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AIM Update!

September 12th, 2014

Another first day of school??? Well, sort of. This week sort of felt like a few “first days” as students attended new classes, groups and community sites throughout the week. From carrying groceries back from Cub foods to discussing communication in the workplace, we’ve covered a lot in 5 days!

- Watch that weather! Remember students... the mornings are cool (and sometimes the days), make sure to have a jacket handy (and even an umbrella at times) when we are out and about.
- Got all your stuff? Wallets/purses should be well in use by now as we utilize Cub/debit cards and student IDs
- **PICTURE DAY!!!** Yup, even transition programs love a good ‘ol picture day. This Wednesday (17th) we will be hosting a picture day for all students and staff. Who says you can’t have your 20 year old son or daughter on a button? Well, we’ll let you decide when the order forms come home.
- LUNCH! (Again). By this time, ALL students should have a “loaded” Cub (or maybe debit) card with about \$20 at the start of the week. **Starting September 22nd, we will charge \$3.50 per lunch for students who do not have funds and/or supplies for lunch.** Free/Reduced students, as always, will have their Cub cards available to them. Please email Shawn Bortel with any questions (sbortel@lgamn.org)
- **Helpful Information Regarding Reporting Absences (please review as needed):**
 - If parents or students have a question or concern about their route in the morning (after 6:00 a.m.), please call TCT dispatch line directly at: **952-884-6824, extension 113 or extension 118.** It is important to direct any questions about pick-up to TCT in the morning, as Emily Richards does not get in the office until 7:30 a.m.
 - If it is the night before an absence and students know they will not be riding the bus the next morning, please call and leave a voice message at **952-884-6824, extension 397.** If it’s after 6:00 a.m. on the day of an absence, you can call and report your absence to the TCT dispatch line at **952-884-6824, extension 113 or extension 118** to let them know know that you will not be riding that day.
 - In addition to notifying TCT of absences, it is imperative that AIM is notified as soon as possible when students will be absent. Please call our front desk or e-mail Emily Richards **and** your student's case manager when you know of an absence, late arrival or early release.

- Important Telephone Numbers:



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- Twin City Transportation: [952-884-6824](tel:952-884-6824)
- Twin City Transportation Dispatch Line: [952-884-6824](tel:952-884-6824), extension 113 or 118
- AIM Program Front Desk: 651-348-6574

Did you know???

- Lindsey Wolfe will be the Vocational Rehabilitation counselor for those students on the east side of town. Erin Kampa will continue to work with families on her caseload, in addition to families living in the west side of town.
- Did you know that September is national chicken, rice AND potato month? AND, September is also national All-American breakfast month? Not sure what all that means, but definitely is a list of ingredients you can work with!



Mr. Potato Head says “have a great weekend!”