocolate), and ice cream is available for .75¢.**

*NOTE: Above prices are subject to change pending Board approval.*

*NOTE: Students will not be allowed to have food or drinks in the classrooms, with the exception of primary grades, who may have daily healthy snacks, special classroom treats, and class parties. It is suggested that special classroom treats be store bought items due to allergens in homemade ingredients.*

**School Standards**

The Quality Environment at Niagara Street Supports:

* Safety for the entire school community
* Meaningful, productive learning activities which support the most effective use of time
* Warm, caring, trusting relationships
* Self-evaluation and continuous improvements through the use of rubics and articulated standards
* A unified community of students, parents, and staff

**Standards for the Entire School Community**

A Safe Community

* Movement outside the classroom is purposeful and orderly, maintaining respect for the learning environment
* Students and staff are responsible for taking care of school property

Meaningful, Productive Learning ACTIVITIES

* Activities are relevant and useful
* Activities establish a connection to the real world
* Activities are well-communicated to students/parents
* We possess learning tools essential to school (electronic devices and toys are not allowed).

A warm, caring, trusting environment

* We treat people the way we want to be treated
* We use appropriate, respectful language, refraining from verbal threats.

 **Student Pick Up, Release,& Visitors**

**Student Pick Up**

 All students need to be picked up from school promptly by 3:00 pm each day (2:00 pm on Tuesdays). Any students that are not picked up will be brought to the student cafeteria to wait until a parent/guardian arrives.

*\*\*Please be advised that the Niagara Falls Police Department and Niagara County Child Protective Services (CPS) will be called should a student not be picked up by a parent after school by 3:00pm. Please call school and notify us if you have an emergency situation and you are not able to pick your child up for some reason.*

**EARLY STUDENT RELEASE**

Parent/Guardian authorization is required for any student leaving school at times other than the normal dismissal time. Persons picking up a student during the school day must report to the office and sign the student out; **they may not go directly to the classroom**. Identification, such as a driver’s license or photo ID, will be required to sign a student out of school. Only persons who are listed on the registration form or on the emergency release form may sign a student out. Students will be called down once the parent arrives. If parents desire to have someone else sign their child out, they must forward written notification to the school of the date and time of the dismissal change. The name and relationship of the person picking up the student is to be included. Without prior notification, no child will be released early to anyone other than a parent or guardian. **NO STUDENT**, under any circumstance, is to leave school or school grounds without being officially excused. This is for the protection of all our students and we appreciate your support and cooperation.

**School Safety and Visitors**

Safety is our top priority at Niagara Street. All visitors to our school must report directly to the main office, identify themselves, and sign in. We do not allow parents or other visitors access to any area of the school without permission, and a guest pass sticker. We ask that parents never attempt to enter school and proceed to any area of the school without permission.

**Niagara Street Evacuation Site**

The evacuation site for Niagara Street Elementary School is **Christ Redemption Tabernacle** at 339- 22nd Street. All students would walk over to the evacuation site with their teachers should we ever need to evacuate Niagara Street for any reason. Parents will be contacted if we needed to remain at the evacuation site for an extended period of time.

**District** **Delayed Start Plan**

The purpose of a delayed start to schools is **to allow time for weather and/or work conditions to change** so that school attendance is possible. A delayed start to the school day may allow for temperatures to rise in the morning or to allow more time for roads, sidewalks, and/or lots to be cleared. The determination of this will be made by the Superintendent of Schools.

If a delayed start is called, schools will start accordingly:

* Elementary 10:45 a.m. (8:45 a.m. normal start)
* Prep 9:35 a.m. (7:35 a.m. normal start)
* NFHS 10:15 a.m. (8:15 a.m. normal start)

**Dismissal times will remain the same as any usual school day, per division.**

* **All staff will follow their normal work day schedules including report to work time**
* After a delayed start opening, each levels will determine how the remainder of the day will be structured
* Out of District bussing will continue at normal times
* A.M. BOCES will report to NFHS and be supervised until classes begin. **Additional substitutes may be needed.**
* Parochial schools will follow the District schedule
* Teacher compensation for loss of planning time will not be granted
* Schools will offer a continental type breakfast, lunches will be served at the usual times
* Key delayed start information will be printed on the student bus schedules and will be printed on bus cards in Grades PreK-8
* A communication plan will be established to inform all stakeholders

**School Closings**

If school must be closed because of bad weather or other emergencies, parents and students will be notified in the early morning, or if possible, the evening before. Please check for local media announcements, the District web site, or the District App for announcements.

**Niagara Street School**

**Reminder**

Student Appearance Code

The Niagara Falls School Community believes that the students’ appearance should **at all** **times be appropriate** for school and school functions. The student’s individual dress and appearance is primarily the responsibility of the student and his/her parents.

* **Headgear**- No headgear should not be worn in the building or classroom except for a medical or religious purpose.
* **Footwear-** Shoes or sneakers must be worn at all times. Certain footwear that poses a hazard **will not be allowed**. **(Examples include flip flops and sandals without straps.)** \***Sandals must have a strap behind the foot**.
* **Clothing-** Extremely brief garments such as tube tops, net tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps and plunging necklines are not appropriate and may not be worn. All fashions should be **no more than three inches above the top of the knee** when the student is in a standing position. All articles which advertise, display or represent items depicting such themes as alcoholic beverages, tobacco, items with abusive, suggestive, controversial or gang-related themes or colors are prohibited. **All underwear must be completely covered** with outer clothing and all apparel should be fastened appropriately and worn as designed. During the school day, all coats, hats, jackets, scarves, backpacks, gym bags.
* **Electronic Devices-** Cell phones, and other electronic equipment of any kind are to be kept in lockers and deactivated.
* **Bags-** Back packs, duffle bags, draw string bags, etc are permitted to be carried to and from school, and to Physical Education. Bags are not permitted within the classroom.
* **Any other mode of dress or personal appearance not covered by the above, which is dangerous, disruptive, distracting and/or disturbing to the progress of the education program or activity, is prohibited.**

 

 **Breakfast and Lunch Program**

Breakfast and lunch are available free of charge to all Niagara Street students each day.

**Breakfast-** Breakfast is served daily from **8:25am until 8:45am** in the student cafeteria. In order to receive a federally funded breakfast, a new application needs to be completed by the parent/guardian for every child each year.

**Lunch-** Each class receives 30 minutes for lunch each day. All students eat lunch in the student cafeteria. Students do have the option of purchasing ice cream for .75.

**Allergies-** Please send in a note to our school nurse immediately should your child have any allergies that we should be aware of.

NIAGARA STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**Baked Goods Policy**

The Niagara Street School Quality Council (SQC) has instituted a Baked Goods Policy for our school. The policy became necessary due to health concerns brought to our attention, as there are a number of children in our school who have specific food allergies. To comply with the Niagara Falls City School District’s Wellness Policy.

 The policy requires that only store bought items, preferably with ingredients listed, be brought to school for parties and classroom celebrations.

![MC900439769[1]]()

The following is a guide to assist you

in purchasing items to send to school

![MC900439865[1]]()

for classroom consumption

and is not meant to limit your choices.

**However, any item with any kind**

**of nuts or peanut butter**

**is not allowed!**

**Please call the school at 278-5860 if you have any questions.**

**Suggested Treats**

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| * **Pretzels**
 | * **Ice cream sandwiches/cups**
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| * **Baked Potato Chips, Cheetos, or Doritos**
 | * **Freeze-pops**
 |
| * **Sun Chips**
 | * **Granola bars**
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| * **Pre-packaged cookies**
 | * **Rice Crispy Treats**
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| * **Cupcakes from Tops/Sam’s Club/Walmart**
 | * **Animal Crackers**
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| * **Healthy snacks (ex. packaged apple slices)**
 | * **Store packaged popcorn**
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***As always, students should never have hard candy or small suckers that could get stuck in their throats.***

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| * **A new pencil for each child**
 | * **Fun pads**
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| * **Stickers**
 | * **Erasers**
 |
| * **Donating a book to your child’s class with his/her name in it with the occasion for celebration**
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 ***The Baked Goods Policy will be sent home at the beginning of each new school year. Please remember this policy includes treats for holiday parties and other school events. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.***

**Niagara Street Student Clubs**



We have a wide variety of clubs that intermediate students can get involved in at Niagara Street. Our goal is to find out each and every students interests. Student involvement in school clubs also has proven to improve attendance in school. We encourage every student to get involved in a club. Each club coordinator will send home permission slips to parents about their club. It will include meeting dates, times, projects, etc. Please feel free to reach out to them at **278-5860** to learn more about the specific club that your child may be interested in.

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| **Student Clubs** | **Coordinator** |
| Student Council | Mrs. Vail |
| Running Club | Mr. Jacob |
| Swim Club | Mr. Jacob |
| Garden Club | Mrs. Andreana |
| Basketball Club | Mr. LeBlanc |
| Broadcasting/Media Club | Miss Sillett & Miss LePage |
| Art & Sewing Club | Mrs. Bley |
| STEM Music Club | Miss Gawron |
| Service Learning Club | Ms. DiGregorio |
| Meditation Club | Miss Bley |
| Baking Club | Miss Aversa & Miss Everts |
| Magic Club | Mr. Donoughe |
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**Focus On Families**

Focus on Families maintains an office at Niagara Street in room C127 near the auditorium. FOM offers various parenting workshops and activities throughout the school year that include Story Hour, Parent Book Club, Computer Training, and workshops by Cornell Cooperative Extension. FOM also provides assistance and support to families in need. **Please call Margaret Mozell at 278-5860 or 807-8902 for additional information.**

INSERT: NS Parent Group

INSERT: Cell Phone Policy

NIAGARA STREET SCHOOL

**ENTRANCE/EXITS**

**2017-2018**

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| **GRADE** | **ENTER** | **EXIT** |
| **Pre-Kindergarten** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** | **Door #7****(Back Parking Lot)** |
| **Kindergarten** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** | **Door #7****(Back Parking Lot)** |
| **Grade 1** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** |
| **Grade 2** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** |
| **Grade 3** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** | **Door #3****(Niagara Street)** |
| **Grade 4** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** | **Door #4****(Welch Avenue)** |
| **Grade 5** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** | **Door #3****(Main Parking Lot)** |
| **Grade 6** | **Door #1****(Niagara Street)** | **Door #2****(Niagara Street)** |

**Please Note: Classes that have Physical Education at 2:15 PM will exit at Door #1. Students may enter through Door #1 until 9:00 AM. At 9:00 AM, Door #1 will be locked and students will need to enter through Door #3 (main parking lot) to receive tardy pass.**

**\*All bus students should be dismissed by the Special Area Teacher at 2:50 PM (M,W,T,F) and 1:45 PM (Tues.).**

**\*Bus students will be dropped off in the morning and picked up in the afternoon on Welch Avenue at Door #6.**



**Niagara Street Elementary School Partners**

**A big thank you to all of our local partners.**

HOPE Club

The Francis Center

Italian Son’s & Daughters of America

Mike’s Dairy Queen

Niagara Street Area Business Association

Niagara Street Tire

Zajac Funeral Home

Ponderosa Steak House

Piccirillo Florist

LaSalle Contracting

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INSERT: Community Services Director