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Director of Administrative Services

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As always I greet you with the hope that all is well.

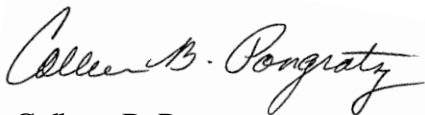
While there are many things in education that we can debate, I think most, if not all of us will agree that the safety and security of our children are of the utmost priority. To this end, I solicit your assistance on the playground during aftercare.

Many students, parents and community members are coming onto the premises during aftercare while our elementary-aged students are on the blacktop and the playground equipment. They are also bringing pets and often using language that is not appropriate. This is causing discomfort and anxiety in our children as well as posing a safety and security risk to their well-being.

To remedy this, as in years past, we are asking that only students who are enrolled in aftercare be allowed on the blacktop and playground equipment during aftercare hours. Please feel free to use the grounds immediately following their departure. This will enable all of us to enjoy the grounds and the equipment.

I thank you in advance for your understanding, cooperation and continued support as we seek to find solutions that will make our school more productive, efficient and safe.

Sincerely,



Colleen B. Pongratz  
Director of Administrative Services

