



WOODBIDGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Mary Panko
Principal
Avenel Street School #4&5

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Dear Parents/Guardians/Students,

On behalf of the Avenel Street School Family, it is truly my pleasure to extend a warm and heartfelt welcome as we begin the 2026-2027 school year!

Prior to the first day of school, please fill out the necessary forms that can be located in the Genesis Parent Portal. On Wednesday, August 26 at 1:00 PM, Genesis Parent Portal will open for you to find your child's teacher for September. Students in Grade 4 and Grade 5 will follow a departmentalized schedule. All logistical school information will come from whomever is listed as the Homeroom teacher.

Breakfast

Starting on September 2, 2026, any student who is a walker and receives breakfast may enter the school at Door #1 at 8:35 AM to eat their breakfast in the cafeteria. Once the morning bell rings at 8:45 AM, students will go directly to their classes. There will be supervision in the cafeteria while students are eating their breakfast. Bus students will have the opportunity to have breakfast in school.

Medication

All medication in school MUST be administered by the school nurse. Students are not to have medication in their possession at any time during the school day. Any questions, call Nurse Kelly at 732 602-8504 (press #3).

Release of Students

Be sure to send a note, or call the Main Office at 732 602-8504 (press #4) **no later than 2:45 pm**, if someone other than the individuals listed as a Genesis Parent Portal contact will be picking up your child or children. The individual should be prepared to show photo identification, such as a driver's license, when arriving at school. All visitors, at all times, must report to the front door of the school with proper ID, no exceptions. *All changes in telephone numbers or addresses must be reported to the Main Office.

Arrival

School begins promptly at 9:05 AM and ends at 3:30 PM. The opening bell rings at 8:45 AM, and the outside doors will close at 9:00 AM. Students coming to school after 9:00 AM should report to Door #1, accompanied by a parent. Only breakfast students are permitted to enter the building before 8:45 AM. Students are not allowed to be unattended on school grounds, prior to the start of the school day. Please arrange for before school care.

On the first day of school, September 2nd, all students will enter the building via an assigned grade level door. Once inside, staff members will assist them to a specific location, where they will meet their teacher. Their room number along with their teacher's name will be visible so students know where to line up. These are also the doors they will be dismissed from.

Door #14: Kindergarten, Grade 4, and Grade 5
(Drop Off Loop)

Ms. Egri
Ms. Nunziato
Ms. Pietrangelo
Ms. Jones
Ms. Martin
Ms. Prestridge
Ms. Morris
Ms. Perez
Ms. Siswo

Door #9: Grade 1, Grade 2, and Grade 3
(Next to Cafeteria)

Ms. Barrieros
Ms. Sager
Ms. Mangelli
Ms. Reilly
Ms. Robson
Ms. Derewsky
Ms. Kutcher
Ms. Pagano

Traffic Patterns

The roadway to enter the front of the Avenel Street School will only be accessible to staff cars and buses between 8:15AM - 9:15AM and 2:45PM - 3:45 PM. You cannot drive through during these times to drop off or pick up your child(ren). The parking spaces along the roadway are for staff only. A permit is required. If you have a meeting at the school, there will be visitor parking available upon arrival.

S. Inman Avenue: Students in Kindergarten, Grade 4 and Grade 5 may be dropped off by utilizing the drop off loop on S. Inman Avenue. Please note that if you are utilizing this area, students will need to exit your vehicle via the passenger side of the car. You will not be able to exit your vehicle to assist your child. The loop is a one-way directional, in a single file line format, and you will not be able to pass cars to exit the loop. Instead, you will need to wait in line. A staff member will be present to assist students. Anyone parking on the opposite side of S. Inman Avenue will need to walk their child to the crossing guard's post at the corner of S. Inman Avenue and Avenel Street. The loop will not be available for pick-up parking.

St. Andrew's Parking Lot: The fence between the St. Andrew's parking lot and the Avenel Street School driveway will be locked during school hours. Should you elect to use the St. Andrew's parking lot, you will need to walk around to Avenel Street to cross onto the school campus.

Avenel Street: Pick up and drop off is not allowed on the school side of Avenel Street. If you are parking anywhere on the opposite side of Avenel Street, or in the neighborhood, please cross at the crossing guard's post on the corner of Avenel Street and Park Avenue.

Follow all traffic and safety rules when dropping off and picking up your child and adhere to these guidelines at all times, regardless of the weather conditions. Please do not double-park, block crosswalks, or stop your vehicles in areas that interfere with the crossing guards' ability to safely assist students across the street.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and patience!

On behalf of the Avenel Street School faculty and staff, I want to wish everyone a great school year. We look forward to seeing you all at our Open House on Thursday, September 24th at 6:00 PM. We will have our first PTO meeting of the year at 5:15 PM, prior to the start of Open House.

With regards,



Mary Panko
Principal