

Shaw Elementary VPA CEFSS *Home of the Pandas!* 5329 Columbia Avenue St. Louis, Missouri 63139 314-776-5091 Phone 314-244-1864 Fax

July 2016

Dear Shaw Parents/Guardians,

Welcome new families to Shaw Visual and Performing Arts Elementary School. We are excited to have you join us for a year of unlimited educational opportunities for student success.

Elementary school is a time to set a solid foundation for educational growth. The workload and social development expectations increase each year. Students are expected to attend school daily, complete all assignments and behave appropriately. This school year will be exciting and filled with many new experiences and opportunities for academic excellence.

This year we have had a few changes in personnel. Phyllis Miller, Tiffany Brown, Angela McCann, & Carol Adams will be joining our staff this year. They are well qualified in their particular teaching discipline, and I am sure they will further enhance our exceptionally fine faculty.

Please mark your calendar: **Monday, August 15**th, **from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.** You are invited to meet and greet administrators, teachers and support staff.

Please read all items carefully. Enclosed you will find six very important sources of information: (1)

Emergency Contact [authorized pickup list, technology agreement, media release form, health registration form, emergency authorization for emergency care, authorization for administering medication to student], (2) School, Parent, Student Compact, (3) Supply List (4) Bully Pledge, (5) Arts Registration Form (4th & 5th Grade only), (6) Panda Pride T-shirt Order Form.

Shaw school uniforms are khaki or navy pants and white, navy, or light blue polo style shirts.

Registration for New Students is Monday-Friday (8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.) beginning August 2, 2016. Registration for ALL new students is MANDATORY BEFORE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2016. Please be sure to bring the following documentation with you:

- Original Birth Certificate {raised seal}
- Current Immunization Records
- Current Physical
- Last Report Card
- Proof of Residency {lease, utility bill, property deed, property tax receipt}
- Valid Driver License/State ID
- Completed Emergency Contact Package

Please contact our secretary, Ms. McAlister, at 314-776-5091, if you have any questions or concerns.

Bus information will be mailed from the St. Louis Public Schools District office. Please be reminded, students are expected to follow bus safety regulations at all times.

Again, welcome and we look forward to a very successful academic year!

Cordially,

Dr. Lori A. Craig, Ed.D. Principal