SAFETY FIRST

CANF UPDATED SAFETY PLAN beginning April 9, 2018

Due to the recent Florida school shootings, their tragedy made us examine our Safety plan, arrival/dismissal procedures, and address some of the concerns we have heard from faculty, staff, parents, and the NFPD.

We had 3 Niagara Falls Police Officers tour our school and discuss with us needed changes to improve the safety of our students and school.

Some of these changes are physical and will be addressed in phases. Phase #1 has begun and we have had cameras installed at the outside doors and hallways to monitor movement in the building, as well as, phones in the classrooms. Phase #2 will begin after Easter Break with added security in the classrooms and moving the door security system to the outside doors.

Other changes are related to how arrival/dismissal works. Beginning April 9th, we will be strictly enforcing these new guidelines suggested by the NFPD:

All Families

- * Door #1 (office) will remain locked at all times. You will need to be buzzed in from the Main Office. ONLY bus students will be buzzed and let in before 8am. Others will be directed to go to the correct door for arrival (K-6 Door #6, Pre-K Door #2). After 8am, late students will be buzzed in from Door #1.
- * Door #6 will remain locked until 7:40am. At this time, students should be dropped off at the door and greeted by the Morning Cafeteria Staff. The NFPD stressed not having parents walking through the building for safety reasons. If you need to speak to the teacher, an appointment needs to be made, email or phone call sent.
- * All extra-curricular activities (STREAM, Art Club, Basketball, Cheerleading, etc.) will now be dismissed out of <u>Door #6</u> with the teacher/coach just like at regular dismissal time.

Pre-K 3 and 4 Families and siblings

- * All Pre-K 3 and 4 students are to be dropped off using door #2, where aides will be standing to greet, help, and answer any questions. Doors will open at 7:50am and lock at 8:00am. Students arriving after 8am will continue to enter through Door #1.
- * Siblings of Pre-K 3 and 4 students will be sent down to the Pre-K wing for dismissal when the bell rings at 2:20pm. This will help parents to only have to pick up at 1 stop.
- * Pre-K 3 students will be dismissed as usual out the chapel door at 2:20pm.
- * Pre-K 4 students will be dismissed as usual out Door #2 at 2:20pm.

Latchkey Families

* Morning Latchkey will be buzzed in by Miss Maria beginning at 7:00am at Door #2.

We thank you in advance for your support and cooperation! We hope that you will respect the teachers/staff trying to enforce these rules as student safety is always at our forefront.