Margaret A. Neary Elementary School

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Our mission is to provide a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment, which embraces the diversity of our children. We strive to establish a community that fosters each child's maximum potential as a kind, independent, and motivated learner.



October 18, 2018

Dear Neary Families,

We are excited to announce that we will be having a Neary Halloween Parade on Wednesday October 31st! The parade will be from 1:50-2:15 and the route will be outside and around the perimeter of Neary (weather permitting) and in our hallways, if the weather is inclement. Parents are invited to watch the parade. If you plan on dismissing your child from the parade, please send a note in the morning and you will need to sign him/her out in the main office after everyone has returned to the classrooms. As the parade is at the end of the day, we strongly suggest keeping the end of day dismissal as routine as possible.

We ask for your cooperation regarding the following costume guidelines:

- Please send costume props and all accessories <u>in a bag labeled with your child's name</u>. Props (if any) must be manageable, particularly if students ride on the bus. ** We don't want anyone leaving their costumes at school and not have them for evening trick or treating.
- **Avoid violent or bloody images.** It is okay to look "scary", but there is a difference between frightening and gruesome.
- Eye and facemasks are acceptable (make sure that vision is not impaired).
- Weapons of any kind are not permitted.
- Students will not be permitted to put costumes on until just prior to our parade and with limited time for changing into them, make-up and colored hair spray is not allowed.
- Costumes are optional for the parade.

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. Valenti, Principal

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