# Melrose Bulldog Updates

A Message from the Principal

#### Welcome Back to School

#### Hello Bulldog Families,

It is almost time to welcome your children back to school. We are finalizing all of the details and will have classrooms and our campus ready for a great start to the school year. I know there are many different feelings, questions, and concerns about the start of the school year. We are committed to keeping all of our students and staff safe and building a strong community together. At this time visitors and volunteers are not allowed on campus while school is in session. We are hoping that as case rates diminish that this can change.



**Masks** are required for all students and we recommend they come to school each day with one on their face and a back up in their backpack. Breaks are encouraged and masks will not be worn outside. Face shields are allowed.

Please continue to review the "Welcome Back Hub" on the district website and follow our Facebook page for important updates and ways to connect.

- School Starts on August 30th at 8:45. Our campus will remain closed to visitors and volunteers at this time. The office is still available but all pick up and drop off for 1-5th grade students will be through the car/bus lane or walk up to the mural and we will escort students in. Kindergarten families can park in the gravel lot and walk to the base of the kinder stairs.
- Meet your Teacher Day is August 26th from 9:00 11:30. This will be a primarily outside event with your student being able to enter the classroom (with their mask) and take a peek inside. Parents/Guardians will not be allowed in the classroom at this time. Thank you for your help with this. Please visit our library for a free book and visit all of our other specialists.
- **Bus Transportation** lists are on the website. We will also have info at Meet the Teacher. Please check your time for pick up and drop off. Remember your child needs a mask to enter the bus.
- **School Supplies** are provided by PTAN with the exception of a backpack and a set of corded headphones. Please label coats, sweatshirts, lunch boxes, etc with your child's name so they can get back to your child if they misplace it.
- PTAN and RAISE RIGHT are two incredible ways you can be involved in your child's education.
   Please join us for the first meeting on September 7th at 5:45 in the school library. Also please download the RAISE RIGHT app on your phone so you can start helping our school right away.

RR will not replace Scrip but it is one of the best ways you can use scrip on the go and truly invest in our school without having to buy/sell a bunch of fundraising items.

- School Meals are provided to all students free of charge. Breakfast will be provided to students
  who are hungry upon arrival to school. Lunch menus are sent home monthly in the newsletter.
  Our amazing kitchen staff Jennifer and Mayumi work so hard to make this a positive experience
  in the cafeteria.
- **Medication updates** can take place in the office by the parent or guardian. Any prescribed medication must come in the original container. Students may not bring medication to school to keep in their backpack. This includes inhalers, pain relievers, and cough drops.
- School opens at 8:45. We ask that all 1-5th grade students stay in their car and you follow the
  direction of our staff for support during drop off. Please Do Not Use CELL PHONES while in the
  pick up lane and remember the speed limit is a CRAWL or 5 mph at ALL TIMES. The drop off
  process can take up to 15 minutes at the beginning. Please be patient and have your child all
  ready to unload when the adults give the directions.
- **School ends at 3:30** except for Wednesdays when we end at 2:30. Bus routes will return one hour earlier on Wednesday.

**Finally ILLNESS** - If your child is ill (cough, fever, runny nose, diarrhea, vomiting, etc.), or has been in the past 24 hours, please do not send them to school. If they have had fever reducing medicine in the past 24 hours, please do not send them to school. We appreciate your partnership on this and all matters related to illness. If your child is ill at school we will call you to come and pick up your child.

I appreciate our Bulldog Family and am truly excited to see your children, visit with each of you, and continue to grow together.

Be Well!

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**Upcoming Events** 







### Meet the Teacher

Come join us on August 26th between 9-11:30 for our Meet the Teacher event. Preview the campus, pick up a book, find some Bulldog gear, and more.

## August 30th

See you at 8:45 in the car lane or at kinder drop off. We will escort your students on to campus and give them a warm welcome.

# **PTAN Meeting**

Come join us at the PTAN meeting on September 7th in the library starting at 5:45. We need your help, ideas, and collaboration. Please mark your calendar.

