



Dear Parents from the **Upper Elementary** classes,

Welcome back to Atala for the 2024/2025 school year. I am very excited to be starting our new school year! The first day of school is Monday August 26th. I hope to see all of you at our Open House event on Friday August 23rd. We will be sending the Open House schedule soon. I would like to address some common questions before then.

Elementary class time begins at 8:00 a.m. During the school year you may drop your child off from 7:45 to 8:00am at the wrought iron "dog gate" on the north side of the building. Staff will be there to receive incoming students. (We do understand that you may want to walk your child to the classroom the first day or two. If this is the case, please park in the lot directly west of the school.) Dismissal for those not staying for Extended Care or *Study Hall* is from 2:45 to 3:00 at the same gate.

All the Upper Elementary students will need a backpack. This will make it much easier to transport all their work and belongings. We do provide pencils, crayons, scissors, glue, folders, etc. However, your child may want to have his or her own colored pencils or other supplies. It is fine to send those in with your child. Each child will have a space for their belongings. They will also need to pack lunch daily. There is no refrigeration, so please keep this in mind as you pack the lunch. They will also need a non-disposable water bottle and a hat for physical education and recess.

Our Fall Parent's Night will be Thursday August 29th at 5:00 p.m. We will be going over the homework and classwork schedule, *Study Hall*, lunches, physical education, and much more. This is a very important evening, so childcare will be provided. Please let the office know if you will need to take advantage of the childcare.

We hope to see all of you at our Open House. We will answer any other questions that you may have at that time. We can't wait to see all of you!

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