



LEARNING IS OUR SUPER POWER!

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

2017 - 2018

MRS. KANESHINA & MRS. DALEY

We are thrilled to be back for another fun-filled 8th grade school year and we are so glad that your child will be joining us for the journey!

We believe that parent and teacher communication is a key support to a successful and productive 8th grade student. In order to facilitate our relationship with your family we need you to sign up to a couple of programs and also provide us with some important information.

We need to you sign up to:

- ❖ **Bloomz App** - This is to sign up for parent teacher conferences and also volunteer for field trips and other classroom support opportunities. We are also using this service this year to send short reminders and messages to parents.
- ❖ **S'More** - This will be an informational newsletter that will contain information about what your student is doing in their core classes and also reminders about what may be coming up at DCIS. This will be sent to your email account.
- ❖ **Mrs. Daley's and Mrs. Kaneshina's Missing Work / Behavior Contact List** - When you join this list, we can send you an email when your child is missing work or when your child chooses to not follow our classroom rules.
- ❖ All of these are linked from our teacher webpage:

www.kanley.org

The Back to School Page is the home page. Just click the buttons to guide your through the sign up process for each communication tool.

Thank You !

CHEATING & PLAGIARISM

What is cheating?

- Copying answers from someone else's work (homework, class work, projects, etc).
- Using your notes or text when you are asked not to during a test (or writing answers on your arms, hands etc).
- Giving someone else the answers to a test (or communicating in any way during a test).
- Having **anyone** else do all or part of an assignment, test, paper, project, etc. for you.
- Studying a copy of a test before taking a make-up exam (this includes stealing a test from the teacher or using another student's test).
- Helping someone on an assignment that is supposed to be individualized work.
- Borrowing a research paper and submitting it as your own, or having someone else write it for you.
- Adding resources to your bibliography that you did not use.
- Turning in a paper for an assignment that you submitted for another class that has been graded before.
- Not telling your teacher about his/her error when you receive extra points or a higher grade you did not actually earn.
- Changing grades in official records (changing the grade on an assignment).

What is plagiarism?

- Adding someone's exact words, thoughts, or ideas to your paper without quoting or giving him/her credit in your bibliography.
- Summarizing someone's words, thoughts, or ideas in your paper without giving him/her credit in your bibliography (this means that even if you put the information in your own words, you must give credit for the ideas).

What about the Internet?

- The Internet is a source, just like a book in the library. If it would be cheating or plagiarism to use a book in the library, it would also be cheating or plagiarism to use material off the Web. If you ought to acknowledge use of a book in the library, you should acknowledge use of the material you find on the Web. Paying for the material does not make it yours to use without acknowledgement. (This includes any graphic element such as pictures, any artwork or borders, clip art, etc; any phrase that is written or musical; specific language; any idea from another work, published or unpublished, of another person.)

SOURCE: <http://www.uscumter.edu/~library/Cheating.html>

MINIMUM CONSEQUENCE FOR CHEATING AND/OR PLAGIARISM WILL BE TO RECEIVE A ZERO "0" ON THAT TEST OR ASSIGNMENT AND AN "N" IN CITIZENSHIP FOR THE SIX-WEEK GRADING PERIOD. STUDENTS WHO ARE TEACHER'S AIDES WILL BE DROPPED FROM THIS POSITION AND RETURNED TO THE ELECTIVE WHEEL. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Movie Release Form

Mrs. Daley and Mrs. Kaneshina

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This year we will be incorporating videos and video clips to reinforce elements of storytelling, curricular themes, and to provide visual versions of historical events. This permission slip releases your student to view all "PG" and "PG-13" rated movies throughout the 2016-17 school year.

Only students who have returned this signed permission slip will be allowed to view these movies. Students without permission will be excused from the classroom during the video without penalty. These students will be given a comparable assignment to meet the lesson objective associated with viewing the video.

Thank you,

Mrs. Daley & Mrs. Kaneshina

NOTE: There are a few rated "R" movies that may be used to enhance student understanding of key concepts. For example, movies such as The Patriot, Roots, and Glory do an amazing job of portraying The Revolutionary War, slavery, and The Civil War. If we do opt to show a rated "R" movie, an additional permission slip will be sent home.

SIGN & RETURN SIGNATURE PAGE BY Tuesday, AUGUST 15th

Classroom Policies

Yes, I have read the letter from Mrs. Daley & Mrs. Kaneshina regarding rules and policies in their classrooms. I understand that it is my responsibility to do the best I can to succeed in school this year.

Student name (please print)

Student signature

Student cell phone

Date

Yes, I have read the letter from Mrs. Daley & Mrs. Kaneshina regarding rules and policies in their classrooms. I agree to help my student follow these rules and to help my student succeed this year in school.

Parent name (please print)

Parent signature

Parent cell phone

Parent E-mail address - this is very important

Another Parent cell phone

Another Parent E-mail Address

Home phone number

Work phone number

Movie Release

_____ Yes, my student has permission to watch "PG" & "PG-13" movies in the classroom.

_____ No, my student DOES NOT have permission to watch "PG" and "PG-13" movies class.

Student name (please print)

Parent signature

Date

Cheating & Plagiarism

My child and I have received the above information regarding cheating and plagiarism, and we agree to adhere to the definitions and conditions stated above.

Student name (please print)

Date

Student signature

Parent signature