

Dear ELC/PC Families

We are excited to announce that the ELC/PC will be allowing Halloween costumes and other alternative dress-up ideas to be worn to school this year on Thursday, October 31, 2019. As we celebrate the fall season, it's important that we continue to follow the 3 Rs (Respectful, Responsible, and Ready), so we can maintain a safe and positive school environment during this fun time. The following ELC/PC Dress-Up Requirements MUST be followed when sending your child to school wearing their costume/dress-up attire.

COSTUME/DRESS-UP REQUIREMENTS

- Students should arrive to school dressed in their costume/dress-up clothing for the day. Please make sure your child brings weather/temperature appropriate outerwear, as students will be going out for recess. Students must also wear shoes that they can safely play and participate in if they have physical education class.
- Costumes/Dress-ups need to be school appropriate. No clothing involving violence, gore, or horror. If your child's teacher feels a part of your child's outfit is not appropriate, he/she will keep that item until the end of the school day.
- Weapons, props and capes should be left at home. We want to ensure the safety and comfort of all of our students. Capes are a tripping hazard, and weapons/props can cause bodily injury and create worry/discomfort. Any of these items brought to school will be brought to the office. Parents will be contacted to pick them up at their convenience.
- Students need to avoid having their faces completely covered with face paint or masks. Staff need to be able to easily identify students and some students are anxious or fearful of people wearing masks. If students do have some makeup as a part of their costume, this should be applied at home, not at school.
- For the safety of those with allergies, costumes and accessories may not contain latex.

If your child's costume is unable to meet the above requirements, do not fret! Your child could dress up wearing any of the following: sportswear, pajamas, or super hero clothing. We want all students to be included in this fun day. Many adults will be opting to wear one of these options, so students who come in this attire will not be alone!

Thank you for your help and cooperation! We are looking forward to a safe and fun dress-up day!

Sincerely,

Rachael Johnson, Principal
& The ELC/PC Staff