

October 17, 2017

Dear Families of Notre Dame:

It is that time of year when students and parents are busily planning costumes and parties to celebrate Halloween. It is a joyous time for students to build positive memories with their classmates. To assist with the planning, we are providing a guideline while celebrating in school.

As we did last year, students are dressing in costumes in the afternoon, and participating in a school wide parade. We ask that families follow the guidelines below to assist in a happy, safe, and fun day for all students.

- Students are permitted to wear their costumes in the afternoon only. If your child requires support to get into their costume, you are welcome to come to the school to support them at 12:50. A simple version of their costume is also acceptable, to make the changing process easier on you and your child.
- We are a fear friendly school, as we have a student population with an
  average age of 4 12 year olds. Please do not send any costumes that
  promote the use of violence, weapons, and blood (please leave toy guns,
  swords, knives, etc... at home). School administration reserves the right
  to ask students to remove any inappropriate costumes.
- Students are permitted to wear breathable, safe masks, as long as they do not appear violent.
- At 1:25 p.m., the whole school population will gather in the gymnasium to parade their costumes in front of one another. Parents are welcome to come and watch. Please note, this can be a very crowded event, but it is fun for all.
- Teachers will be communicating with parents regarding the celebration that will take place in the classrooms following the parade.

Thank you for supporting us in order to ensure that all students build fun memories for Halloween this year.

Kind Regards,

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