

Parents and Guardians,

This letter is to inform you that your child will be starting our Learn to Swim Program in the upcoming weeks! The program is fairly new to the district and has been an exciting and unique learning experience. Over the course of the program your child will be taught swimming skills, swimming strokes, as well as pool rules and water safety. Your child will be swimming in the pool everyday their class has physical education.

Your child is expected to bring:

- Swimming suit
- Towel
- Goggles, if needed
- Ear plugs, if needed
- Bag to carry items in

Our first day of swimming is **Monday, September 18th**. The students will have a bus provided for them and will be swimming on the SUNY Potsdam campus at Merritt Hall. This program provides the children with necessary water skills that can develop a lifelong physical activity as well as create a safe and comfortable environment in and around the water. I look forward to working with all of your children and I hope they are excited to start learning! If you have any questions or concerns about the program, feel free to contact me.

Also, I encourage all of our parents to download the "Remind" app on a smartphone, tablet, or computer. Remind provides an easy way for teachers to communicate with parents via text notifications from the app. It will allow me to share reminders on bringing the correct equipment and up to the minute updates in our swim schedule as we go through many vacation breaks and snow days! There is a link on the Lawrence Ave Physical Education website to click and join and I am also going to provide the group and passcode to enter below in this letter.

To enter Remind group:

Group Name: 4th Grade Physical Education

Text to the phone # **81010** the following message code: **@ffab36b**

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