

Dr. Charles Barnum Elementary School
September 20, 2019



From the principal...

Everyone seems to be settling in well. Classroom routines and climates are starting to settle down but are still a work in progress - it helps that the weather has been great for the students. Outdoor recess is good for everyone!

One of our focal points this year will be to better track attendance; please make sure your children are well rested and fed before coming to school (or eat here) - that makes a difference! If your child has missed school; please be sure to send a handwritten or doctor note to school for our records.

A reminder that picture day is next Friday. Be sure your child is on time with their best smile.

If you have any questions, feel free to send me an email. Have a great weekend everyone!

Seth Danner, Principal
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Attendance Matters. You Matter.



ATTENDANCE TOTALS FOR THE WEEK OF 9/16-9/20:
LATE ARRIVALS: 44 EARLY DISMISSALS: 46 ATTENDANCE: 97%

Charles Barnum Elementary School

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ **Sept. 27: Picture Day!**
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PARKING



There have been some concerns raised regarding the parking, especially in the afternoons. Space is limited! Please remember not to block handicap spaces and unattended cars should not be blocking other cars or the bus lanes. If you are able, please consider parking near the church and meeting your child at the stoplight. Thank you!



Barnum's Super Power for September: **Openness**

Three Ways to Stay Open:

- **Follow the Leader** - Always "Start with a Hello" and be sure to take turns when talking to a friend.
- **'Yes, and...'** - The next time you sit down and talk with someone, make eye contact, smile and let them know you are listening.
- **Everything is a Once-In-A-Lifetime Experience** - Be willing to try new thing at school in all classrooms. Who knows, you may find something new you like.

PTO NEWS

~ 10/2 - Popcorn
Wednesday!!

Ideas, comments or questions?
Share them with the PTO at:
cbpto@outlook.com



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From: Dr. Michael H. Graner, Superintendent of Groton Public Schools

In response to the concerns regarding Eastern Equine Encephalitis, I checked with Ledge Light Health District today and confirmed that we want to minimize outdoor activities from an hour before dusk to an hour after sunrise. I realize that many of our high school students and some of our middle school students are picked up by the school bus during the early morning hours when outdoor exposure should be minimized.

The health district recommended having students wear long pants and long sleeve shirts at early morning bus stops. In residential areas, the risk of exposure to mosquito bites is relatively low; however, in swampy areas, students should take more precautions.

I want to confirm these recommendations, and remind you to monitor the changing times of sunset and sunrise; we want to minimize outdoor activities an hour before sunset and the hour after sunrise.