

THE Bear Claw



FROM THE BEAR'S DEN

Paying School Fees

- ✓ One check, one stop!
 - Pay all school fees with one check during Britton Bash.
 - After Britton Bash, payments must be made separately:
 - Team Fees – \$100 total (language arts, social studies, math, science, technology/Chromebook, and locker)
 - Pathways Classes – separate check for each class
-  Pay online anytime at: schoolcashionline.com

Free & Reduced Lunch Applications

Mary E. Britton Middle School is not a CEP school – students are not automatically eligible for free breakfast and lunch.

To apply:

- Go to fcps.net/food
- Click My School Apps Assistance
- Scroll to FAQ and Meal Assistance Application to complete the online form
-  No paper applications are available.

Lockers, Yondr Pouches & Cell Phone Use

- Distributed Monday, August 11
- Even with pouches, cell phones may not be used during the school day

New Consent Form: Outside Communication

A new district consent form is required for outside traceable communication – any non-district-approved texting or emailing between a school employee and a student (e.g., if a student babysits for a public school employee).

 Find the form in the Links section on **Page 2** of this newsletter.

First Day of School – August 13

On the first day, students should report to their grade-level location, then go directly to the room assigned by their last name (outlined below). Once there, students will receive a paper copy of their schedule and then report to their homeroom. You should be able to view your student's schedule in Infinite Campus by August 1.

Please take time to review how your student will get home on the first day—either their bus number or car pick-up arrangements.

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: C236

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025

- Britton Bash from 6:00–7:30 PM

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025

- Girls' basketball game against Crawford has been canceled. Practice from 4:00–6:00 PM.
- Cheerleading practice from 4:30–6:30 PM.
- Football practice from 6:00–8:00 PM.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025

- First day of school!
- Girls' basketball practice from 4:00–6:00 PM.
- Football practice from 6:00–8:00 PM.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025

- Girls' basketball hosts Winburn at 5:00 PM
- Football practice from 4:15–6:15 PM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025

- Football practice from 4:15–6:15 PM.
- Volleyball open gym from 4:30–6:30 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 18: Girls' basketball travels to Beaumont at 5:00 PM
- August 20: Girls' basketball travels to Southern at 5:00 PM
- August 21: Football travels to Crawford at 6:00 PM
- August 22: No school for students
- August 25: Girls' basketball hosts Bryan Station at 5:00 PM
- August 27: Girls' basketball travels to Bates Creek at 5:00 PM
- August 28: Football hosts Jessie Clark at 6:00 PM
- September 1: No school
- September 2: Football pictures
- September 2: Football hosts Morton at 5:00 PM.
- September 3: Girls' basketball travels to EJ Hayes at 5:00 PM
- September 9: School picture day

THE BEAR NECESSITIES FOR SUCCESS

- Be Curious
- Be Kind
- Be Bold
- Be Responsible

VISION: BRITTON AND BEYOND

- Expose Students to Career Pathways in Health and Medical Sciences
- Ensure Equitable Access to Courses So Every Student Earns at Least One High School Credit.
- Provide Opportunities for Civic Engagement.
- Foster School Pride and a Sense of Belonging.

The mission of Mary E. Britton Middle School is to foster a safe and supportive environment where every student is valued and inspired to reach their fullest potential. Through academic rigor, civic engagement, and strong relationships, we cultivate leaders prepared to thrive today and build a better tomorrow.



Arrival & Dismissal

Please review the included map for morning and afternoon procedures.

- Right lane: Exit towards Winchester Road
- Left lane: Exit towards Man o' War Boulevard

Note: Middle schools do not use car tags.

Bus Rider Registration

Every student who will ride the bus must register online this year. If you haven't already, please visit fcps.net/bus to complete registration. This is due by August 3!

Britton Bash – August 11, 6:00–7:30 PM

Join us for our first open house!

This is a drop-in event with no formal agenda. During the evening, you'll be able to:

- Visit classrooms and meet staff
- Submit school fees
- Bring medication and complete required forms
- Connect with community partners, clubs, and athletic programs

We'll also have activities for students and food trucks available for dinner!



Some folks decided to have some fun with AI this week!

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

GOAL IS 95%

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday

STAFF ATTENDANCE

GOAL IS 95%

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday

WEEKLY DISCIPLINE

SIXTH GRADE

- Number of referrals
- Number in detention
- RESET hours
- Suspension days

SEVENTH GRADE

- Number of referrals
- Number in detention
- RESET hours
- Suspension days

EIGHTH GRADE

- Number of referrals
- Number in detention
- RESET hours
- Suspension days

INFO

TIMES

- Doors open daily at 8:35 AM
- First period begins at 9:05 AM
- Dismissal is at 3:55 PM
- Walkers and car riders should be picked up by 4:15 PM

LINKS

- [eOS](#)
- [Campus Parent](#)
- [Canvas](#)
- [Student and Family Handbook](#)
- [Voluntary Student Accident Insurance](#)
- [Consent for Outside Traceable Communication](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA

- [Facebook](#)
- [Instagram](#)
- [YouTube](#)

CURRENT ENROLLMENT

- 6th grade: 244 (+2)
- 7th grade: 173 (+8)
- 8th grade: 140 (+5)
- Total: 557 (+15)

SHOUT OUTS AND GOOD NEWS

- Very proud of our Britton Lady Bears who played a great scrimmage against EJ Hayes this week.
- Shout out to the Britton faculty and staff for a great week of professional learning! The staff has spent all summer preparing their rooms for our kids.
- Shout out to Ty Henson, Rancet Orta Coira, Gary Coffey, Jeffrey Wilson, Ethan Hermes, Dwyane Holland, and Jimmie Johnson. Our custodial team has spent countless hours unboxing, assembling, and cleaning so our kids have a building to be proud to call home. We are lucky to have them!



**Preferred Financial Partner of
Mary E. Britton Middle School**
Call us at 859.293.0411

Your credit score is like a financial report card. A higher score can mean lower interest rates and better loan terms. Scores above 740 usually unlock the best deals, but you CAN qualify with less. Pay bills on time, reduce credit card balances, and don't open new accounts before applying for a mortgage. Small changes can lead to big savings. Let our Mortgage Planners help you navigate your score.

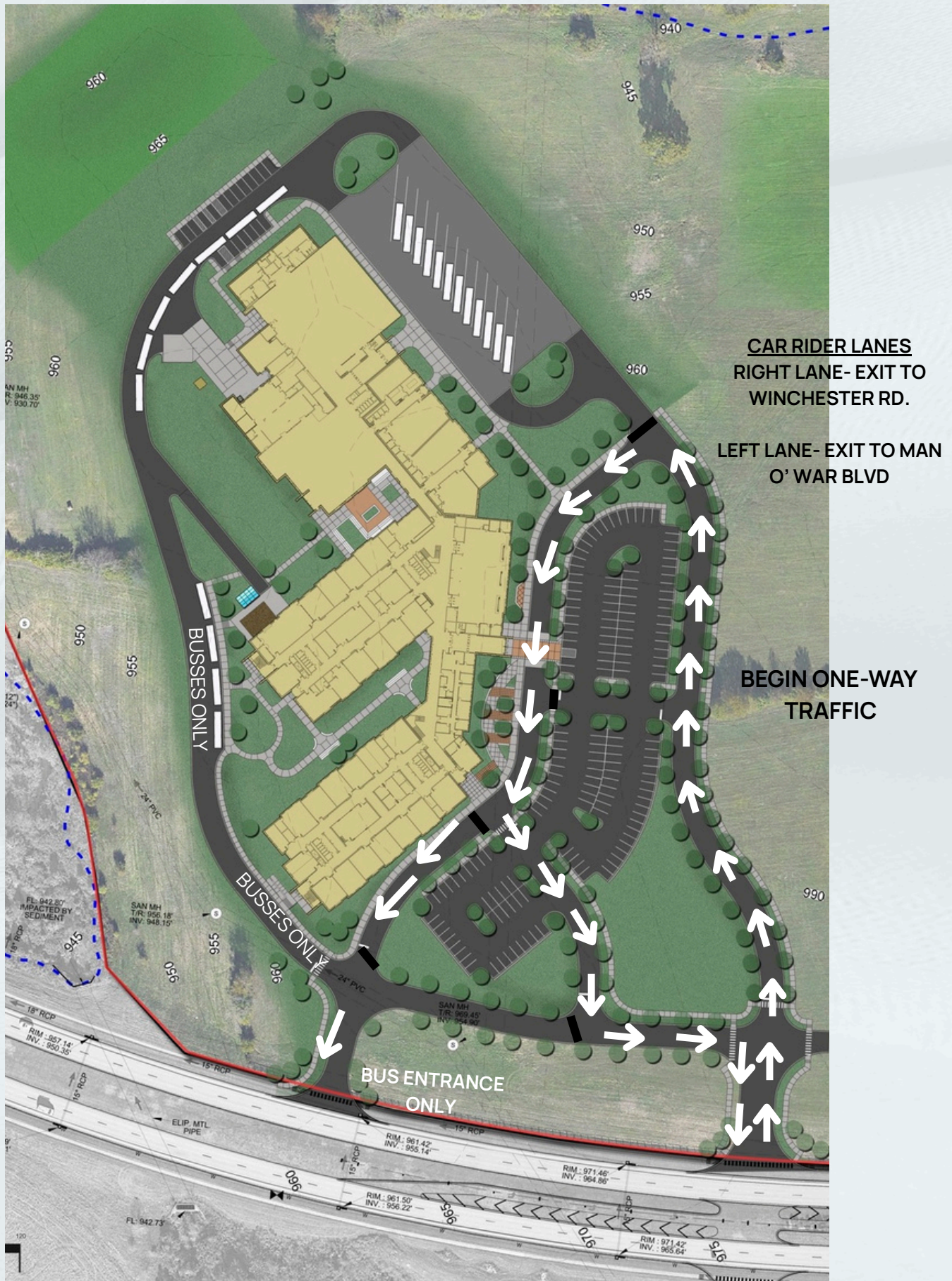
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The logo of the University of Northern Iowa, featuring a stylized bear head in white and green against a dark blue background. The bear has a white face and chest, green fur on its head and ears, and a white outline. It is set within a dark blue shield-like shape.





DANCE TEAM TRYOUTS

Show off your spirit and skills at our upcoming dance team tryouts—your chance to shine and join the winning team!



Aug 27-28 (intensive) Aug 29th (tryouts)



4:15pm-6:30pm 27th & 28th / 7am-8:30am 29th



Mary E. Britton Middle School Gym



859.422.1195

**For Questions,
please email or
call:**



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FOOTBALL GEAR IS HERE

BSN ONLINE STORE!

- Show your team spirit and gear up for the season with official Britton Bears Football apparel—now available online through BSN Sports! From hoodies to hats, we've got everything you need to rep the Bears in style.
-  Shop now: [BSN Britton Football Store](https://bsnteamssports.com/shop/pvbwrxolzB)
-  Hurry! The store closes soon—don't miss out

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL GEAR IS HERE

BSN ONLINE STORE!

- Show your team spirit and gear up for the season with official Britton Bears Girls' Basketball apparel—now available online through BSN Sports! From hoodies to hats, we've got everything you need to rep the Bears in style.
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MARY E. BRITTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

INTERESTED IN PLAYING VOLLEYBALL?

OPEN GYM DATES:

AUGUST 15TH, 20TH & 29TH

SEPTEMBER 5TH & 12TH

4:30-6 PM

FIND DETAILS ON OUR WEBSITE:

<https://go.fcps.net/mebmsvb>



MUST BE ENROLLED AT MEBMS TO ATTEND.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US AT
WHITNEY.RITTER@FAYETTE.KYSCHOOLS.US
ELLIE.VANCE@FAYETTE.KYSCHOOLS.US

Prince Cuts & The Toy Factory Present...
Project Kids First 9th Annual

Cars & Cuts Cut-A-Thon

Sunday
12-4pm



FREE

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Lexington KY

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