

Dear Parent/Guardian:

On Friday, October 29th, the students and faculty of Hilldale are excited to celebrate Halloween with two separate parades. Kindergarten-Gr. 2 will celebrate at 9:00am and students in grades 3-5 will celebrate at 9:45am. Families with children in both cohorts are encouraged to remain for both parades. If you are attending the 9:00am parade we ask that you exit the school grounds after the parade to allow for the second group to arrive.

Traditionally, students parade around the perimeter of the school's main parking lot. We ask families in attendance to remain behind sectioned areas to allow students and staff to safely navigate the area. In the event of inclement weather, the parade will be cancelled, and there is no rain date.

In preparation for the parade, here are some reminders and suggested guidelines which will assure the comfort, safety, and enjoyment of your child.

- Select a costume that is in good taste and NOT offensive. It should be easy to get into and not hinder or restrict your child's movement. Remember that all students will follow their regular daily schedule, e.g. physical ed., art, music, lunch/recess, etc.
- Masks that restrict vision are not permitted. Parents/Guardians are not permitted to wear masks or makeup that would hinder the staff's ability to identify them.
- If facial makeup will be utilized, please note possible allergic reactions and distractions that application to the face might cause. Also understand that teachers will NOT have time to apply make-up to individual students.
- **Any form of a weapon, i.e. play gun, spear, knife, etc., though made out of plastic or rubber, is not acceptable to bring in, and will be confiscated by the faculty.**

We encourage you to please become involved with the selection of a costume, if your son or daughter chooses to dress up. Students will either need to come dressed or be provided with an easy costume to change into. Please, keep the costume simple and manageable for your child.

Reminders: Parking is limited. Do not park illegally in the school parking lot. In addition, **CLASS PARENTS ONLY** will be participating in classroom parties which will take place outdoors only. Any food item must be prepackaged and nurse approved.

Sincerely,

Jill Cisneros
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Principal