

Dear Hamilton Families,

I am so excited to welcome you to the 2022-2023 school year! I hope your time away from school was relaxing, fun, peaceful, enjoyable, and all the things you wanted your summer to be. My name is Fernanda Dillon, and I am honored to serve as the school principal at Hamilton.

The purpose of this communication is to share important information about the beginning of the school year. Please read through the entire document carefully. If you have questions about the information, do not hesitate to reach out to me or to Assistant Principals, Rachel Langberg ([rachel\\_langberg@dpsk12.net](mailto:rachel_langberg@dpsk12.net)) or Christine Manzanares ([c\\_manzanares@dpsk12.net](mailto:c_manzanares@dpsk12.net))

### **Digital Deets**

Hamilton will be using Digital Deets to streamline school-to-home communication this year. The system helps to disseminate school-to-home information smoothly and effectively. Their "one app for all" solution enables all of the members of a school community to easily receive information. Here's how you can sign up:

1. Head to [www.digitaldeets.com](http://www.digitaldeets.com) or download their mobile app available for iOS and Android.
2. Sign up and connect to your child. (No Digital Deets Code for your child? No problem! Use the Look it Up Link.)
3. You will begin to receive targeted, relevant information related to your children.

### **Pre-Registration**

Each school year, Denver Public Schools requires families to update their student information online in the Parent Portal before attending school via [myportal.dpsk12.org](http://myportal.dpsk12.org). Need help with the portal? Call 720-423-3163 or email [dps\\_portalteam@dpsk12.org](mailto:dps_portalteam@dpsk12.org). All families who update their information online are also expected to come to the school to complete the registration process. See below for more information.

### **Registration**

All families are expected to come to the school to complete registration, review and sign agreements, and get your questions answered prior to the start of school. If you filled out the pre-registration online, you still need to come to Hamilton to complete the registration process.

- August 11th and 12th from 9 am-12 pm and 1 pm-4 pm.

### **1st Week of School Phase In**

A gradual entry will give students and teachers opportunities to engage in relationship building, learn school routines and get their new lockers.

- **All 6th Grade Students** will start school on **Monday, August 22nd**.
- **All 7th Grade Students** will start school on **Wednesday, August 24th**. 7th grade students will not attend school on August 22nd or 23rd.
- **All 8th Grade students** will start school on **Thursday, August 25th**. 8th grade students will not attend school August 22nd, 23rd, or 24th.

### **Connection Events**

Family and School partnership is essential for student success and we invite you to the following events:

- **New Families Meeting** for 6th grade families and 7th-8th grade families who are new to Hamilton:
  - Tuesday, August 23rd in the auditorium at 5:30 pm
  - 7th and 8th grade families, please bring students with you for a school tour. 6th grade students will tour the school on Monday, August 22nd during the school day.
- **Returning Families Meeting** for all 7th and 8th grade families who are returning to Hamilton:
  - Wednesday, August 24th in the auditorium at 5:30 pm

### **Breakfast/Lunch**

Beginning August 2022, LUNCH meals will no longer be provided at no cost to all students. It is important for families to complete a free and reduced meal application each school year to determine eligibility for free or reduced meal benefits. The application is available now on [www.MySchoolApps.com](http://www.MySchoolApps.com).

- Lunch \$2.75
- Only Milk \$0.75
- Meals will be charged based on Free, Reduced and Paid meal eligibility.
- Breakfast is free for all students, and will be served from 8:20am-8:50am. To help us prepare for, and supervise a warm, welcoming experience, [please fill out this survey](#) to help us prepare for your child to arrive early for breakfast.

### **Supplies**

Your student's teachers may have additional recommendations for supplies specific to their content.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle  | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 dry erase markers   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School-issued computer/Chromebook and charger (Please have devices charged prior to arriving at school) | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 spiral notebooks (if computer/Chromebook is not available or not working) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pencil pouch  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box of tissues (for community donation)                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12 pre sharpened pencils  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack of notecards (for community donation)                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eraser and graphite refills, as needed  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack of Lysol wipes (for community donation)                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal pencil sharpener   | <input type="checkbox"/> Keep 2 extra masks in your backpack   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box of colored pencils or 1 box markers   | <input type="checkbox"/> White t-shirt and black shorts, leggings, or sweatpants (for PE)            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack of blue or black pens  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a 4 pack of assorted highlighters (pink, yellow, green, and blue)                                       |  |

### **Transportation**

If you are eligible for transportation, make sure you know your routes.

- Call 720-423-4600 or email [transportation@dpsk12.net](mailto:transportation@dpsk12.net) with questions
- Visit the DPS Transportation website at <http://thecommons.dpsk12.org/transportation>

Our school is honored to partner with you in order to foster a **caring, productive, predictable** and **safe** learning environment where every student thrives and practices IB Learner Profile Attributes: Caring, Balanced, Reflective, Principled, Thinker, Inquirer, Knowledgeable, Risk Taker, Open Minded and Communicator.

Sincerely,  
Fernada Dillon  
Principal

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