



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Dear Parents:

This coming Friday, October 28 we will have a Halloween Dance for the Middle School and on Monday, October 31 there will be a Halloween Parade for the Elementary School.

The dance is an optional after-school activity for Middle School and students are not required to attend.

The parade will begin at 8:40 on the big yard around the grass. If students do not want to participate or cannot participate for religious reasons they may go to Library. They can also come to school 30 minutes late. Students will wear their costumes to school and then change before going to class. We have created the following guidelines to allow students to participate in enjoyable, positive, and controlled activities, while maintaining student safety.

The following guidelines shall apply:

- Students may wear costumes to school. The single largest criterion is that costumes may not be demeaning to any person or group based on ethnicity, race, religion, nationality, disability, gender, gender identity (boys as girls and vice versa)
- Costumes may not cause a significant disruption or distraction to the school program; i.e., no revealing costumes (low cut, French maids, nightwear, bathing suits, etc.).
- No weapons, or even replica weapons, are to be brought to school.
- No costumes are allowed that completely hide the identity of the student; i.e., gorilla suit, "Scream" character, etc.
- No masks are allowed at school and no clown faces and costumes this year please.

The parents will be invited to stand on the outside of the parade circle and cheer the students on! Parking restrictions have been lifted for the day.

Sincerely,

Mary Melvin

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