

Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary School
A Place to Learn and Grow
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Dear Pieter B. Families,

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary, welcome to a new school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our learners can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education.

For the tenth year Pieter B. will have a First Day Celebration parade on the first day of school (September 8th) for students in grades 1-5, starting at 2:00 p.m. Due to Kindergarten welcome start not all kindergarten students will attend school on the day of the parade however; all kindergarten students are welcome to walk in the parade. We ask for all parents, families and friends to line Church Street and Main Street to North Clement Avenue to wave to your child as they celebrate coming back to school. After the parade free ice cream will be provided donated from Ravena Stewart's shops!!

Throughout the year, it is important to keep abreast of school events and policies. The Parent Informational Handbook which contains student Code of Conduct information, absent and tardy forms and the school calendar are among the many resources that can be found on our website. If you do not have internet access, a copy of all forms can be picked up at each school building.

As we move towards the start of the school year, take some time to talk with your child about their hopes, goals and expectations for First Day and the school year. Encourage your child to ask questions and to build positive relationship with classmates. Listen to your child and be a part of your child's learning. Remember, you are your child's first teacher.

Please consider joining the Pieter B. PTO as our students can greatly benefit from your involvement and contributions to the school's program and its operations. PTO is seeking volunteers to help with the following activities:

- 1) Teacher-led instructional support, usually in the classroom
- 2) School-wide events and activities
- 3) Student recognition events
- 4) Outreach and recruitment of parent and community volunteers

All the best for a great school year,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Hakim Jones'.

Hakim I. Jones

PBC Principal