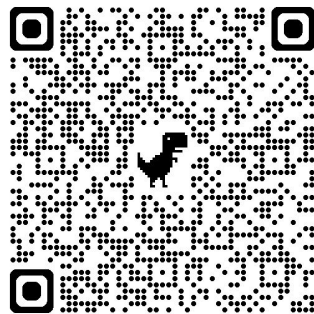


Welcome to Wellington

Kindergarten 2025-2026



Welcome to Wellington!

Mrs. Strange-Principal

Mrs. Esenbock- Assistant Principal

Mr. Harvey- Administrative Dean

WE ARE SO EXCITED TO WELCOME YOU TO WELLINGTON!
PLEASE KNOW THAT WE WILL BE WITH YOU EVERY STEP
OF THE WAY...WE WILL LOVINGLY TAKE CARE OF YOUR
BABY.

KINDERGARTEN IS AN AMAZING YEAR IN ANY LITTLE
ONES LIFE. WE ARE HONORED TO WALK THIS JOURNEY
WITH YOU!





Agenda



Parents

9:00-10:00 or 12:30-1:30

- Welcome!
- Counseling Team
- Office Information
- Parent Communication
- Nurse Information
- Breakfast & Lunch
- Family Resource Coordinator
- PTA
- School Tour

Students

9:00-11:30 or 12:30-3:00

- Classroom Time
learning classroom skills
- Bathroom Practice
- School Tour
- Lunch Practice with
Snack in the Cafeteria
- Recess
- Dismissal

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Counseling Team
We are here to lovingly care for
your baby!

Counseling Team



Ashley Keys
Guidance
Specialist



Jordan Bentley
District Mental Health
Specialist



Anna Franklin
District Mental Health Specialist



Counseling Team

We lovingly care for ALL students. Guidance and counseling programs, activities, and services focus on helping children experience healthy growth for future success. We are looking forward to working together for your child to have the best school experience possible!

Counseling Team Page



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Front Office

**Pertinent Information regarding
transportation and attendance**



Front Office Team



Morgan Ward
Family Resource
Coordinator

**morgan.ward@fayett
e.kyschools.us**



Erin Warren
Registrar

**erin.warren@fayett
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Robin Moore
Attendance Clerk

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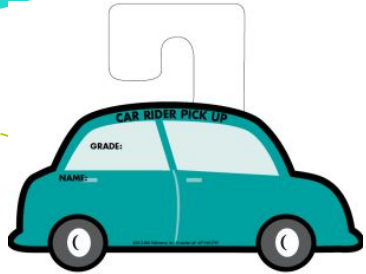


Tracy Jefferson
Bookkeeper

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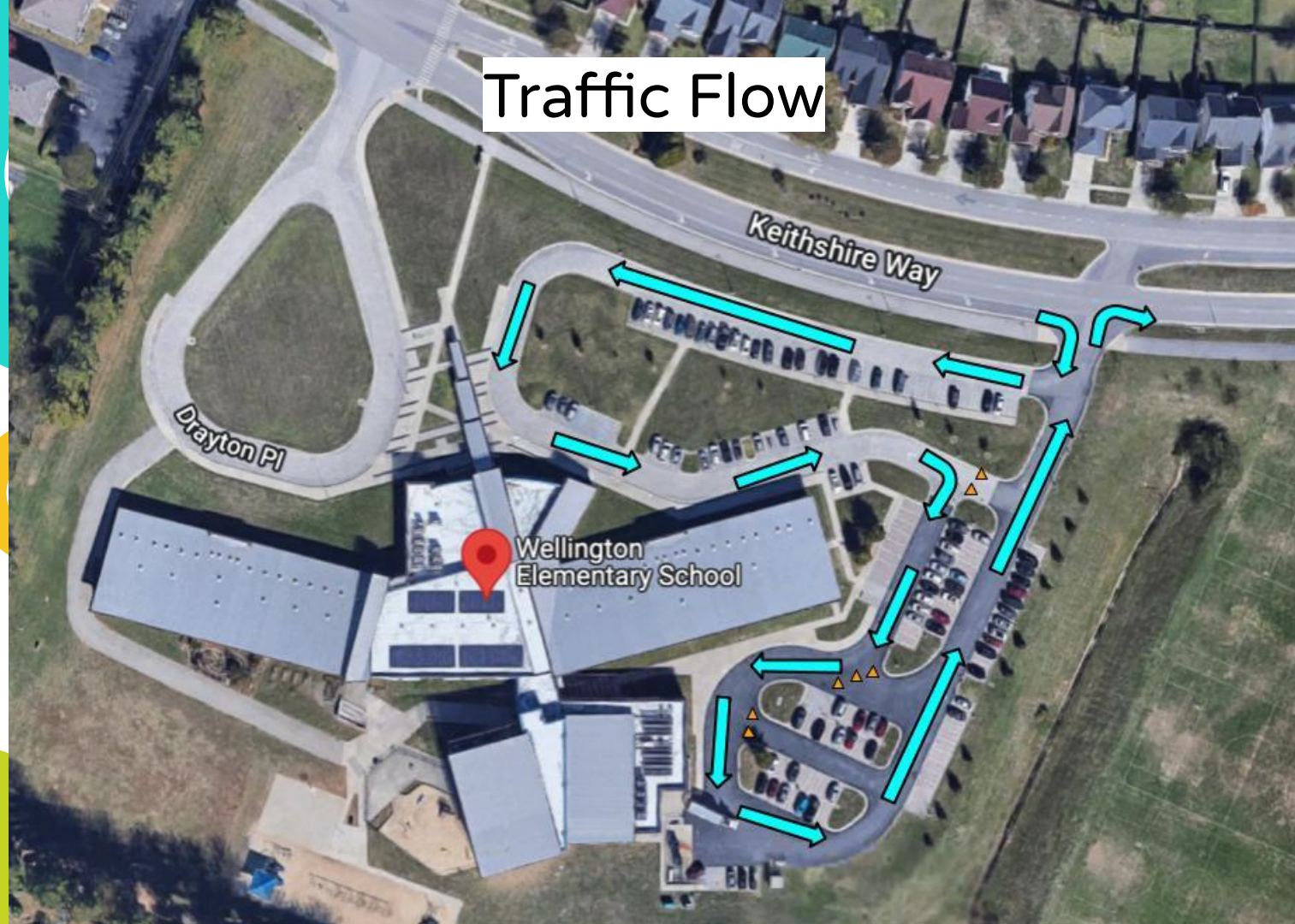
All students at Wellington will get a Car Rider hang tag, regardless of regular afternoon transportation.



You should have received a car tag when you checked in this morning.

You will use this to pick up your child today!

Traffic Flow





Dismissal - Today Only

- Remain in vehicle
- Form car line in parking lot beginning at the front doors.
- Hang new car tag on your mirror so we can identify students. The new car tag replaces having to check IDs.
- Students will be brought out beginning at 11:30 am and 3:00 pm respectively

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What are options for my child to get home?

Your child can ride the bus home/daycare, can walk home, or be picked up by car in the car rider line.

Students can also sign up for Compass Zone, Wellington's after school program.

For information, contact Churetah Meaux at churetah.meaux@fayette.kyschools.us

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Does someone need to meet my child at the bus stop or Wellington's front doors if walking home?

Yes, all kindergarten students must have a designated person meet them at the bus stop or at the front doors of the school in order for them to be released. Picture identification is required.

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If I need to change my child's mode of transportation, how do I do that?

You will need to send in a note to the front office or email to:

wellington.transportation@fayette.kyschools.us

explaining the change. **Changes must be received in the front office by 1:00 pm.**

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Can my child be dismissed to the front office at dismissal?

Due to safety and supervision concerns, **no student can be dismissed to the front office during dismissal.** If you wish to pick them up right before or at the bell, they must be a walker or a car rider.



Can I walk my child to class in the morning?

For the first 3 days, you may escort your child to their classroom. After that, we ask that students be escorted by Wellington staff.



ParentSquare: Your New School Connection!

- ◎ All-in-One Communication: Get all school and classroom messages in one place, translated into your preferred language (email, text, app, web).
- ◎ Stay Informed & Engaged: Easily keep up with news, events, and photos, and communicate directly with teachers and staff.
- ◎ Manage School Tasks: Fill out forms, sign permission slips, and sign up for conferences or volunteer opportunities.
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Pertinent Information regarding
student meals



Breakfast and Lunch

Wellington no longer qualifies for Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) under the USDA's National School Breakfast and Lunch Program.

Because of this, students will not automatically qualify for free or reduced lunch but will have to apply to receive this status.

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Breakfast and Lunch Prices

A healthy breakfast and lunch will be provided to students each day if you would like for them to purchase one.

Breakfast: \$2.00

Lunch: \$2.75



Free and Reduced Lunch

Some families will qualify for free or reduced breakfast and lunch. If your family receives SNAP or KTAP you automatically qualify.

Everyone else that meets eligibility requirements will need to complete an application.

Free and Reduced Lunch Application



How do I put money in my child's lunch account for a la carte/extras?

You may send cash or check through your child's backpack. If you prefer to use a credit card, you may add money through My School Bucks:

<https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/getmain.action?clientKey=&requestAction=home>

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Can I eat lunch with my child?

Yes! We would love to have you in the Friends and Family Cafe. Thank you for bringing your picture id, and signing in in the front prior to going to the cafeteria.

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Can I bring outside food?

Restaurant food is not permitted.
Students may pack a lunch from home
or buy lunch in the cafeteria.

Please do not bring food from
restaurants when you have lunch with
your child.

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Do students get a snack?

Snack is not a required part of our instructional day.

Students may have an opportunity to take a snack, brought from home, outside to Wellness time if they would like to enjoy it at that time.



Attendance Policy

Students in Fayette County Public Schools are required to attend regularly and punctually the school in which they are enrolled.

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What do I need to do when my child is absent?

When your child misses school, you will receive an automated phone call notifying you of the absence. You will need to send a note within 3 school days to the front office upon your child's return to school. All absences/tardies will remain unexcused until proper and accepted documentation is received.

[wellington.attendance @fayette.kyschools.us](mailto:wellington.attendance@fayette.kyschools.us)

WE NEED YOUR LITTLE ONE HERE EVERY DAY THEY ARE WELL
ENOUGH TO BE HERE!



Attendance Policy: Unexcused Absences

All absences except those with permissible excuses are unexcused absences.

Permissible excuses can be found in the Student Code of Conduct

<https://www.fcps.net/families/code-of-conduct>



Attendance Policy: Truancy

Any student who has been absent from school without valid excuse for three days or more, or tardy without valid excuse on three days or more, is considered truant.



Attendance Policy: Tardies

A student is considered tardy if he or she arrives after the designated school start time or leaves before the end of the instructional day.

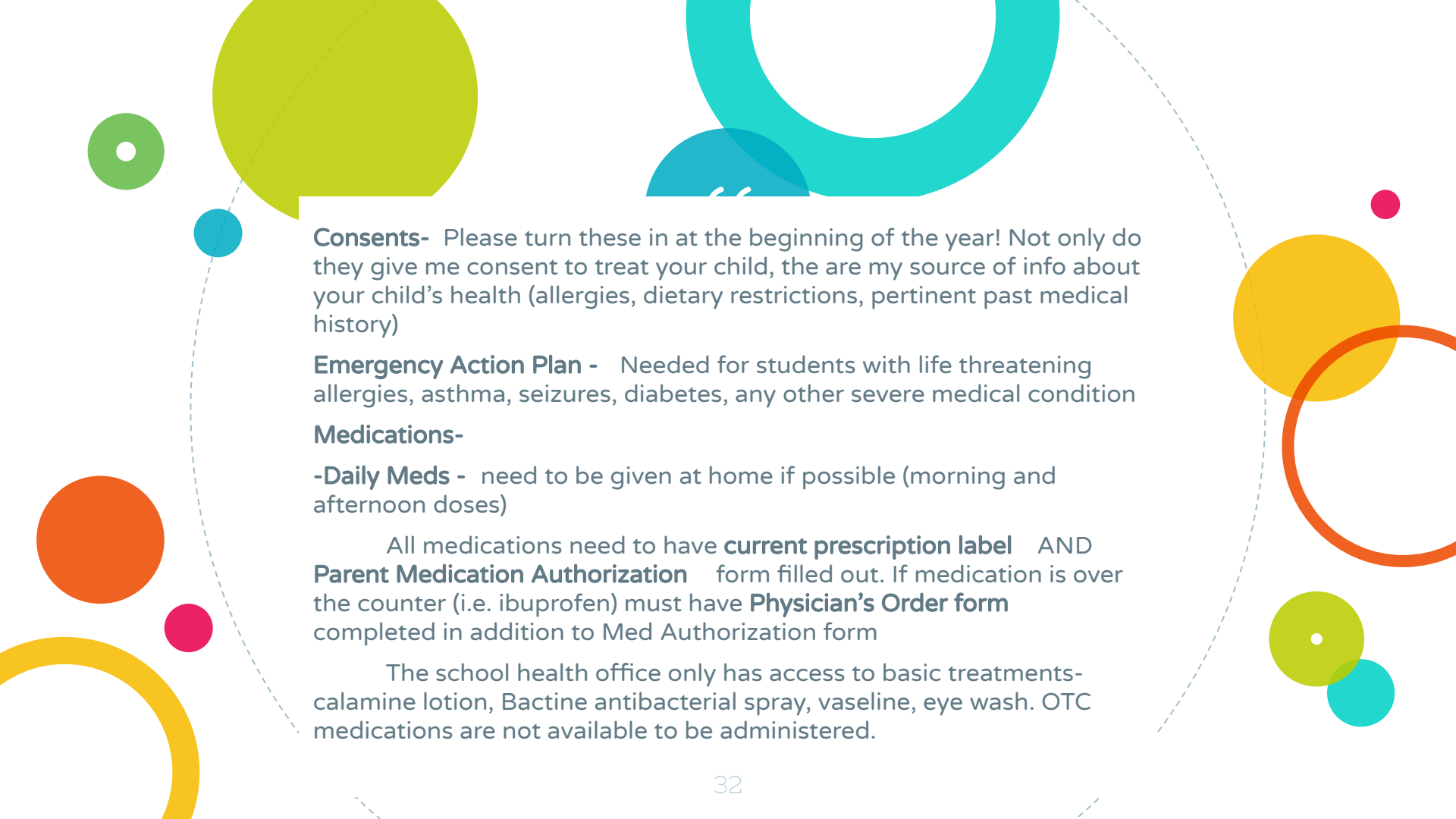
The first bell rings and 7:40 am and the tardy bell rings when instructions start which is 7:45 am. School dismisses at 2:35 pm.



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Katie Hansford
School Nurse





Consents- Please turn these in at the beginning of the year! Not only do they give me consent to treat your child, they are my source of info about your child's health (allergies, dietary restrictions, pertinent past medical history)

Emergency Action Plan - Needed for students with life threatening allergies, asthma, seizures, diabetes, any other severe medical condition

Medications-

-Daily Meds - need to be given at home if possible (morning and afternoon doses)

All medications need to have **current prescription label** AND **Parent Medication Authorization** form filled out. If medication is over the counter (i.e. ibuprofen) must have **Physician's Order form** completed in addition to Med Authorization form

The school health office only has access to basic treatments- calamine lotion, Bactine antibacterial spray, vaseline, eye wash. OTC medications are not available to be administered.



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When will my child be sent home from school?

Fever of 100.4 or above, vomiting*, diarrhea or if it is highly recommended by the nurse

Please keep your child home if they are sick! FCPS policy states that students need to remain home until free from fever, vomiting, diarrhea for 24 hours without the use of medication.

Contact Info:

Talking Points- Katie Hansford

Email- 165.katherinehansford@fayette.kyschools.us

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Family Resource Center
Mrs. Morgan Ward



What is the FRC?

The Family Resource Center is funded through the state government and falls under The Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

The goal of the FRC is to remove any non-academic barriers that may interfere with student learning.



Services Offered through the FRC

- Access to Community Resources
- Referrals for Financial Assistance
- Clothing Closet & Laundry Support
- School Supplies
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Holiday Assistance
- Family Nights and Events for the Whole Family!



Can I send extra clothes to keep in my child's cubby/backpack?

Absolutely! In fact, we recommend keeping an entire change of clothes (seasonally appropriate pants/shorts, shirts, underwear, and socks) in a gallon-sized ziplock baggie, as accidents do happen.



Can I donate to the FRC?

Yes! We can take donations of gently used, clean clothing items and shoes.

Or you can visit the PTA's amazon page to donate clothing items or snacks to the FRC.

Wish List



Contact Information

To Contact Me:

- ☉ Phone - (859) 422-1440
- ☉ Email - morgan.ward@fayette.kyschools.us
- ☉ Parent Square- @Morgan Ward



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A word from Rebekah
Curtis, PTA President

<https://www.facebook.com/WellingtonPTA>



Wellington PTA

Making every child's
potential a reality!

What is PTA?

The Parent Teacher Association is a
non-profit organization working to
support students & the school.

Who can join?

Parents, caregivers, family, staff & more-
anyone can become a member of PTA!



Wellington PTA

What does the PTA do?

PTA provides a way for parents to connect to their student's school.

We host family events, provide support for school programs, fundraise for class and student resources, and work to provide fun and encouraging opportunities for students!

We NEED you! Join today!

<https://wellingtonelementary.givebacks.com/store>

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