



Scranton Attendance Center's

Partners In Education

September 2015 Update

The school year is off to a great start. There are just a few changes in the building. Mrs. Hamit has transitioned from the Carbondale Attendance Center where she served as Vice Principal for the past three year to serve as the principal at SAC. Mr. Piper has also joined the SAC team as lead maintenance personnel. Two new paraprofessionals, Mr. Holmes and Ms. Wegley, have also joined the staff.

In addition to personnel changes, there has been an addition to the beginning of the day routine. All staff and students begin the day at 7:50 a.m. gathered together in the gym for Morning Assembly. Menu review, birthday recognition, announcements, character word update, Code of Conduct, and the flag salute are all covered during the gathering. It is a positive way to start the day.

As a reminder, the school day officially begins at 8:00 a.m. Students arriving after that time must report to the office for a pass. When returning from a medical appointment students should bring a note from the doctor for the office to keep on file. Oversleeping, missing the bus, etc. are not excused absences. Students get the most out of their education when they attend school.

Lunch visitors are always welcome. However, please alert the office as early as possible if your student will have a guest joining them for lunch. The kitchen staff does not make a lot of extra food each day preventing wastefulness. Therefore, it is important they have an accurate count of those eating lunch. Lunches can be paid for when guests check into the office or funds may be sent to school with your student in advance. Adult lunches are \$3.50.

Students have jumped right in and have begun working hard. Both third and fourth graders have started math and reading placement tests. The results from these initial assessments will help group students for walk to intervention sessions where lessons and activities will focus on specific skills. Progress monitoring every two weeks will help determine if/when students are ready to transition to different groups. Math groups have just begun and reading groups are scheduled to begin on September 8.

District students in grades K-5 will begin using the Core 5 Lexia reading program this year. A few summer school students got a sneak preview. It has been encouraging to see other districts in the area experience great success from using the program. Additional information will be coming home with students regarding the Lexia program.

Upcoming Events:

- ◆ September 2 - All School Picture
- ◆ September 7 - No School/Labor Day
- ◆ September 15 - Fall Pictures
- ◆ September 21 - KRR After School Program Begins
- ◆ September 25 - 3rd Grade Grandparent's Game Day (Look for more information to come home soon about the day's activities.)

