



BARNWELL ELEMENTARY

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Back to School Update #1 July 24, 2025

Dear Barnwell Families,

We are just about two weeks away from the start of a brand-new school year, and we couldn't be more excited about welcoming our students back into the building!

The first day of school is **Monday, August 4th**, and we are busy preparing for a great year ahead filled with learning, growth, and community.

To help you stay connected and informed throughout the year, please keep an eye out for my Barnwell Newsletter, which will be delivered to your inbox every other Thursday afternoon. These updates contain important reminders, event details, and highlights of what's happening in our school—so we encourage you to take a moment to read each one.

We also recommend bookmarking our [Barnwell website](#) and staying in close communication with your child's teacher for updates on classroom activities and school-wide events.

Sneak Peek/Open House:

We're excited to invite you to our Sneak Peek event, which will take place on Thursday, July 31st at the following times:

<i>Student's Last Name</i>	<i>Sneak Peek Time</i>
A thru L	8:00 am to 9:00 am
M thru Z	9:15 am to 10:15 am

Please be prepared to share with your child's teacher how your child will be going home each afternoon (car, bus, daycare, or after-school- program, etc.).

During Sneak Peek plan on the following:

- **Parking will be limited;** please carpool when possible.
- Enter through the cafeteria door
- **Families will be able to:**
 - Meet the teacher and visit the classroom
 - Receive transportation and bus information

- Sign up for carpool tags. Only parents using afternoon carpool will need to register for a car rider tag. **Returning families DO NOT NEED to register for a carpool tag—please reuse last year’s tag.**
- Visit the cafeteria to load funds on student meal accounts
- Visit our After-School/After-Care vendor tables
- Purchase Barnwell spirit wear
- Learn more about how to join our amazing PTO
- Get answers to any last-minute questions!

No Electronic Devices During the School Day

Reminder to all parents and students that personal electronic devices are not permitted during the instructional day. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Cell phones
- Smartwatches
- Smart glasses
- Other wearable technology

These devices can be a distraction to learning and are not necessary for classroom instruction. We ask for your support in ensuring that your child leaves these items at home or keeps them turned off and stored in their backpack during the school day. Thank you for helping us create a focused and distraction-free learning environment for all students.

School Supplies:

Parents are required to purchase the items from our grade level suggested supply list and bring or send them to the school. Please view the supply list: [SY26 Back To School Supply List](#)

Teacher Assignments:

July 28th the district will make student schedules visible in Infinite Campus. **Please note these are tentative schedules/teacher placements and are subject to change prior to the start of school.**

This information may also change pending our ten-day student enrollment count. While placements are tentative, specific teacher requests are not being accepted.

Parents will receive an email on the afternoon of Friday, July 25th with your student’s current class placement, Sneak Peek details, and important Barnwell and district documents.

New Meal Prices for SY25-26:

Student and adult meal prices have increased for the new school year. Please see the updated amounts as you prepare student meals:

Elementary Meals	Cost
Student Breakfast	\$1.45
Student Lunch	\$2.85
Adult Breakfast	\$3.00
Adult Lunch	\$5.00

SY26 New Meal Applications & New Application Website

- Families are encouraged to complete a new meal application every year.
- Applications will be available online starting July 25th.
- Applications can be accessed via: <https://www.myschoolapps.com/>

New Meal Payment Site:

- FCS will no longer use MyPaymentsPlus for meal payments.
- The new site is MySchoolBucks -> www.myschoolbucks.com
- All MyPaymentsPlus funds will automatically roll over to MySchoolBucks
- Please reach out to our cafeteria manager Ann O'Connor oconnora1@fultonschools.org for any questions.

Popsicles on the Playground:

Wednesday, July 30th all **Pre-K and Kindergarten** students are invited to meet and their teacher and classmates on our playground. Popsicles will be provided courtesy of our PTO. Please use our side parking lot for parking and walk down the ramp towards our lower field.

<i>Grade Level</i>	<i>Meet & Greet Time</i>
Pre-K	10:30 am to 11:00 am
Kindergarten	11:00 am to 11:45 am

New Family Social:

Join the Barnwell PTO for our New Family Meet and Greet on Wednesday, July 30th from 12:00 PM-1:00 PM on the back field. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with new Barnwell families and classmates, as well as enjoy a brief tour of the building. This event is specifically designed for new families with children in 1st through 5th grades.

Join PTO!

Our Barnwell PTO has been actively planning programs and events to enhance our students' experience. To learn more, make a donation, or become a business partner, visit our PTO hub: [Barnwell PTO](#).

Morning Carpool:

Our morning carpool is open from 7:10 am – 7:35 am each morning (we will extend carpool to 7:40am the first week to allow for familiarity). Parents arriving after 7:35 am will need to park and walk their child to the front office, checking him/her in as tardy (after 7:40am).

Bus Rider Information: Bus stop locations and times can be found [here](#) or on our district Transportation Website (<https://www.fultonschools.org/transportation>).

Infinite Campus Parent Portal: Our Parent Portal in Infinite Campus allows you to access your child's grades, attendance, and schedule. Visit our county's [Infinite Campus website](#) for more information on our Student Information system with step-by-step guides to accessing your account.

- If you signed up last year, you would use the same credentials to login (no need to sign up again).
- For new families that have not registered to use Infinite Campus, you will be able to do so beginning August 4th. Click [Infinite Campus Sign-Up](#) and enter your email address to receive parent portal activation information.

- **To verify your identity, you will be asked to provide your student's name as entered on birth certificate, date of birth, and student ID number. Contact Basile@fultonschools.org if you do not know your child's student ID number or need assistance with accessing Infinite Campus.**

We can't wait to see everyone soon to begin another great year as a Barnwell Bear!