October 2021

Dear Ellicott Families:

Halloween is fast approaching and we encourage all members of the Ellicott community to partake in the traditions of the season – costumes, treats, and good times! With Halloween falling on a Sunday this year, we will hold any Halloween celebrations on Friday, October 29th.

Here are some guidelines we ask all families to follow in order to ensure Halloween at Ellicott is safe and enjoyable for all.

Costumes
Students are encouraged to wear costumes but please keep in mind:
- No costumes that are violent or gory in nature.
- No weapons, even toy weapons, are allowed.
- Costume masks should be kept at home to ensure appropriate face masks can be worn. Costume masks are not an acceptable substitute for cloth face coverings.
- Facepainting is strongly discouraged.

Classroom Celebrations
- Each homeroom teacher will communicate if they are hosting celebrations - some do, many do not.
- Each homeroom teacher will determine and communicate if volunteers are needed and the room parent will plan accordingly.

Snacks, Treats, & Candy
- No homemade treats are allowed.
- Pre-packaged, store-bought, individual snacks and treats may be passed out based on homeroom teacher plans and any food allergy restrictions.

It is important that families communicate with their homeroom teachers if they have questions about costumes, celebrations, and snacks prior to Halloween.

Thank you,

Diana Nigro
Principal