



Dear Roger Clap Families,

We are excited to invite you to our **Annual Back to School Night THIS Thursday, September 26 from 5:30-7pm**. At Back to School Night families and students can expect to:



- Share their hopes & dreams for the school year
- Learn about the experiences students have in the classroom
- Meet with Roger Clap Staff & Community Partners
- Engage in leadership opportunities to help make our school a better place for all
- Eat Pizza!



Parking can be difficult so we're sharing some tips with you about how to ensure we respect our neighbors and city parking codes.

- You can park anywhere along Harvest St., Boston St, or Dorchester Ave.
- The Red Line MBTA (Stop Near UMass) or Bus #16, 17, and 18 are nearby
- Please do NOT park in the driveways of our neighbors

At Back to School Night, you'll be able to sign up for your child's Fall Family Conference (starting in October). During the Fall Family Conference, you'll get to learn about your child's progress, share your concerns and excitement, hear from your child's teachers, and engage in goal setting with your child and their teaching team. *Please save your individual check-ins for a phone call and/or the Fall Family Conference.* Please complete the RSVP form attached.

#### School Wide Updates:

- Clap Parent Mentoring Program in partnership with St. Stephen's Youth Program: Clap Parent Mentors will receive a stipend of \$18/hour for the 12.5 hours a week they are in person. Parents as mentors at the Clap work one on one and in small groups with students in a consistent classroom. No other previous experience is required, and all parents will be provided the training necessary (in English, Spanish, Cape Verdean Creole, and/or Vietnamese). Please complete the attached form if you are interested or [sign up here](#).

In partnership,  
Emma Fialka-Feldman, Principal





## REMINDER: 2024-2025 Roger Clap Student & Family Policies

The Roger Clap School Site Council & Roger Clap staff have updated school wide policies to ensure that our community collaborates to support the safety of all. All policies are in line with the Boston Public Schools.

### Food, Drinks & Snacks

Students are provided with breakfast, lunch, and weekly snacks (as part of the Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program). There is no requirement to send in any food to school with your learner.

Donations & Sharing: Families are able to donate healthy snacks for classrooms to use during snack time. Unless a whole class donation is shared, students may not **SHARE** individual snacks. This is to ensure the safety and health of all.



All food must be consumed during the designated breakfast, lunch and snack times. In alignment with the BPS Food & Nutrition Policy, the Clap promotes the consumption of fruits and vegetables, whole grains, healthy fats, low-fat dairy products, and water and other messages consistent with research-based findings that indicate a positive impact on health.

#### Food consumed may include:

- Water
- Fruits & Vegetables
- Crackers, Rice Cakes, Popcorn
- Granola and Cereal Bars
- Cheese & Yogurt



It is recommended that the following items are not consumed at school.

- Soda & Energy Drinks
- Highly sugary drinks such as Coolatas, Refreshers or Slushies
- Coffee, Caffeinated, & Hot Beverages (i.e. Hot Chocolate)
- Candy, Cakes, Cookies & Doughnuts
- Fast Food
- Tree nuts, nuts, or any nut related foods



Note: Food delivered to school by *delivery services* (i.e. UberEats) during the school day is not permitted.