

# Melrose Bulldog Updates - August

A Message from the Principal

## Welcome Back to School

Hello Bulldog Families,

It is 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. We expect that the closure of the Conn Ford bridge will cause some delays and congestion. We hope you will join us in being extra patient and kind as we all work to deliver students and pick them up safely and efficiently.

Please 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 29th at 8:40. All pick up and drop off for 1-5th grade students will be through the car/bus lane or walk up to the mural. We will be utilizing additional security measures this year. Additional fencing, check in at the office and clarification of emergency contacts. We hope that these measures help you feel safe in bringing your child to school. Kindergarten families can park in the gravel lot and walk to the base of the kinder stairs. If you have other grade levels please park in the gravel lot to unload together or pull all the way forward and your kinder will be escorted to the stairs.
- **Bus Transportation** lists are on the website. Please check your time for pick up and drop off.
- **School Supplies** are provided by PTAN with the exception of a backpack, a set of corded headphones, and some kleenex. 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 6th 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 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 8:40.** 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 25th between 12-2:00 for our Meet the Teacher event. Preview the campus, meet with bus staff, find some Bulldog gear, and more. Feel free to bring your backpack, headphones and kleenex. All other supplies provided.



### August 29th

See you at 8:40 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 6th in the library starting at 5:45. We need your help, ideas, and collaboration. Please mark your calendar.

