

IRONTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

To: Ironton Families

From: Rob Holmes, Principal

Date: 9/30/20

Re: Halloween Parade and Social

At the present time, the scheduled Elementary School Halloween parade and party will not be held in its regular format this year. While we know this is an activity that students look forward to every year, we are unable to ensure proper safety protocols as it relates to our reopening plans during an in-person parade and party. Should the current environment change, we will revisit whether the events can be held in our regular format. In the meantime, the Parkland elementary schools will plan to hold a teacher-led virtual **Halloween activity on Wednesday October 28, which is an eLearning day**. All students will have the choice to dress up in their Halloween costumes during their virtual conferences with their classmates. Teachers will provide parents with more information regarding each of their plans for that day.

Information about Activities

While our festivities will be virtual, it is still occurring during the instructional time period that school is in session and must adhere to the same protocols as we would for an in-person parade.

- *Costumes must be school appropriate - No costumes with guns, swords, other weapons, or other inappropriate attire

- *Students can opt to not participate in dressing up but still attend a classroom's virtual activity.

- *Students will have the same expectation of appropriate behavior during the activity as normal.

- *Teachers will plan and schedule an Autumn activity (*ex. Read aloud a fall themed book, digital Breakout Activity, etc*).

- *The length of time for the activity for the live session is based on teacher discretion.

As of this communication, North Whitehall, South Whitehall, and Upper Macungie Townships will be holding "trick or treat" as regularly scheduled on October 30.