

Reiche School News

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Welcome Mrs. Serio!

Mrs. Serio has joined Mr. Hummel and Mrs. Bobinsky as a Lead Teacher of Reiche School. Mrs. Serio received her Bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College and has a Masters in Education in Literacy and English as a Second Language from University of Southern Maine. She has been employed by the Portland Public Schools since 1990 in a variety of roles including eleven years at Reiche School as an ESL and K-2 teacher from 1990-2001. From 2010-2012, Renee and her family lived in Shenzhen, China where she taught and learned at Shekou International School. Prior to becoming a Lead Teacher at Reiche, Renee was the Teacher Leader at Peaks Island and Cliff Island Elementary Schools.

On Time, Every Day

Playgrounds at Reiche are supervised beginning at 8:30am and doors open to students at 8:45am. Instruction begins at 9:00am. Students who arrive after 9:00am are marked as tardy.

Our mornings at Reiche School are structured very purposefully. Students are greeted as they enter the building. Classrooms have routines to put belongings away and turn in work. At 9:00 announcements are made for the whole school and classes gather for morning meeting where students greet each other, participate in an activity, share, and set the tone for the day with a morning message. A lot happens to set students up for success and children who miss out on these components can have a harder time transitioning in the classroom and having their needs met.

We respect that occasionally families have other responsibilities that cause a student to be late. If you know your child is late, *please call the front desk to inform us: 874-8175*. Our first priority is student safety and informing us will avoid a phone call from the school asking of your child's whereabouts.

Friday Food Bags

Reiche School offers many programs to support and engage our families. One of these is our Friday food bag program, generously supplied by the Locker Project. Students may take home a back of food to supplement for the family. If you are interested in your child bringing home a bag, please contact your child's teacher. If your student brings home a bag and you would NOT like them to continue doing so, please contact your child's teacher or Anne Baltren.

Parent Volunteers

Volunteer applications are online! Visit the Parent Portal on portlandschools.org. If you are interested in volunteering at school – in class, around the building, on field trips – you must complete this application process, which includes a background check. Applications take about 3 weeks to process. Approved applicants will be put in touch with our volunteer coordinator, Sylvie Montello.

Important Dates

Tuesday, Sep 25
Picture Day

Wednesday, Sep 26
Early Dismissal
@ 2:30pm

Wednesday, Oct 3
Early Dismissal
@ 2:30pm

Monday, Oct 8
No School