

WORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT 127

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Dear Parent(s):

As this school year draws to a close, we are planning for several summer facility projects and the start of the 2019-2020 school year. The Board of Education continues to make investments in our school facilities and has approved some major renovation and maintenance projects for summer 2019. Specifically, the projects include:

1. The replacement of the unit ventilators on the 1st and 2nd floors of Worth Junior High School and the installation of new lighting fixtures and ceiling tiles in the same area;
2. Painting classroom areas and the gym at Worth Junior High School;
3. Roof replacement at Worth Elementary School;
4. Roof replacement at Worthridge School;
5. Replacement of the rear parking lot at the Dr. Rosemary Lucas Administrative Center;
6. Installation of projectors for classrooms throughout the district;
7. Installation of marker boards for classrooms throughout the district;
8. Other smaller facility projects.

The scope of these projects requires that we maximize the length of the summer break so that our contractors can complete the work before the start of the next school year. At this moment, we are unable to provide you with a school calendar for 2019-2020. Discussions in Springfield are holding up the process of submitting a calendar for all school districts in Illinois. We have only a draft calendar which is pending the approval of an agency of the Illinois State Board of Education. When our calendar is approved, you will receive a copy via U.S. mail and it will also be displayed on our website at <http://www.worthschools.org>. Please note the following information:

Calendar for 2019-2020

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| School Begins | August 28, 2019 (full day) |
| Winter Break | 12/23/19 through and including 1/3/20 |
| Spring Break | 3/23/20 through and including 3/27/20 |
| School Ends | 6/5/20 if no emergency days are used |

Please note that the Early Childhood, Pre-K, and Kindergarten programs will begin on August 28, 2019. Both A.M. and P.M. sessions will attend.

Schedule for June 11, 2019 Last Day of School for Grades Pre-K, EC, and K through 7

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| Worth Junior High | 8:20 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. |
| Worthwoods, Worth Elementary, Worthridge | 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. |

Please note that the last day of school is a half-day of school. There will not be any afternoon sessions for Pre-K, Early Childhood (at Worth Elementary School), and Kindergarten (at Worth Elementary School and Worthwoods School). Only the morning sessions of these programs will meet.

Summer 2019 Information

Due to construction and for safety considerations, our school buildings are closed to the public during the summer. This is particularly true of Worth Junior High School where significant facility work will be done. Our principals and assistant principal are not available during the month of July.

The Administrative Center (11218 South Ridgeland Avenue) is open all summer except for July 4, 2019 to serve parents and answer questions.

For special programs like Band, Volleyball Camp, and Title I programs, you will receive information about the dates, times, and locations where these programs will meet.

It has been a sincere pleasure to serve this community as the Superintendent for the past thirteen years. Together, the community, the Board of Education, and staff have accomplished many wonderful things and improved the learning environment for our students. We are very proud of our students and their accomplishments, including the many charitable projects in which they have participated to improve the lives of others. On July 1, 2019, Dr. Mark Fleming will join the district as the new Superintendent. I wish him all the best as he joins the Worth community and carries on its fine educational traditions.

Best wishes for a wonderful summer filled with happy, relaxing family experiences.

Sincerely,



Rita Wojtylewski, Ph.D.
Superintendent
Worth School District 127

Cc: Staff