Welcome to SLCSE-Bryant Middle School!

We are excited to have you here and look forward to a great year. Middle school years are crucial in both academic growth and social/emotional learning. The habits you develop in middle school will have a significant impact on your high school experience. So how can you make this the best possible experience? **Be here every day ready to learn and participate. Ask questions when you do not understand something. Do not be afraid of failure... embrace it! When you get something wrong, treat it as a learning opportunity. Finally, be supportive of your fellow students and teachers because we are stronger when we work together.**

Let’s all do our part to make this a great year!

Matthew Smith | Principal
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SLCSE-BRYANT MIDDLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION PROCESS

**Online Registration for 2023-24 School Year Will Open on Tuesday, August 1st**

The registration system has been modified to allow families to complete the process totally online. All supporting documents will be able to be uploaded into the registration system. We encourage families with internet access to use the online system for registration. For those whom the online system does not work, in-person registration will be held on Monday, August 7th from 12pm-6pm and Tuesday, August 8th from 8am-2pm. Please have the following items ready for online registration or bring them with you for in-person registration.

- **Up-to-date Immunization Records** (To receive copies of your student’s immunization records or to be given a vaccine/shot, please call your personal doctor, the County Health Clinic or visit [www.immunize.utah.org](http://www.immunize.utah.org) to learn about free or low-cost vaccines for students who meet certain criteria).

- **Original Birth Certificate or I-94**

- **Guardian Paperwork if applicable** (Custody Alert/Court Order etc.)

- **Proof of address** (recent utility bill or lease). This is required for all students.

- **If applicable, proof of income is required to apply for a “Class Fee Waiver.”** (Three months of check stubs, Child/Alimony Support, Social Security and Disability Income records etc.).

Once again, the **online registration system for our school will open on Tuesday, August 1st**. Your students pin will be sent to you prior to that date.

**REGISTRATION HELP**

If you run into complications during the registration process, our staff is available and happy to assist you in both English and Spanish.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Bryant Staff at 801-578-8118.

For more details on policies, please refer to the School Procedures page under the Our School tab on the Bryant Middle School website at [www.bryant.slcschools.org](http://www.bryant.slcschools.org).

*If you prefer a paper copy, please ask for one from the office staff.*
Title I
We have the opportunity to strengthen our program to meet the needs of all of our students with the federal support of Title I funding. We are actively addressing the following parent, guardian and community involvement Title I requirements. A working partnership is crucial for our students to succeed.

Understanding the school system:
As a Title I school, we work with parents/guardians to help them understand and navigate the school system. We share information about the standards for learning determined by the state, the materials and programs we use to teach those standards, and the tests we use to show how students are progressing. We will inform you about your child’s academic progress throughout the year. Communication with parents/guardians and community is a focus of our district and we value different ways parents contribute to the success of their children. To enhance the way parents/guardians are already supporting their children’s academic success at home, we will offer materials and ideas that parents/guardians might additionally use.

Right to know teacher qualifications:
As a parent/guardian, you have the right to request specific information about the qualifications of our teachers. If your child’s teacher is not considered “highly qualified”, we will notify you.

Shared Decision Making:
Parents are invited to participate in the school decision-making process, writing school plans, and assessing the effectiveness of school programs. We encourage all parents to participate. Please contact us if you would like to be involved.

Home & School Partnership:
Our school has a variety of formal ways to develop the home/school partnership such as Back to School Night, Parent-Teacher Conferences, School Community Council (SCC), Family Math and Literacy Nights, Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), school newsletters, and other opportunities. Please know we also value the informal yet important ways we work together through phone calls, emails, and visiting before and after school. We look forward to working with you this year!

Student Well-Being
SLCSE-Bryant strives to create an environment where students feel safe and are excited to learn. Counselors and the Well-Being Team at our school help educate students and are a valuable resource around their social and emotional learning. If you feel your student could use some extra support, please contact a counselor (801-578-8118 ext. 135) or school administrator.
**ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

Cell phones are a significant distraction for students and teachers, creating a negative impact on learning. Research shows the use of cell phones during class reduces short-term memory and can reduce productivity by up to 40%. If a student has a phone in their pocket, *simply not checking it* causes “brain drain.” It requires specific focus NOT to check a phone, which distracts from learning!

- **Personal electronic devices may not be used during the school day.** This includes phones, headphones, and ear buds. Students should keep their phones turned off and in their lockers. If faculty or administration see a student with a phone during school hours, it will be taken away.
  - Students will be able to pick up their device in the front office after school for the 1st or 2nd offense.
  - On the 3rd and subsequent offenses, the parent/guardian will need to collect the device from the office at the end of the day.
- There is a phone available in the front office for students who need to call parents.
- If you need to contact your student during the school day, please call the office and we will pass a message along to your student.
- The school is not responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen personal electronic devices.

**Dress Code**

Students are required to follow the District Dress Code Policy. All students are expected to dress appropriately. Please review this policy with your student.

The following would be in violation of the dress code:
- Clothing that does not cover undergarments.
- Clothing that does not provide opaque coverage of an individual’s buttocks, genitals, and breasts.
- Clothing must have a top and bottom or be an appropriate one-piece outfit. Shirts and dresses must have fabric in the front covering the abdomen, on the sides and under the arms, and in the back covering the upper and lower back.
- Clothing or jewelry that displays obscene, profane, vulgar, or pornographic words or images; that advertises or promotes racism, violence, hate groups, or the illegal use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products; or contains language, images, or symbols of sexual/sexist nature.
- Sunglasses may not be worn. Note: Hats and Hoodies are permitted. Teachers reserve the right to require students to remove hats or hoods during class time.
- Bare feet or unsafe footwear.
- Gang symbols: any article of clothing, badge, sign, lettering, hairdo, jewelry, emblem, symbol, or adornment, which is intended by the students, or is recognized or acknowledged by students or the Metro Gang Task Force to designate a gang symbol or to signify affiliation with, participation in, or approval of a gang. (See, S-3: Gang Signs, Symbols, Signals, Words, and Conduct Prohibited.)

**Transportation**

It is essential that students understand and follow the expectations listed below when riding the bus:

1. Students have designated stops and times. If you have questions regarding late buses, please call the Transportation Department at 801-974-8345.
2. Each time a student enters the bus, a bus pass must be presented to the driver.
3. If a student loses their bus pass, they can get a new one for $3 in the front office.
4. Students may only ride the bus they are assigned to.
5. Students who do not have a bus pass may lose their bus riding privilege for that day.
6. Students must comply with the bus rules posted in every bus.
   • Students may not create any disturbance on the bus that may distract the driver's attention from his/her driving.
   • All students must be in their seats while bus is moving.
   • Students should not throw anything in or out for the bus at any time.
   • Aisles must be always kept clear.
   • No part of the body may be extended from the window at any time.
   • The emergency door should be used only in an emergency.
   • Unsafe behavior or disrespect and defiance of the driver or fellow students shall result in loss of riding privileges.

CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian Information
It is important that Bryant’s office staff can reach you in case of an emergency. If your information changes at any time, please contact the school registrar or call us at 801-578-8118. Information used to contact you includes:
   • Your mailing address
   • Your phone number
   • Your email address

Emergency Contact and Release
At Bryant, we will use emergency contact information in the following situations:
   • In the case of an accident or extreme illness of your student, if we cannot reach a parent/guardian, we will contact someone on your emergency contact list.
   • People listed as emergency contacts can pick up your student from school during the school day. If someone is listed on your form, but is no longer authorized to pick up your student, please contact the Attendance Clerk in the office, or call us at 801-578-8118 and we will remove them from the list. Adults picking up students in the office will need to present a photo ID, such as a Driver’s License. **We cannot release your student to anyone who is not listed as an emergency contact. Reminder-Emergency contacts are not allowed to make decisions for the students.**

Protective Orders/Custody Issues
For court orders that effect your student, please notify the Registrar in the main office and provide a copy of the court order to be included in the student’s file. The court order must be in the schools possession to be enforced.

ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS
At SLCSE-Bryant, we understand that the process of education requires continuity of instruction, class participation, learning experience, and study, so we are concerned when a student misses school for any reason. Frequent absences from day-to-day classroom experiences disrupt their educational and instructional progress, so for that reason, **we want to see your student in school every day! 😊**
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Utah Compulsory Attendance Law (Code 534A-11-101-105)
Utah law requires that “Every school age child (ages 6-18) be enrolled in school and attend regularly.” Parents/guardians and students are responsible for regular attendance. Students may be excused from school attendance for illness, medical appointment, family emergencies, and death of family member or close friend, observance of religious holidays, and family activity or extended travel.

Excusal Notes
When a student is absent, the parent or guardian should either call the school or bring a note to the attendance office when the student returns to school. Excusal notes should be submitted within 5 school days of the student absence.

Extended Absences
If a parent/guardian knows their student will miss school five or more school days, please come to the office to fill out an extended absence note before the absence occurs.

Unless it is urgent, please try to make appointments for medical or dental work, music or dance lessons, and/or family vacations at times that do not conflict with your student’s education.

Hall Passes
If a student needs to leave the classroom during instruction time, they should carry a valid hall pass, provided by the teacher.

Student Health
If your student is ill, we will contact you to pick them up. If a parent/guardian is unavailable, we will call an adult on your emergency contact list.
- We do not stock, store, or distribute medication for general use. SLCSE-Bryant staff will not give students medication without a district release form from parents.
- Students who require a health care plans for a specific health condition should turn in a completed “S-9: Student Medication Form” to the Principal, Mr. Smith. Kari Harward, the school nurse, will coordinate with parents/guardians and Mr. Smith to set up the health care plans that meet the student’s needs.
- No student is to attend school when suffering from any type of illness during its contagious period (ie. pink eye, strep throat, etc.).
- In the case of a head injury, a parent/guardian will be notified by phone.
- Feminine hygiene products are available upon request.

How do I reduce the spread of contagious illness?
- Have exceptional physical hygiene
- Wash hands
- Sanitize hands
- Shower and do laundry daily
- Clean your workspace area when finished in class, lunchroom, etc

Please keep your child home from school in the following scenarios:
- Your child was sick with vomiting or diarrhea within the last 24 hours
- Your child had a fever of 100 degrees or higher at any time within the last 24 hours.
- Your child has strep throat. After 24 hours on antibiotics, they may return to school.
- Your child has crusted or matted eyelashes and/or green, yellow, or white sticky eye drainage and redness. Please note: your child should see a doctor for medication if it is “pink eye”.

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**Elevators**
Elevator use is restricted. If your student has a physical disability, either permanent or temporary, please bring a doctor’s note to the secretary for permission to use the elevator.

**Lockers**
Lockers are school property. We have noticed an increase in students arriving to classes on time and prepared since discontinuing locker use during the pandemic. While not using lockers began as a Covid-19 mitigation strategy, we plan to continue the policy for these benefits. Students will be allowed to carry a backpack from class to class.

**Lost or Stolen Items**
Please let the office know right away if something is lost, stolen or found. Electronic devices will be kept in the office. Other items will be placed in the lost and found rack located on the side hallway by the cafeteria. **Personal property brought to school is the sole responsibility of the owner.**

**Lunch Accounts**
Students have their own lunch accounts. Parents/Guardians can pay in advance - either online or at the Treasurer’s Window. Applications for free/reduced meals are available in the front office. For any questions regarding free/reduced meals, please call the Child Nutrition department at 801-974-8380. Parents/guardians will receive reminder calls from Salt Lake City School District for any negative balances on lunch accounts.

**Public Display of Affection**
Professional expectations for behavior apply at SLCSE-Bryant. Mutual respect, friendship, and affection are appropriate. However, excessive public displays of affection are not appropriate.

**Schedule Changes**
Parents and students can request schedule changes for the first 2 weeks of a new semester, or under extenuating circumstances. To make a request, fill out a request form and turn it in to the counselling office. **Class changes are not guaranteed.**
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## School Fees

### Required Fees

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### Elective Fees (Students only pay fees for classes they are enrolled in)

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If you would like to make a monetary donation to our school, please do so through the Salt Lake Education Foundation.

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