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Dear Parents:

For Halloween, on Wednesday, October 31, we have created the following guidelines to allow students to participate in enjoyable, positive, and controlled activities, while maintaining student safety:

- Elementary Students will only wear their costumes during the parade.
- Middle School Students may wear costumes during the school day.
- 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. masks, gorilla suit, "Scream" character, etc.

Elementary – There will be a Costume Parade on the big yard around the track beginning at 8:30am. Students participating in the parade will need to wear their costumes to school and then change before going to class. If students do not want to participate or cannot participate for religious reasons they may go to the library and stay with Ms. Rodriguez. 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.

Middle School – There will be an after-school Halloween Dance for 6th thru 8th grade students. The dance is an optional after-school activity for Middle School students are not required to attend. Middle School is a minimum day and school is dismissed at 12:27pm. The Halloween Dance will be at ****1:00pm – 3:00pm**** in the MPR and Middle School Faculty will be chaperoning the dance. Tickets for the dance will be sold during lunch and nutrition the week of October 22 by Mr. Demirjic. Tickets of \$5.00 cash only for the dance will include a slice of pizza, snack and bottled water.

Happy Halloween!!

Sincerely,

Mary Melvin

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