

ORCHARD PARK ELEMENTARY

Parent Guide to PBIS



What is PBIS?

It is not a program or curriculum, rather a school-wide system that teaches and encourages positive behavior. It creates school environments that are more predictable and effective for achieving academic and social goals. PBIS will enhance our current practices and create a more positive culture in our district. Building positive relationships between staff and students is a priority in PBIS.

How does PBIS work?

A key strategy of the PBIS process is prevention. Through direct instruction, regular practice, and positive recognition, all teachers and staff members will use a consistent set of behavior expectations. Kettering City Schools have adopted three behavior expectations for all students and staff.

4 Key Components

1. Clear expectations for behavior are defined.
2. Students are taught expectations throughout the year.
3. Positive behavior is reinforced through an acknowledgement system.
4. Data is used to determine successes and barriers to reaching the desired behavior and academic goals.

The Behavior Matrix

The behavior matrix is a detailed description of the expected behaviors in each setting of our school. The school-wide behavior matrix is posted around the school and in classrooms.

Does it make a difference?

The PBIS model is a research based strategy that is supported by the Ohio Department of Education. The 3-tiered approach reduces problem behavior as a barrier to student achievement. Research shows that schools following the PBIS model show a decrease in student discipline and an increase in student engagement.

What about parents?

Parents are an important part of PBIS implementation. We encourage parents to talk with your student about expectations that the school teaches. This common language creates consistency and a unified support for expected student behavior. Children thrive when they have consistent, predictable expectations and consequences.

Please review the following pages for important PBIS updates.

LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

PBIS routines and expectations for each area of the building. .

Classroom

Each classroom will differ but we all follow the school rules: be safe, be respectful, and be responsible.

Cafeteria

Sit at assigned table.

Raise hand to ask to get out of seat.

Eat only your own food.

Promptly clean up and leave cafeteria at a level 0-no talking voice.

Listen to the adults leading lunch.

Recess

Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself.

Take turns and share equipment.

Take care of school equipment.

Have good sportsmanship.

Clean up and line up quietly when called.

Listen to the adults leading recess.

Car Line

Stand in grade level line on the (X) and listen closely for name to be called.

K-2 car pick-up will be on the west side of the building.

Grades 4-5 car line will be on Brubaker (4th on one side & 5th on the other).

If a student has a older sibling (3rd-5th) they can line up together at Brubaker.

Restrooms

Flush toilets, wash hands, and throw trash in the trash cans.

Stay at a level 0 in the bathrooms.

Be private and allow others to have privacy.

Keep the floors and walls dry and clean.

Return to class quickly and quietly.

Arrival

Students can not be dropped off until 8:00 am. If they are having breakfast they can walk into the building at 7:45 am to eat. The tardy bell rings at 8:15 and Morning Meeting in the cafeteria starts shortly after.

Dismissal

Students will exit via the north double doors from the cafeteria, into the lobby, and out to the bus using walking feet. OP After School care will go into the cafeteria and wait for instructions from their after school teacher.

Firebirds are **Safe, Respectful** and **Responsible**.



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Parent Guide to PBIS-Firebird Bucks

What is a Firebird Buck?

A Firebird Buck is like money but only works at Orchard Park! You can use it to buy a ticket to the Big Event or things at our monthly store!

Who Can Give a Firebird Buck?

Any staff member can give any student in the building a Firebird buck! We love to catch our students making the right choices.

Who Can Receive a Firebird Buck?

A Firebird Buck can be given to any student showing qualities of being safe, respectful, or responsible.

Should Firebird Bucks Come Home?

No, these are only good at OP and should remain and stored at school.

Firebird Buck Store

Monthly students can purchase items at the Firebird Buck Store with their saved Bucks. Our 5th graders run and operate our store.

Quarterly Big Events

Each quarter we have something called our Quarterly Big Event. All students are welcome to participate if they have earned enough Firebird Bucks for that quarter. Once they work hard to save, they can purchase a ticket from their teacher to attend. If they don't earn enough for that quarter they can try again for the next quarter or purchase something from the Firebird Buck Store. We often change what the Big Event will be but increase the price of a ticket as the year progresses.

Quarter 1-10 Firebird Bucks
Quarter 2-15 Firebird Bucks

Quarter 3-20 Firebird Bucks
Quarter 4-25 Firebird Bucks



Parent Pro Tip: Specifically ask your child if he/she received a Firebird Buck and then ask how it was earned!



Please sign and return.

My child and I have read over and understand how PBIS works.

Parent signature: _____

Student signature: _____