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Dear SMLS Parents and Guardians,

I am happy to inform you that we will be celebrating Halloween October 29th here at SMLS. Please note the following:

- ❑ Students in PreK-4th Grade will participate in the parade and 8th graders will lead it. Other Middle School Students will either walk the parade route with their buddies in the younger grades or watch the parade.
- ❑ The parade will be held at 1:15 in the parking lot that sits next to the Gym and Parish Meeting Room. Spectators will line the perimeter around the parking lot. Since this is an outdoor event masks will not be required.
- ❑ In the event that it rains we will move the parade indoors to the gym and parents will view the parade from the bleachers. If we have to move the parade indoors then we will only be able to accommodate one parade guest per child due to limited space. Guests would have to wear a mask indoors.
- ❑ It will be a "dress down" day (Please see back for specific information).
- ❑ Individual class parties will follow the parade. **Please note that family members may not enter the building for parties as we are limiting access to the building.** Each homeroom is limited to two room parents or volunteers.
- ❑ Students will be dismissed at the regular time at 3:00 to the car rider line and will wear costumes home. If your child is going to be dismissed early on Friday then please notify the main office and your child's teacher ahead of time.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of the students in their costumes! Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Warmly,  
*Maria Sobel*  
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Principal

**Please Turn Over**

## **Halloween Costumes & Dress Down Information**

### **K-4th Grade Students:**

- ❑ The costume for the school parade should be the 'light' version of the student's Halloween costume. All parts of it should fit into one bag. Please remember that students will be dressing themselves. Since it is a "Dress Down" day we are encouraging students to wear anything they would put on under their costume to school that day (eg: black clothing under a witch's costume).
- ❑ All costumes should be "school appropriate." If you have a question concerning if your child's costume is appropriate then please reach out to your child's teacher.
- ❑ No weapons are to be brought to school as part of the costume.
- ❑ Students may not wear or bring makeup to school to apply.
- ❑ All students must wear face masks with their costumes. This includes wearing a face mask under a costume mask.
- ❑ Costume masks that are part of a costume may be worn during the parade, but not before or after it.
- ❑ If parents choose to wear a costume to the parade, it can not include a mask as we need to know who you are.
- ❑ Remind your child they will wear their costumes home and to remember all parts and accessories. The building will be closed over the weekend and you will not be able to retrieve forgotten costume items.

### **5th-8th Grade Students:**

- ❑ Students can wear gym or spirit wear shorts or pants. They can also wear any other pants that are appropriate for school. They may not be ripped or too tight. If students choose to wear leggings, their tops must be fingertip length.
- ❑ Students' tops should be Halloween colors such as orange, black, yellow or purple and the shirt must be appropriate for school. It may have a Halloween message or picture as long as it does not show gore or violence. It must cover at least what the gym uniform shirt covers. Spirit wear is an option for this day as well.

***Please note that parents will be called to bring students a change of clothing if their attire is not appropriate.***