

South Breeze Elementary

Parent Information Packet

2024 - 25



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Important Quick Links



South Breeze Elementary Website

South Breeze Facebook Page



Infinite Campus Parent
Portal Guide - English



Infinite Campus Parent
Portal Guide - Espanol



Newton USD 373 Elementary Handbook

Newton USD 373 Elementary
Handbook - Espanol



Fee and Payment Information



South Breeze Elementary Before/After School Procedures



Before School Procedures:

Front Entrance Opens at 7:35am

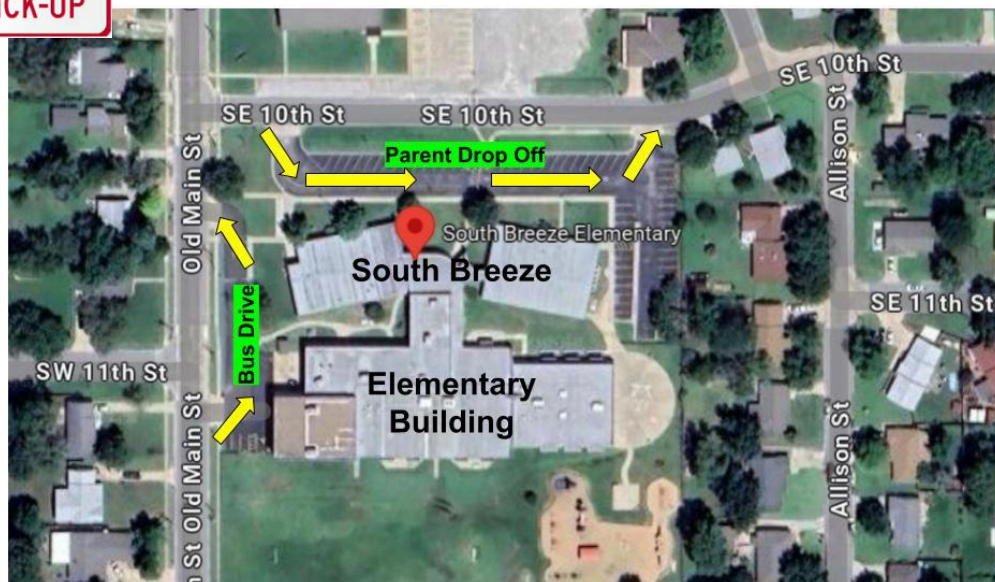
- The front door entrance doors will be open at 7:35 am each morning
- Students may come into the building through the front entrance
- Students who are eating breakfast will go directly to the cafeteria. All other students will go directly to the South Breeze gym
- Students are not allowed to go to their classrooms until we dismiss from the gym
- Students will walk with their teacher and class from the gym to their classroom each morning when dismissed
- Only use crosswalks when crossing the street or South Breeze parking lot

After School Procedures:

- Students who walk home or get a ride should leave school immediately after school. Students should not “hang out” on school grounds or on the playground
- If students have a ride, please pick them up promptly at dismissal time
- Students who attend NRC Clubhouse will go directly to the gym after school
- Students who ride the bus should meet in the designated area until the bus arrives and/or leaves
- Only use crosswalks when crossing the street or South Breeze parking lot

Parent Drop Off/Pickup Traffic Patterns

Students should always walk on the sidewalk when moving to a building entrance. Be safe and watch for cars at all times.



South Breeze Elementary

Behavior Expectations

This year, we will be working on teaching schoolwide expectations for students that will help them be successful in the classroom. The chart below is one resource that we will use to help remind students of our expectations while at South Breeze. We will also teach students specific expectations across the building including, in the cafeteria, restroom, hallway, gym, classroom, etc. All teachers will review these expectations with students throughout the year.

Railer Expectations

- Be Respectful:

- I care for my property & the property of others.
- I use appropriate actions & language.

- Show Responsibility:

- I take responsibility for my actions.
- I come to school ready to learn.
- I give my best effort everyday.
- I step away from unsafe situations & find an adult.

- Build Relationships:

- I keep my hands and feet to myself.
- I walk calmly when inside the building.
- I am honest & trustworthy.



BE RESPECTFUL. SHOW RESPONSIBILITY. BUILD RELATIONSHIPS.

2024-2025 Elementary Handbook Changes

Parents- please be aware of several important handbook changes

Electronic Devices

Electronic devices such as cell phones and **smartwatches** that have the same capabilities as cell phones, CD players, MP3 players, games, etc. may be used with supervision or after the school day has ended. **These items should remain in lockers or backpacks during the day.** If used inappropriately, these items may be confiscated and future privileges denied. Interruptions of class caused by cell phones will be considered inappropriate behavior.

Students who bring and/or parents who send personal electronic devices to school with their students do so at their own risk. The district shall not be liable for any personal electronic devices which are lost, stolen, or damaged while at school, in school vehicles, or at school sponsored events.

What this means- Students will be required to leave all smartwatches in their lockers or backpacks

Field Trips

In connection with our educational program, your written consent to take your student on trips during the school year is required. This consent form is provided to parents through Infinite Campus Online Registration. This authorization will eliminate the need for special permission before each excursion.

Parents will be informed of each trip. If you do not wish your student to participate, you as a parent must send written notification to the teacher before the trip.

Consent to participate in the field trip also includes consent to allow video taken on the district's school buses and at other locations that may include your student to be viewed by other students, parents and appropriate officials as deemed necessary in the administration of the school system and its disciplinary procedures. You may view any video containing student records of your child that is kept by the District upon written request to the Superintendent.

Students who exhibit disruptive or inappropriate behavior will be ineligible to participate in field trips. Field trips are intended to enrich learning experiences and promote positive interactions among students and educators. Students must demonstrate respect for themselves, peers, and staff to maintain the privilege of attending these outings.

Criteria for Disqualification:

- Persistent disruptive behavior in class or during school activities.
- Violation of school rules or codes of conduct.
- Failure to adhere to instructions from teachers or chaperones.
- Any behavior that compromises the safety or well-being of others.

What this means- Students who do not display appropriate behaviors will not be allowed to go on school-sponsored field trips.

Toy Guidelines

Students are not allowed to bring toys, games, or other recreational items to school. This includes but is not limited to action figures, dolls, trading cards, electronic devices, board games, and stuffed animals.

Exceptions — Exceptions to this policy may be made by school staff for educational purposes, show-and-tell, or special events with prior approval from a teacher or administrator.

Responsibility of Parents/Guardians — Parents/guardians are responsible for ensuring that their child understands and complies with this policy. Parents/guardians should regularly check their child's backpack to ensure no prohibited items are brought to school.

Confiscation and Return of Toys — Confiscated toys will be held in the school office until a parent or guardian can retrieve them. The school will not be responsible for any loss, damage, or theft of confiscated toys.

What this means- Students should not bring toys to school from home!

South Breeze Elementary Who To Contact

South Breeze Elementary Phone Number: 316-284-6560

South Breeze Elementary Website: <https://southbreeze.usd373.org/>

South Breeze Elementary Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/SouthBreezeElementary>

Contact South Breeze Social Worker

Jenny Switzer, Social Worker – jennifer.switzer@usd373.org

Contact Administrator

Joey Menninga, Principal - joey.menninga@usd373.org

Parent Portal Access (Infinite Campus): Contact South Breeze Front Office for login information

Email Staff Member: South Breeze website directory - [SB Staff Directory link](#)

Fee Payments: Infinite Campus Parent Portal (see QR code link in this packet)



School Resources Information

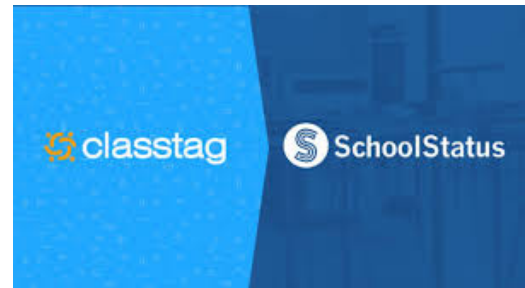
You may hear about Infinite Campus and Classtag when talking about your student's education. Here is a guide to explain the difference between these resources.

Infinite Campus (grades, attendance, fees, food service)



- Infinite Campus is a Student Information System (SIS)
- Infinite Campus is the resource that the district uses to track student attendance, demographic information, behavior reports, and grades
- This is the main platform used for updating student grades, attendance, and fee payments

Classtag (or School Status Connect)



- Teachers all have their own pages
- Information and Class Newsletters are posted on Classtag
- Messages may be sent from the teacher through Classtag
- Classroom teachers will communicate with their classes more about this resource and will give families login information later in the school year



South Breeze Elementary

24-25 Important Dates

August 13 - Meet Your Teacher Night, 5:30-7pm
August 14 - First Day of School for Students - ½ Day with Students
August 14,15,16
August 15 - First full day of school with students (grades 1-4)
August 19,20 - Kindergarten student attend ½ Day (8am-12pm)
August 21 - First full day of school for kindergarten students
September 2 - No School, Labor Day Holiday
September 5 - Fall Picture Day
September 11 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
October 2 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
October 10 - End of First Quarter
October 11 - No School for Students
October 23 - Fall Picture Retakes
October 28 - Fall P/T Conferences, 3:30-7:30pm
October 29 - Fall P/T Conferences, 3:30-7:30pm
October 31 - No School for Students
November 1 - No School, Fall Break
November 13 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
November 25-29 - Thanksgiving Break
December 11 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
December 19 - End of 2nd Quarter/1st Semester
December 20 - No School for Students
December 20 - January 6 - Winter Break, No School for Students
January 7 - First Day of Second Semester with Students
January 16, 17, 20 - No School for Students
January 22 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
Feb. 11 - Spring P/T Conferences, 3:30-7:30pm
February 12 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
Feb. 13 - Spring P/T Conferences, 3:30-7:30pm
March 5 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
March 13 - End of 3rd Quarter
March 14 - 21 - No School for Students, Spring Break
April 2 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
April 18 and 21 - No School for Students
May 14 - Early Release Day, Students Dismissed at 1:10pm
May 22 - End of 4th Quarter/2nd Semester, Last Day of School for Students!

Newton Schools Attendance Calendar 24-25



USD 373 Attendance Calendar 2024-25

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Aug 8	Tchrs Report - Prof Dev Day
Aug 9	1/2 PD, 1/2 Workday
Aug 12	Professional Dev Day
Aug 13	Teacher Workday
Aug 14	1st Day School: Gr1-9 1/2 day & 1/2 Workday PM
Sept 2	Labor Day
Oct 10	End of 1st Quarter
Oct 11	Workday

Oct 31	Professional Dev Day
Nov 1	No School
Nov 25-29	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 19	End 1st Semester
Dec 20	Workday
Dec23-Jan3	Winter Break
Jan 6	Workday
Jan 16	Professional Dev Day
Jan 17	No School

Jan 20	MLK Day
Mar 13	End of 3rd Quarter
Mar 14	Workday
Mar 17-21	Spring Break
Apr 18	Good Friday - No School
Apr 21	Professional Dev Day
May 22	Last Day of School
May 23	Workday

Parent Teacher Conference Weeks: Oct (TBD) and Feb (TBD)

Holidays - No Sch	Workdays - No Sch	Prof Days - No Sch	New Tchr Orientation
Early Release - school dismisses at 1:10 p.m. Teachers have 2hrs of Prof. Development			

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