



BRYANT ELEMENTARY

All Means All: Every Student, Every Day

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Hello Bryant Families,

It is that time of the year again and we are looking forward to seeing our students and families back in our building again! This letter will have some helpful reminders and important back to school information for the upcoming school year. If you have any questions regarding information in this letter, don't hesitate to call Nicole Booker (secretary) or myself in the coming days or weeks.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR

- The first day of school for 3K and Grades 1-5 students is Friday, September 1st. 4K & Kindergarten students start school on Tuesday, Sept. 5th.
- The school learning day is from 8:55-3:25.
- Breakfast and lunch are available for all children. Breakfast is **free** to **all** students and is served from 8:15-8:45. Supervision is available in the cafeteria and on the playground beginning at 8:15. **Doors open @ 8:15 am. If you choose to send your child to school earlier than 8:15 please enroll them in the [Before/After school program](#) as no other supervision is available.**
- Your child will come home with a **RED** home/school folder daily. We will send weekly news/community updates electronically, as well as opportunities to volunteer throughout the school.
- Parents/Families are *always* welcome at Bryant. Please note that our doors are locked for safety from 8:55-3:25 and all visitors must have an appointment and sign in at our main office before moving to their destination.
- Fall pictures will be taken on Friday, September 22nd with retakes on Thursday, October 26th. We will be working with Cahill Studios again for school pictures this year.
- If you have any questions or concerns regarding busing, please contact Patrick Gillan, Director of Transportation, at 715-394-8706.
- If you have any questions or concerns about food services, please contact Jamie Wilson, Director of Food Services, at 715-394-8707.

BRYANT ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSE

Our staff has created an exciting open house to get your child off to a great start as they embark on their new year of learning at Bryant! The **Open House** will be held on **Tuesday, August 29th from 4:00-6:00 pm**. This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher, drop off learning supplies, and check out our school. The first day of school for 3K & 1st - 5th grade students is on Sept. 1st, 2023, and it will be a full day starting at 8:55 and ending at 3:25. 4K and Kindergarten students will begin school on Tuesday, Sept. 5th. We look forward to working with you, and cannot emphasize enough the importance of your involvement as a parent in your child's education, you know them best. Please feel free to stop in to introduce yourself, ask questions, share concerns, or to just say hello. We hope that Bryant Elementary will exceed your expectations!

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4K/KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES

In an effort to personalize your families Open House experience at Bryant we have created conference times for each family to meet with their child's 4K/Kindergarten teacher. During the open house on Tuesday, August 29th and on the additional open house on Friday, Sept. 1st, each family will have the opportunity to meet their teacher and tour their classroom prior to their 1st day on Tuesday, Sept. 5th. **Please see communication from SchoolMessenger to sign up for your conference time.**

SCHOOL POLICY - "AWAY FOR THE DAY"

The School District of Superior recognizes the importance of communication and collaboration, and provides electronic devices/laptops for all students to be productive in the classroom. When it comes to classrooms and teaching they have become much more of a distraction than a convenience tool. To keep the focus on academics and to reduce unnecessary distractions, we will be enforcing new cell phone expectations for students in grades K-12. We believe that for our students to reach their highest potential, their undivided attention needs to be focused on learning while attending school.

Students in grades K-12 will no longer be able to use their cell phones during the school day and they must be stored in their locker during school hours. Each school's main office is set up to fully communicate with every student should they need to be reached in case of emergency.

SCHOOL POLICY - VISITORS

As part of our revised school safety procedures, entrance to the school will be limited. **Families will be asked to remain outside the school when dropping off and picking up their child from school.** We want to continue to create a welcoming school environment; however, school safety is our top priority. We ask that **if you need to meet with school personnel you contact the school office to schedule an appointment prior to coming to the school** so we can closely monitor who is entering the school. **Any school visitors must sign in and out of the office and if asked, show ID.** This will ensure universal procedures across all schools.

PICK UP & DROP OFF

At Bryant Elementary, our primary concern for pick-up and drop-off is student safety. In order for all of us to ensure that, we must remain vigilant and aware of all individuals on our school grounds. If you are going to use the half moon loop in the front of the building, you will need to be aware that there needs to be one lane that remains unobstructed so that traffic can move through. Please do not double park in the middle of the loop while waiting for your child to come out of school. All vehicles using the loop for pick-up or drop-off must remain occupied by the driver at all times in case of an emergency or we need to direct traffic. If you need to park and come into the building, please use a parking space in the front lot, teacher's lot, or on the side streets of Central Ave. or John Ave.. If you are picking up or dropping off your child off John Ave. (West side) or the loop in front of the teacher's lot we ask that you instruct your children to walk the sidewalks into and out of the building. We will reinforce the same behavior so that we can prevent students from zig-zagging in and out of moving and parked cars. Also, during the period of time that buses are present in the West Loop, we ask that parents use the overflow lot (gravel lot by tracks), John Ave., or the teacher parking lot to drop-off or pick-up. Our buses run on a tight schedule and that loop needs to be unobstructed so the buses have room to maneuver. Again, our priority is student safety so we appreciate your cooperation.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

STUDENT & FAMILY HANDBOOK - Contains Code of Conduct

BACK TO SCHOOL INFORMATION - Important

If you have any questions, please feel free to call us @ 715-394-8785.

Regards,

Jason Kalin
Principal

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