

## Welcome to Anansi Charter School 2018-19!

**The first day of school is just around the corner and we have been gearing up for our upcoming school year!**

### Dates and To Do's For Anansi Families:

- School Supply shopping!
  - If you ordered your school supplies from the Friends of Anansi, you will be able to pick-up your supply order at orientation
  - If you are doing your own supply shopping...
    - Find your grade level supply list on the Anansi website ([www.anansicharterschool.org](http://www.anansicharterschool.org)) &
    - Go shopping on the New Mexico tax-free weekend (August 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>)!
- Start to get into the routine for school gradually
  - Get back to an early bed time and early wake up
  - Re-refresh your reading of your school book(s) in your reading bag and there is still time to squeeze in some reading: all students should have 2-4 books this summer for older kids and a book a day for our younger children
- Attend your grade level orientation on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>
  - Check the attachment to see the time for your orientation meeting
  - Please attend and set the tone of collaboration and cooperation with your educational team at Anansi!
  - Orientation is for parents and students
  - Parents with more than one student enrolled at Anansi should:
    - Attend one meeting with director
    - Attend all meetings with classroom teachers for the grades your children are enrolled
- Take care of immunizations and Conscientious Objectors Forms before school begins
- Be on time for the first day of school!
  - First Day of School is Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>
  - School begins at 8:30: be on time!
  - There will be school lunch so be on the lookout for the order form & menu!
  - School ends at 3:30
  - After care will begin on the first day of school and continue throughout the school year until 5:30pm each day

### What's new?

- Safety & Security for our Campus!
  - New fencing and security gates: We have a new front area fence and gates to provide a secure campus. The gate will lock at 8:30 and all visitors and students arriving after 8:30 will need to enter the campus through the front door and check in at the school office
  - Security gate to rear parking area and upper grade campus, our rear campus will now be gated; only school personnel will be able to drive to the rear of our campus

### Who's new?

- Special Education Teacher: Nathaniel Kerr will be joining Ms. Lisa in our exceptional programs department

- Enhancement/Special Education Teacher: Joelle VanWilligen will also join our exceptional programs department
- Kindergarten Educational Assistant: Ms. Blue will have a new educational assistant in the kindergarten room, we will be hiring soon
- Speech and Language Therapist: Areana Dru will work with our qualifying speech and language students on Thursdays.
- Occupational Therapists: Martie Lockwood and Alex Judycki will be joining our exceptional programs team

**Please look at the attachment to see your time for your orientation to school on August 13<sup>th</sup>! Enjoy the rest of your summer and we will see you very soon!**

All the best!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michele Hunt".

Ms. Michele

Director, Anansi Charter School