

July 18, 2025

Britton Bears.

It's hard to believe that in just 26 days, we will open our doors to the inaugural class of Mary E. Britton Middle School! We are thrilled to begin this exciting new chapter and can't wait to welcome our students and families. We have a few announcements and reminders to pass along to you, so please read carefully!

Britton Bash

Join us for our first-ever **Britton Bash** on **Monday**, **August 11**, **from 6:00–7:30 PM**. All teachers will be in attendance, and families are invited to:

- Visit classrooms
- Learn about athletic and extracurricular programs
- Meet community partners and local vendors
- Enjoy dinner from food trucks

This is an open house format, so feel free to come and go at your convenience. We look forward to seeing you there!

First Day of School

The first day of school is **Wednesday**, **August 13**, and our doors will open at **8:35 AM**. Please review the updated traffic pattern on the attached map. Based on feedback from our June and July simulation camps, we've made a few adjustments:

- The car lane will split into two one-way exit lanes.
 - Right lane: Exit to Winchester Rd.
 - o **Left lane:** Exit to Man O' War Blvd.
- You will not be able to switch lanes once entered, so please plan accordingly.

Arrival Procedures:

- Walkers and car riders will enter near the Youth Services Center, as shown on the map.
- Students will not be allowed to enter through the main lobby.
- To ensure a smooth start to the day, parents will not be permitted to escort students into the building.

Once inside, students will be greeted by staff and guided to their assigned grade-level locations. From there, they will report to a classroom based on their last name as outlined below:

Classroom Assignments to Begin the First Day

6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
A-Bo: A102	A-Br: A202	A-B: C206
Br-C: A106	Bu-D: A206	C-E: C208
D-G: A108	E-Ha: A210	F-H: C210
H-K: A110	He-L: A214	J-L: C224
L-M: A126	M-N: A226	M-O: C228
N-Ri: A128	O-P: A228	P-R: C230
Ro-Th: A130	R-S: A230	S: C232
Ti-Z: A136	T-Z: A236	T-Z: C237

Students will receive a newly printed schedule and be dismissed to their first period class to begin the day.



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Dismissal and Bus Transportation

Bus riders must be registered through FCPS at <u>fcps.net/bus</u>. To avoid any issues with transportation home, **please complete registration by August 3**.

Student and Family Handbook

Please take time to review our <u>Student and Family Handbook</u> with your student before the first day. It includes important information such as:

- Dress code
- Discipline procedures
- Yondr pouch implementation (cell phones will not be permitted in class starting day one; pouches begin August 21)

We will also be reviewing the handbook with students during the first week.

Additionally, the FCPS Student Code of Conduct is available online. If you prefer a printed copy, a request form is included on the webpage.

- Student and Family Handbook- https://britton.fcps.net/students/student-and-family-handbook
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Upcoming Simulation Camps

We still have two more **Simulation Camps** this month—**July 23** and **July 30**, from **6:00–7:30 PM**. These camps provide a great opportunity for students to explore the building and ease any first-day jitters. We encourage every student to attend at least one session.

We can't wait to welcome our Britton Bears!

We are building something truly special at Mary E. Britton Middle School. Whether it's at Britton Bash, a Simulation Camp, or on the first day of school, we are excited to connect with you and kick off a year full of learning, growth, and community. Thank you for partnering with us to make this inaugural year one to remember.

Sincerely,

Dave Hoskins Principal