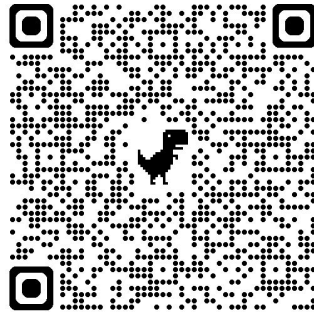


# Welcome to Wellington Kindergarten Connection



# 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 Platforms
- Breakfast & Lunch Information
- Family Resource Coordinator
- Attendance
- Nurse
- Visitor/Volunteer Opportunities
- Behavior Expectations
- 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  
e.kyschools.us**

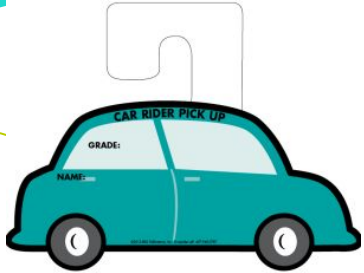


**Tracy Jefferson**  
Bookkeeper

**tracy.jefferson@fayett  
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# Transportation

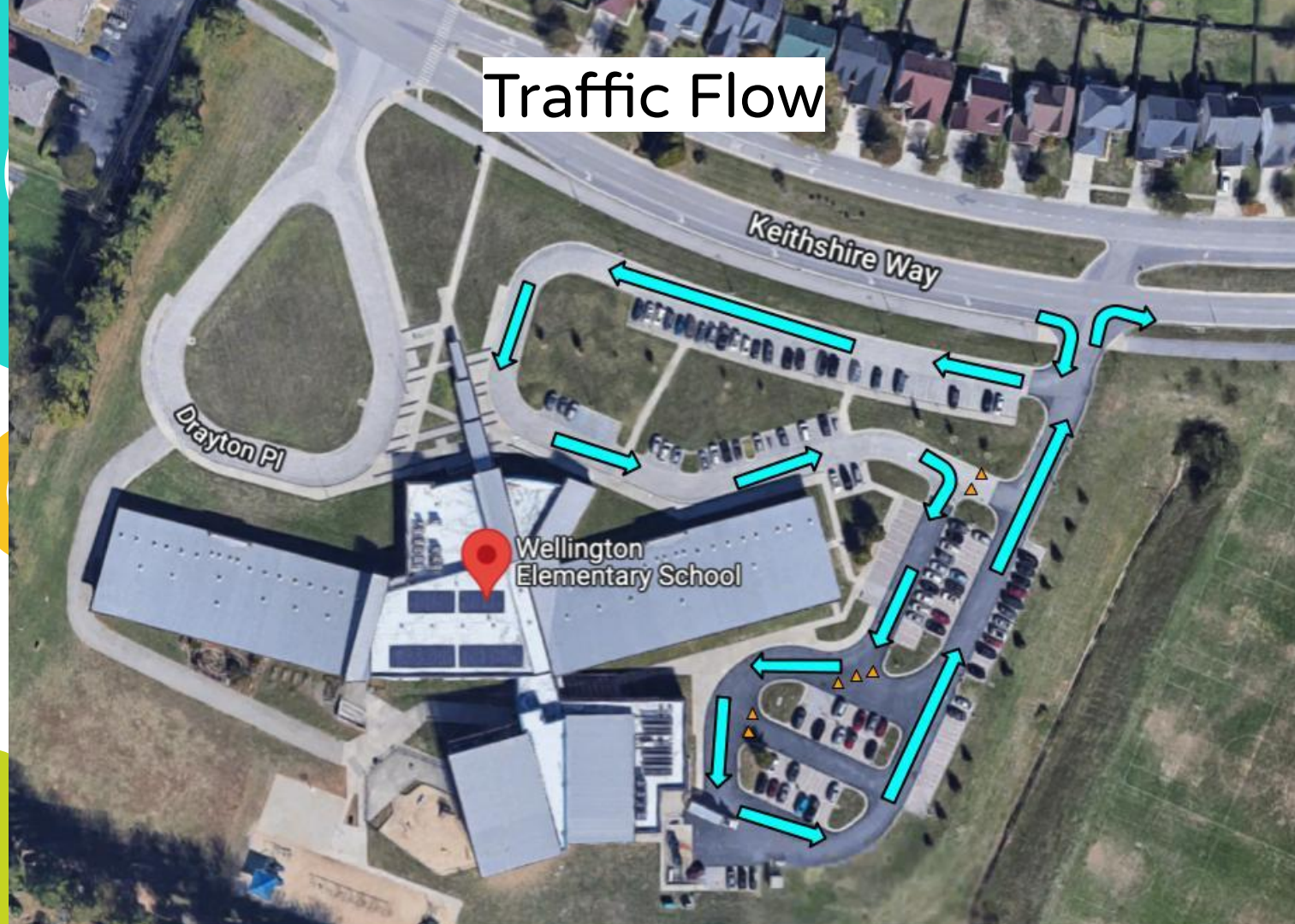
All students at Wellington will get a Car Rider hang tag, regardless of regular afternoon transportation.



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

You will use this to pick up your child today!

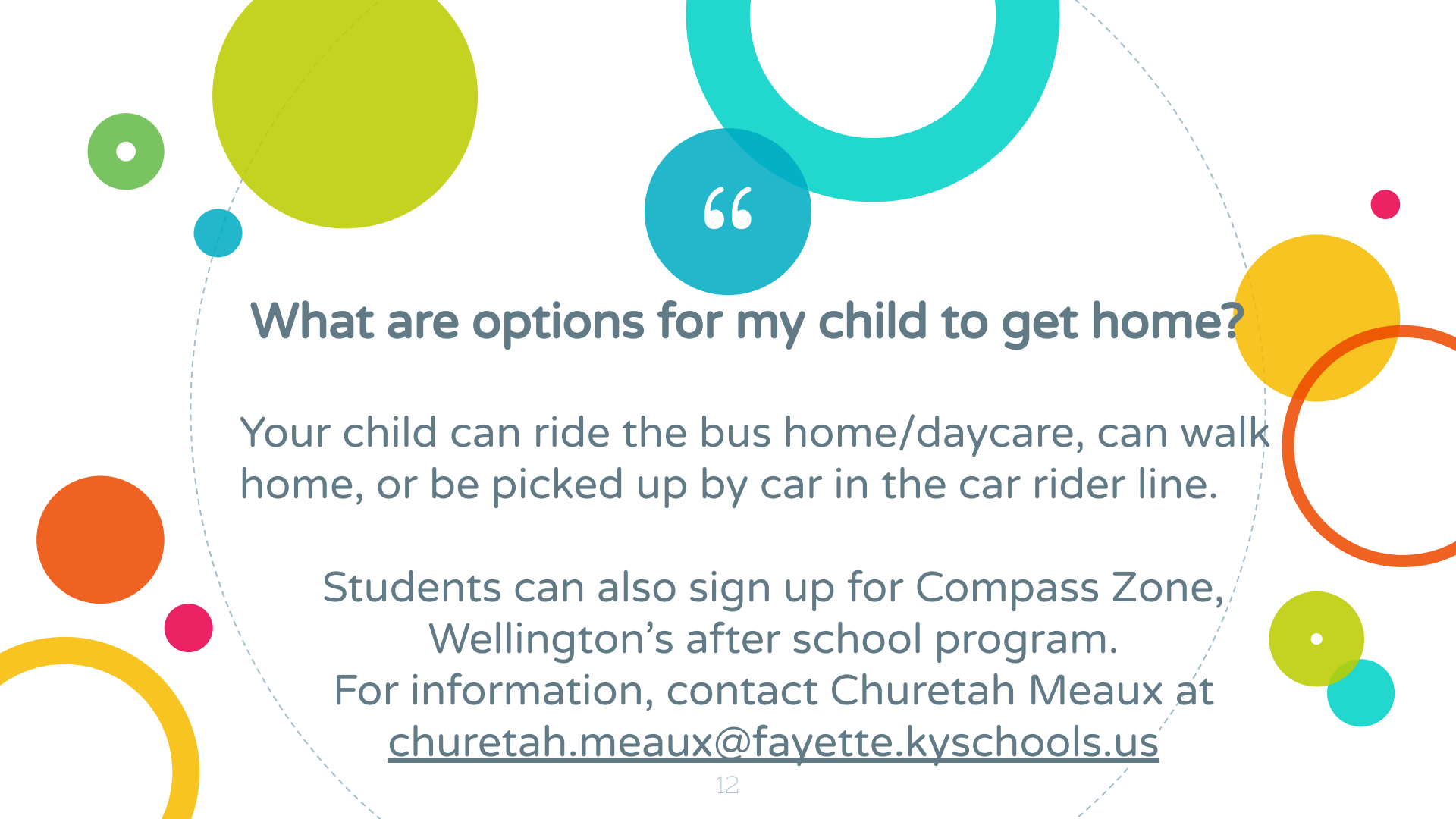
# Traffic Flow





## 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.

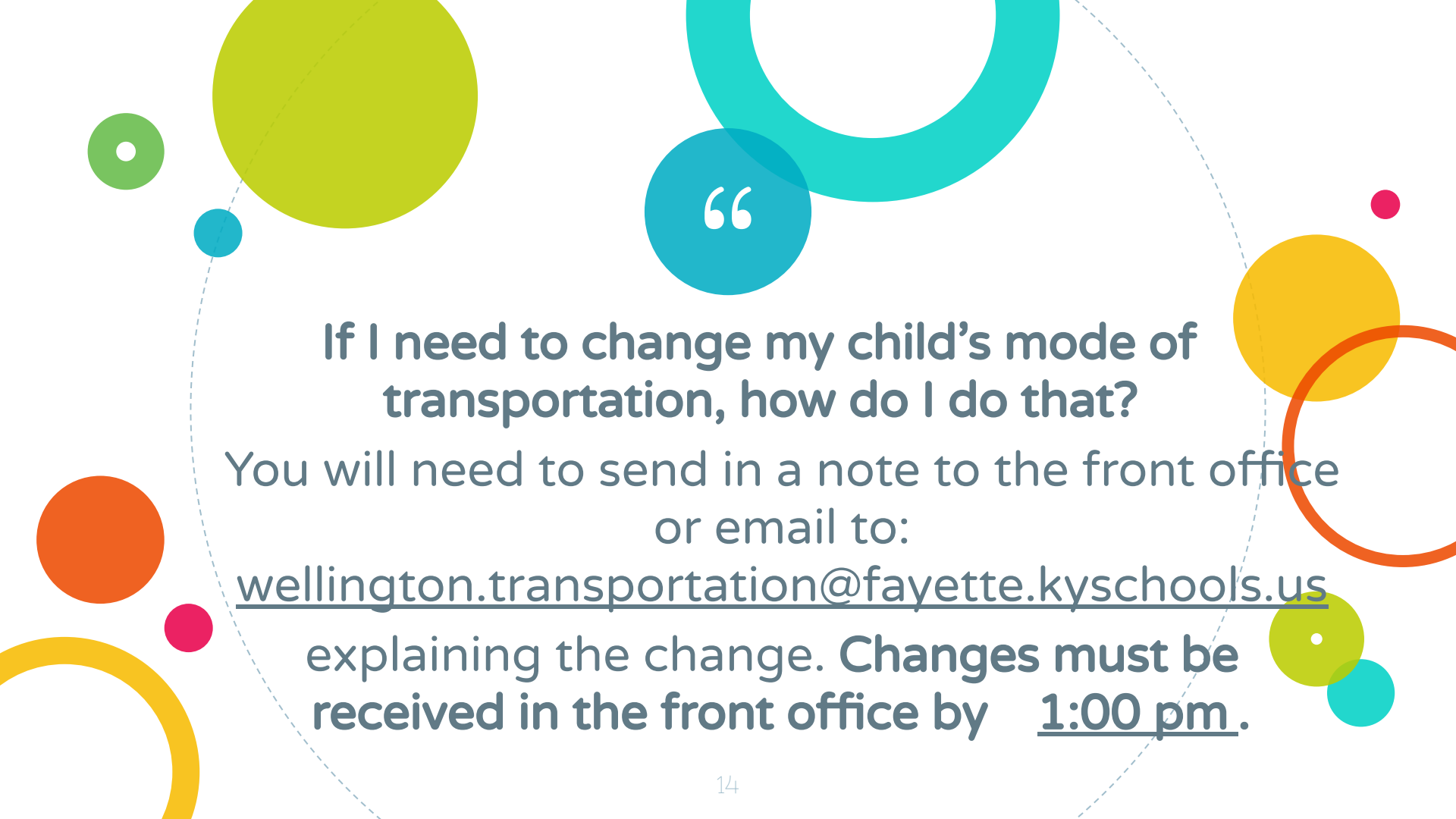
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**Does someone need to meet my child at the bus stop or Wellington's front doors if walking home?**

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:

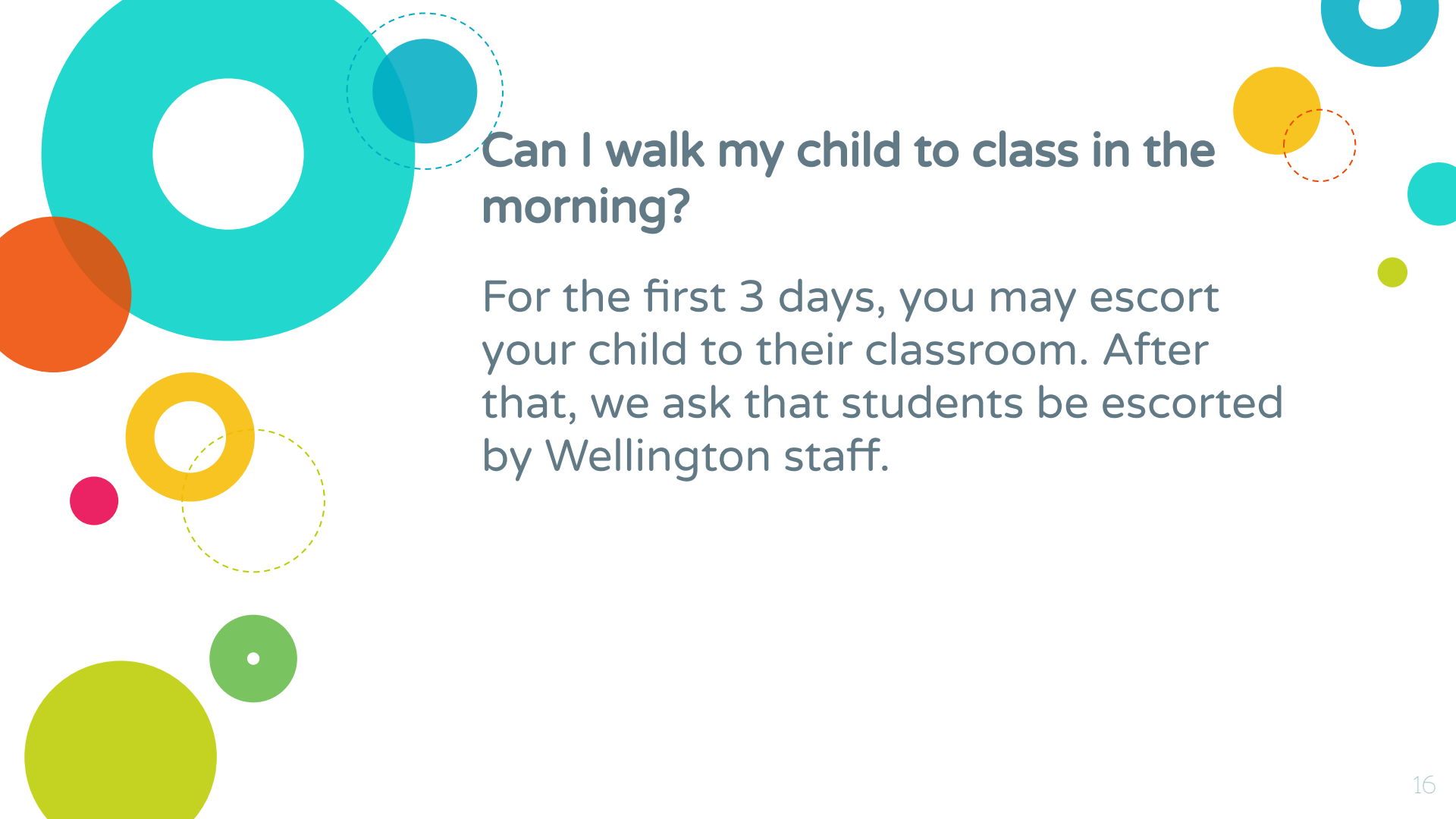
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explaining the change. **Changes must be received in the front office by 1:00 pm.**

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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?

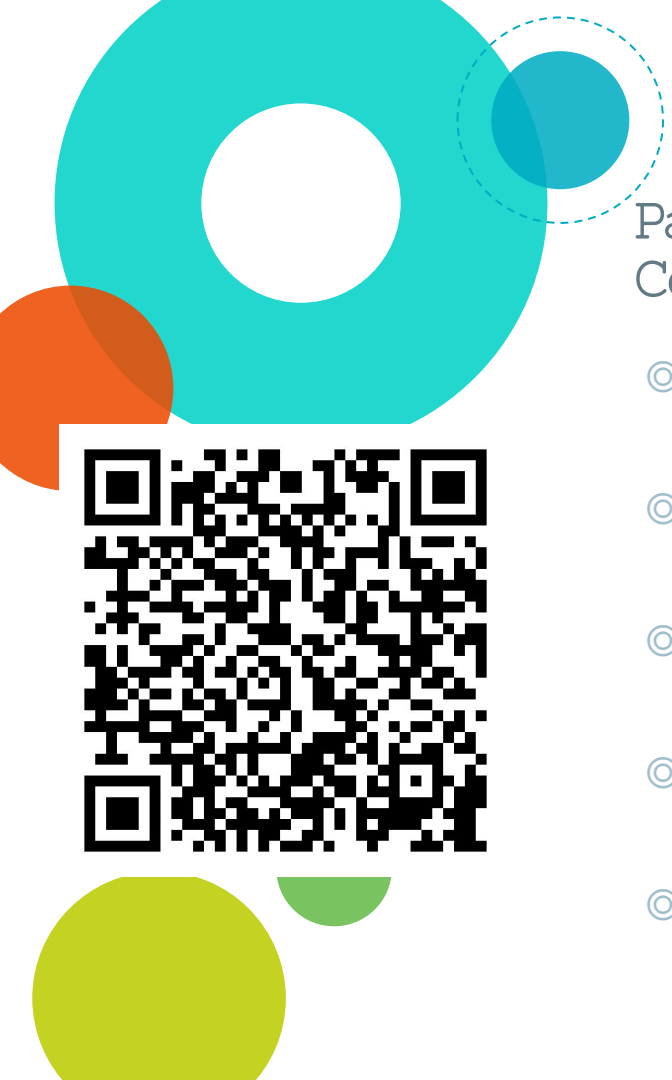
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Communication  
Platforms

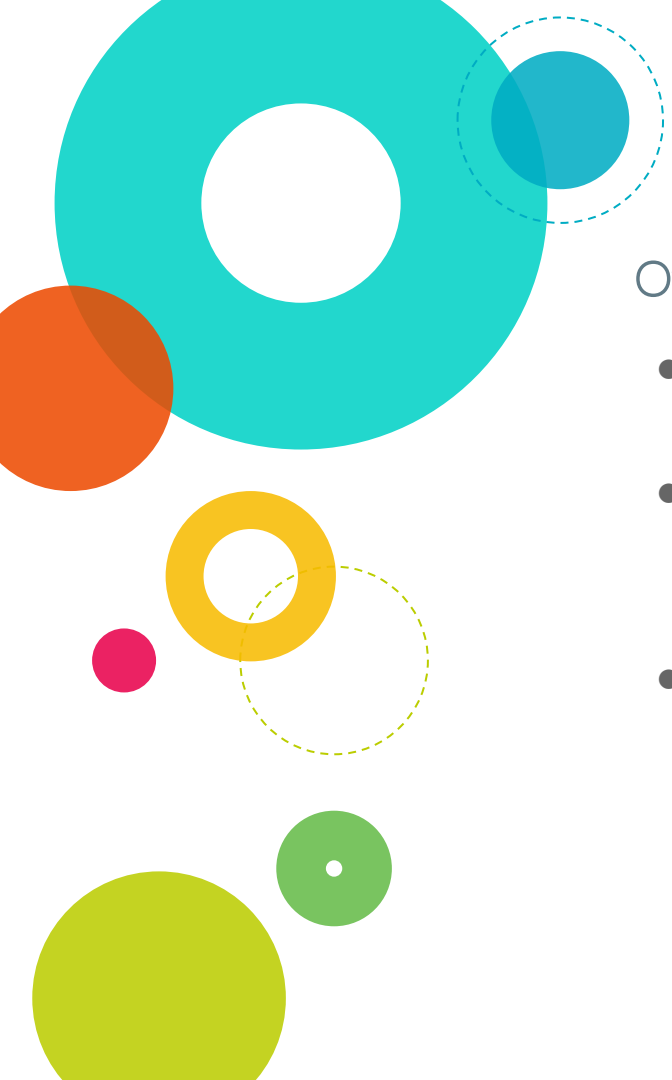
**Pertinent Information regarding  
Communication**



## 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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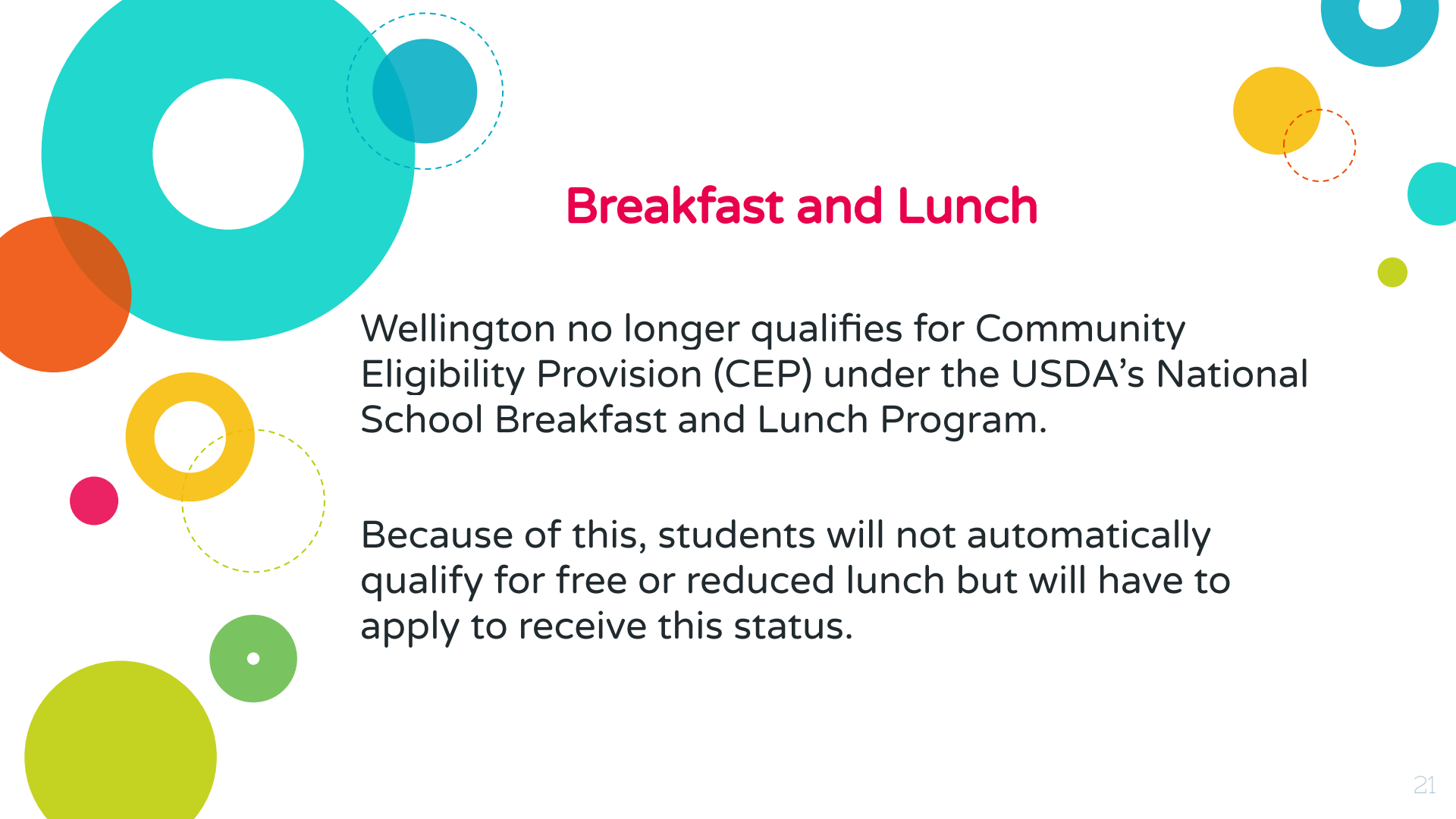
## Other Platforms

- Log in to [eOS](#) to access information about your child's behavior.
- Log in to [Infinite Campus](#) to update contact info, review your child's attendance, or grades (4th/5th)
- Log into the [Parent Square app](#) or [website](#) with the phone number or email address you used to register your child.



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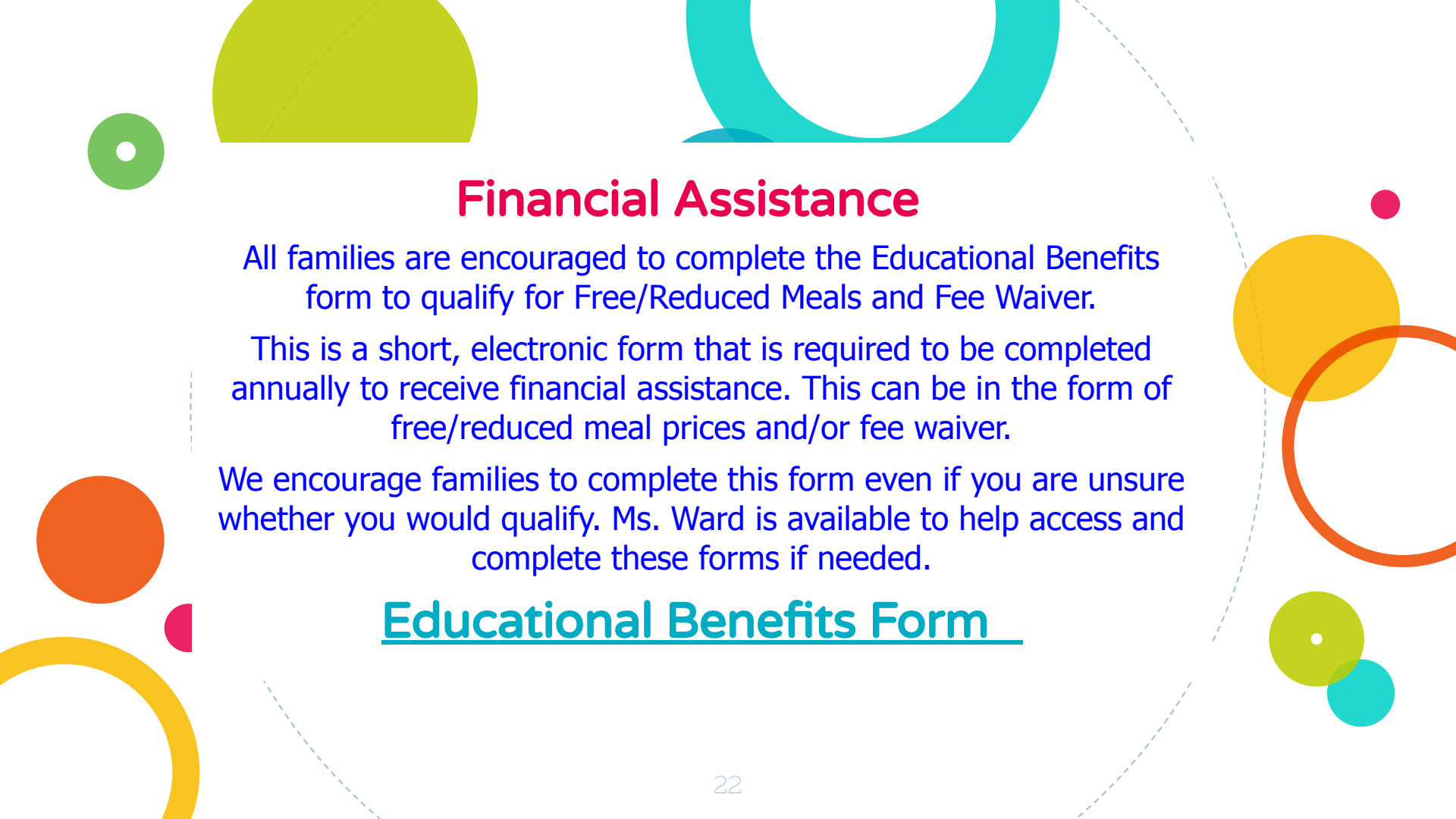
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Meals & Financial Assistance**

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## 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.



## Financial Assistance

All families are encouraged to complete the Educational Benefits form to qualify for Free/Reduced Meals and Fee Waiver.

This is a short, electronic form that is required to be completed annually to receive financial assistance. This can be in the form of free/reduced meal prices and/or fee waiver.

We encourage families to complete this form even if you are unsure whether you would qualify. Ms. Ward is available to help access and complete these forms if needed.

## Educational Benefits Form



# It is MORE than a Meal Application

Did you know the Free and Reduced-Price Meal Application  
assists with so much more than just nutritious meals?



Increased  
funding to  
support  
Student  
Education



Technology  
funding  
&  
Internet  
Assistance  
Programs for  
Families



Discounted  
fees for  
SAT, ACT,  
AP Tests,  
& College  
Applications



Fee-Waiver  
approvals,  
Magnet School  
Bus Assistance,  
Athletic, club,  
& Afterschool/  
Camp Discounts



Other food  
programs:  
Summer Feeding  
After-School  
Supper  
Fresh Fruit &  
Veggie

**APPLY NOW!**



Scan to get directly to Meal  
Assistance application!

**WHAT'S FOR  
BREAKFAST & LUNCH?**



Scan here for our MENU!

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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.

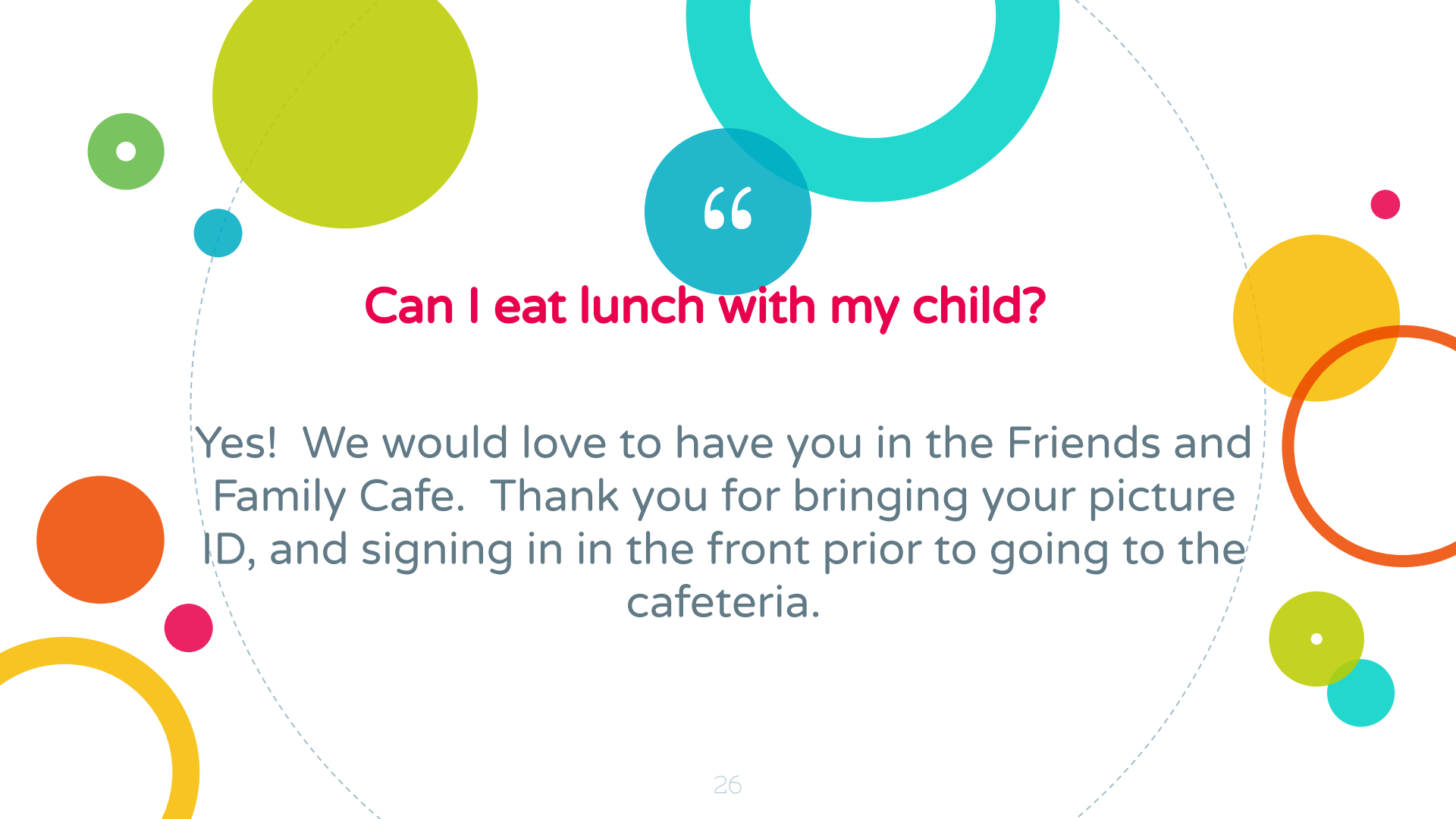
**Breakfast: \$2.50**

**Lunch: \$3.50**

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

## Meals, Fees, Financial Assistance

- Set up [Meal Account](#)
- Create account for [School Cash Online](#) (field trips, etc.)
- Complete [Educational Benefits Form](#)

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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.

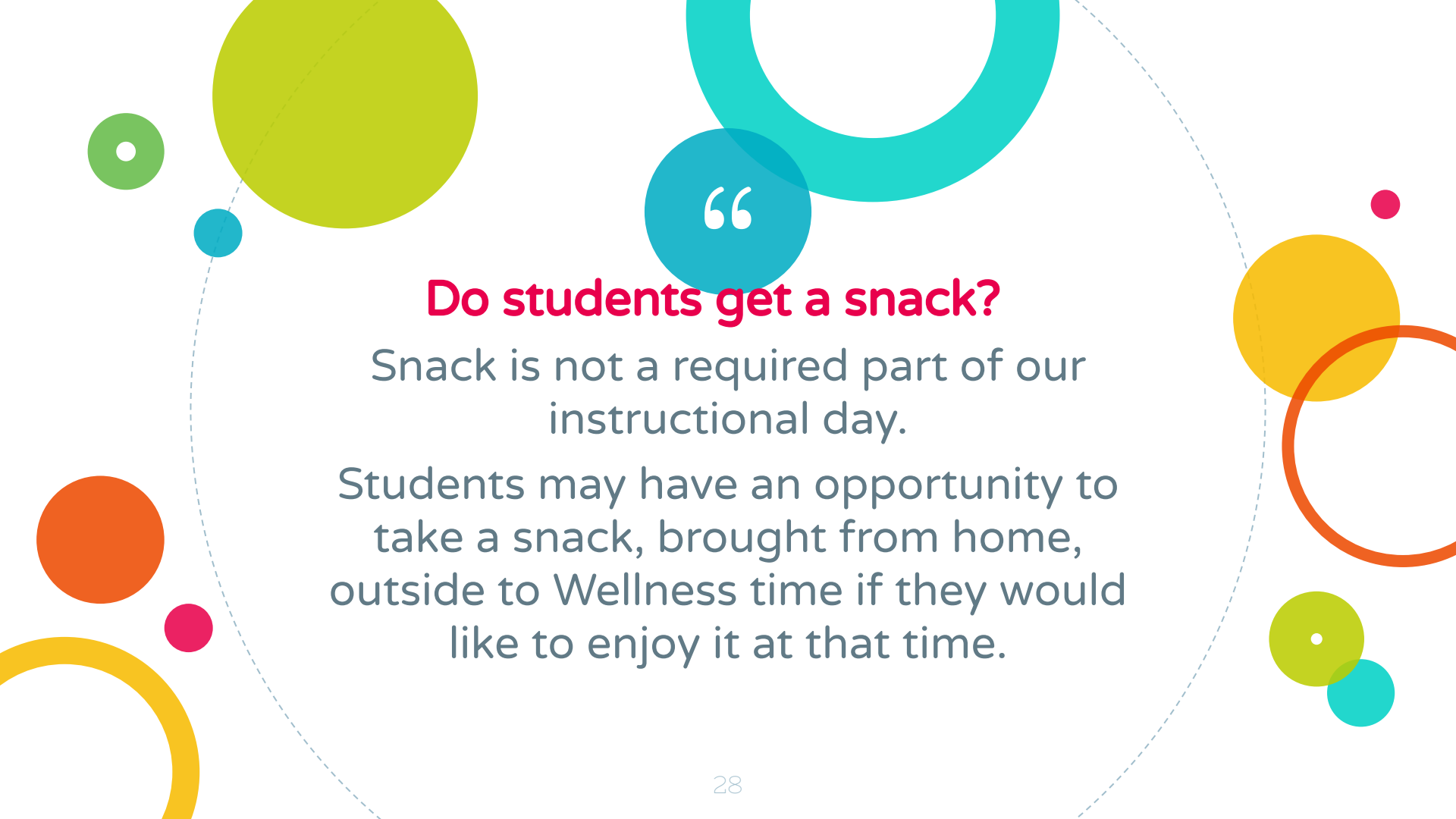
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## Can I bring outside food?

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.

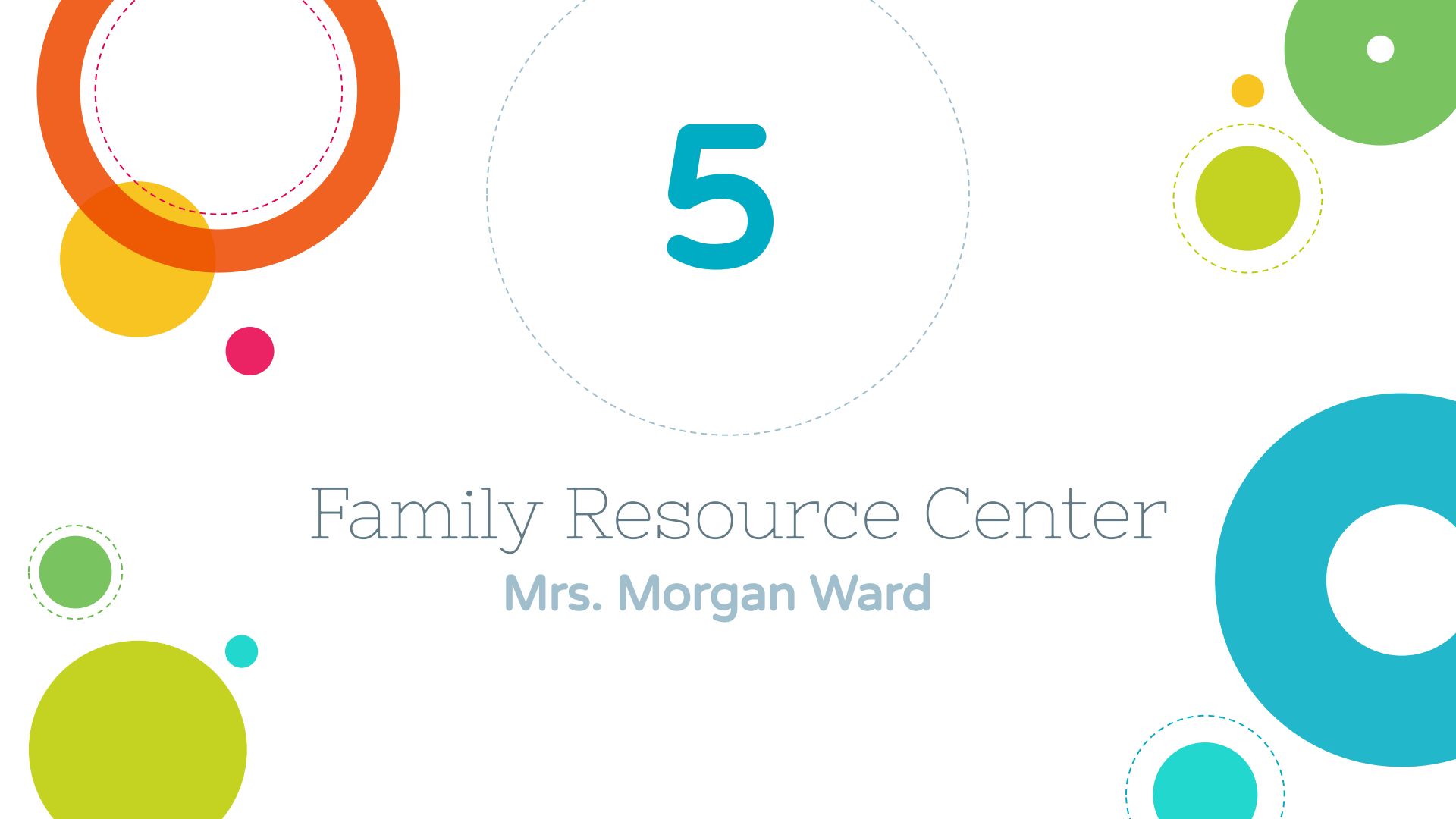
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## Do students get a snack?

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.

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Family Resource Center  
Mrs. Morgan Ward



What is the FRC?

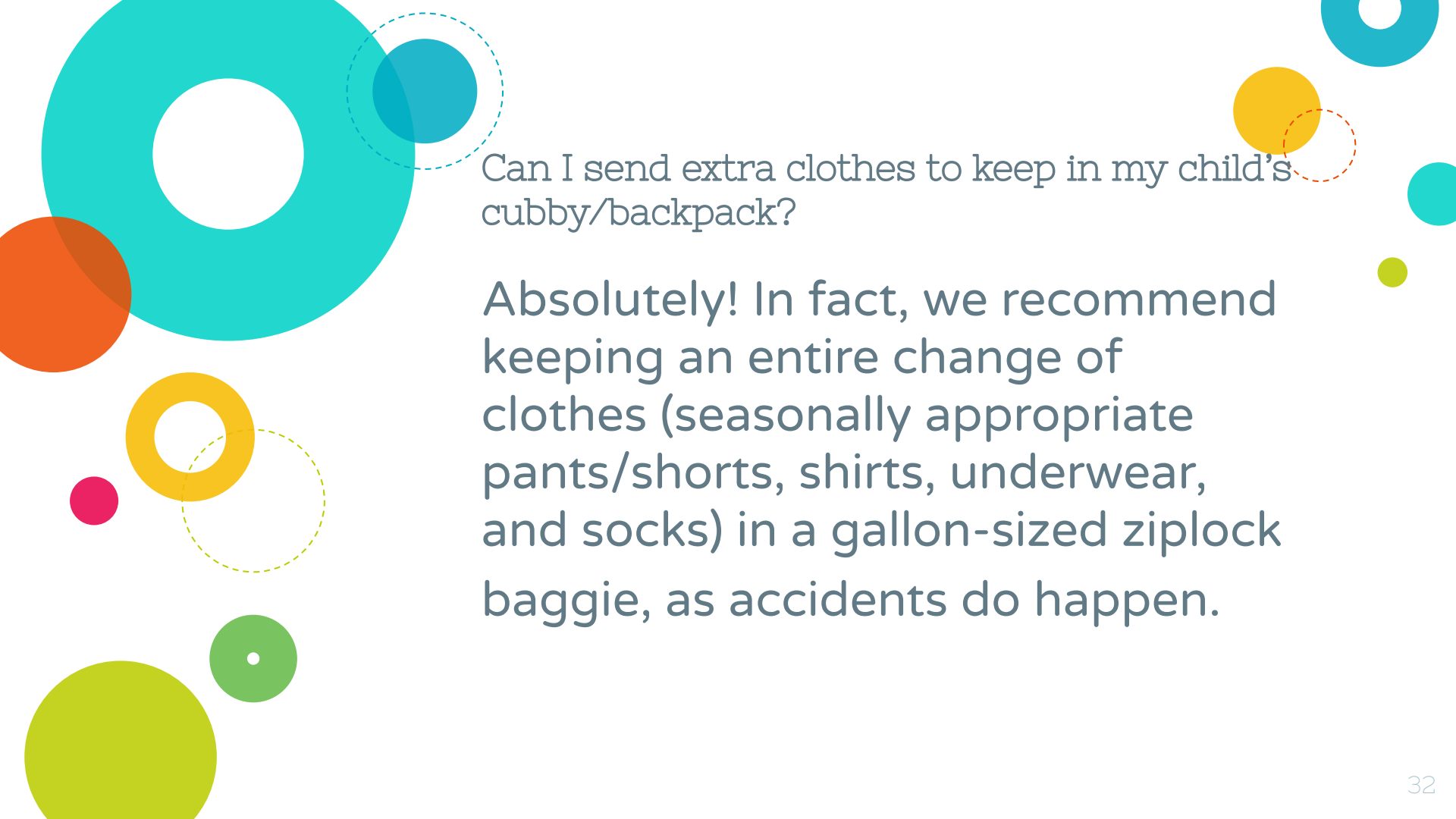
The Family Resource Center is funded through the state government and falls under The Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

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



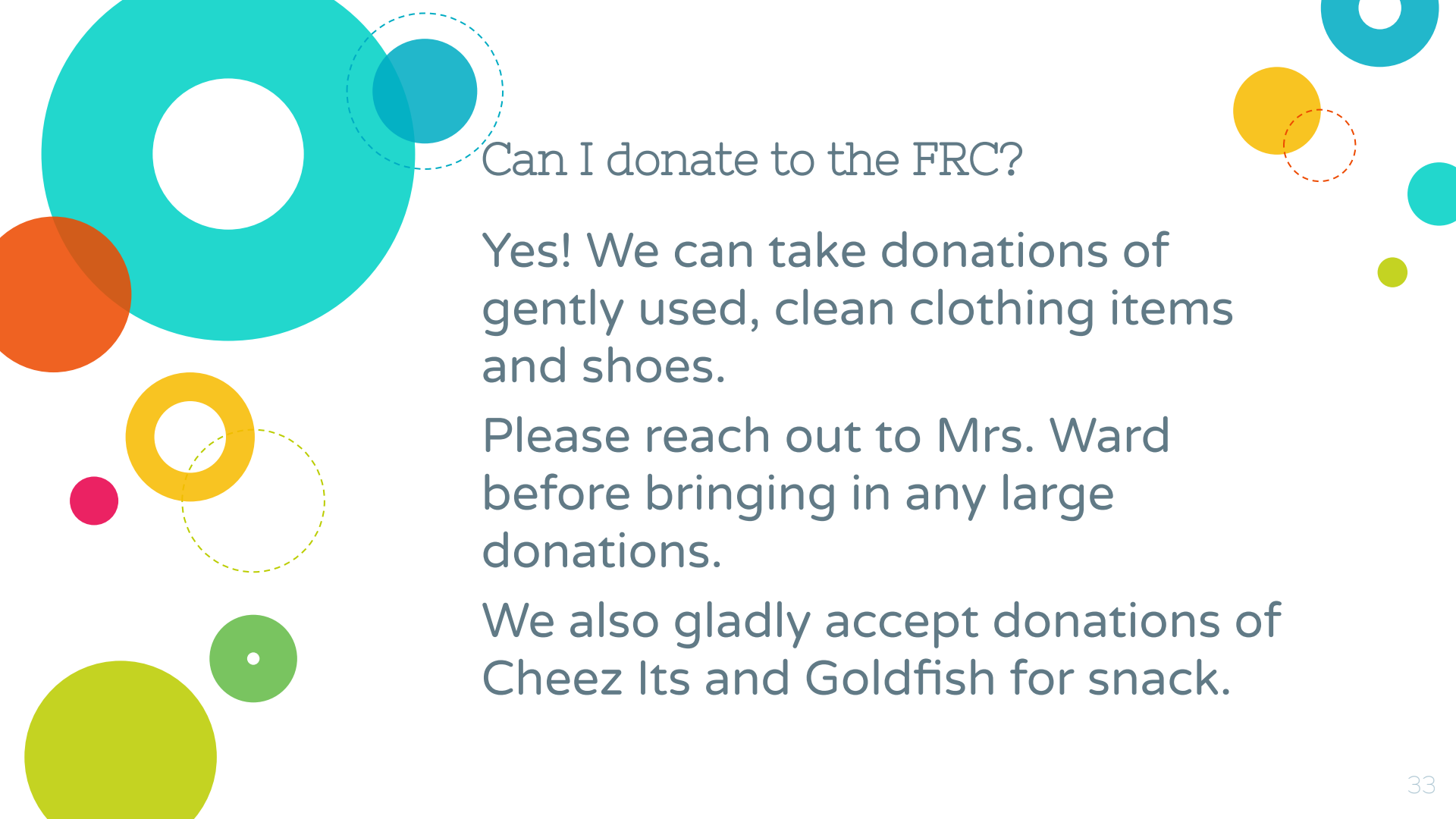
## Services Offered through the FRC

- 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.

Please reach out to Mrs. Ward before bringing in any large donations.

We also gladly accept donations of Cheez Its and Goldfish for snack.



## Contact Information

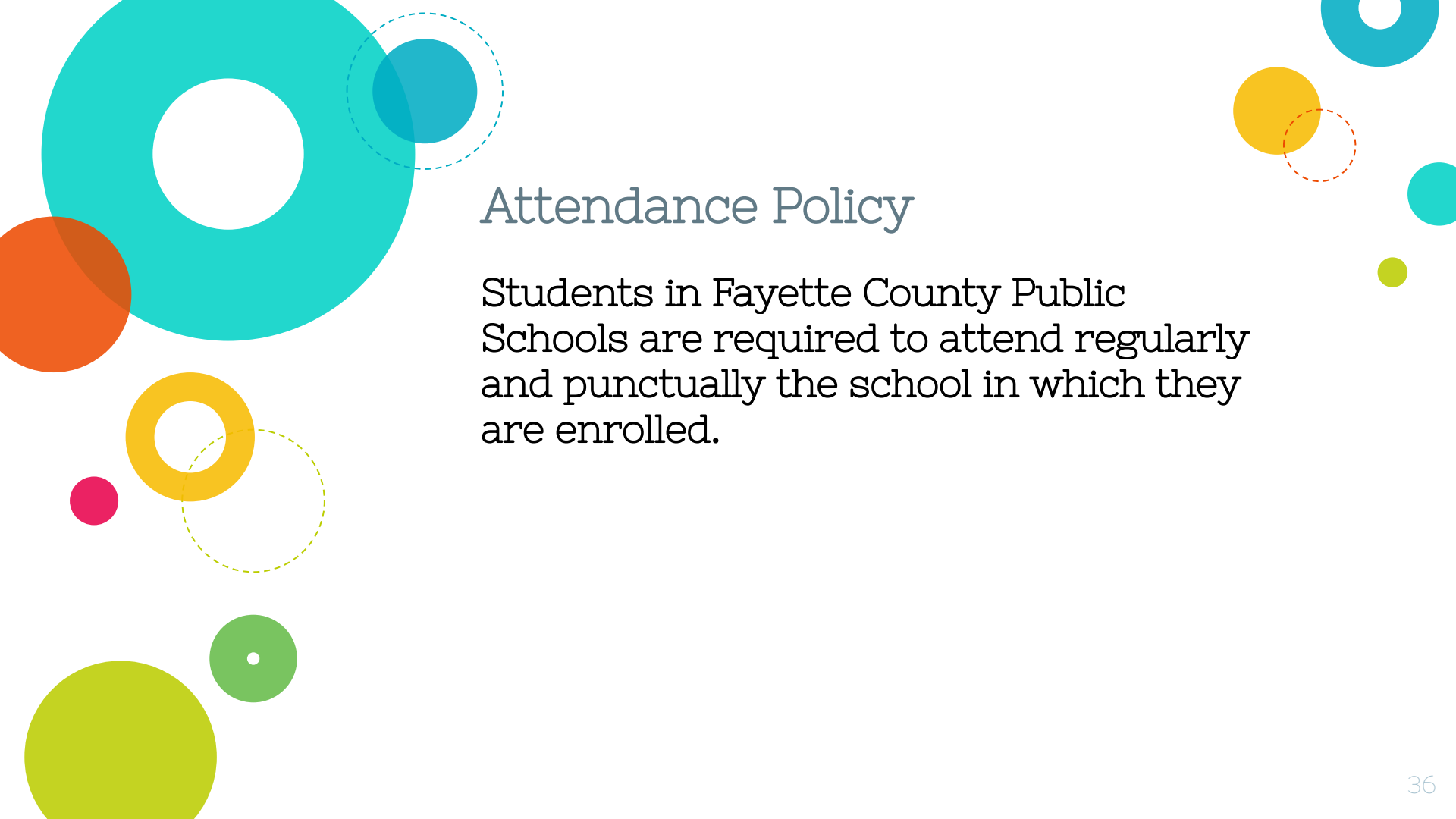
To Contact Me:

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

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## Attendance Policy & Procedures

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## Attendance Policy

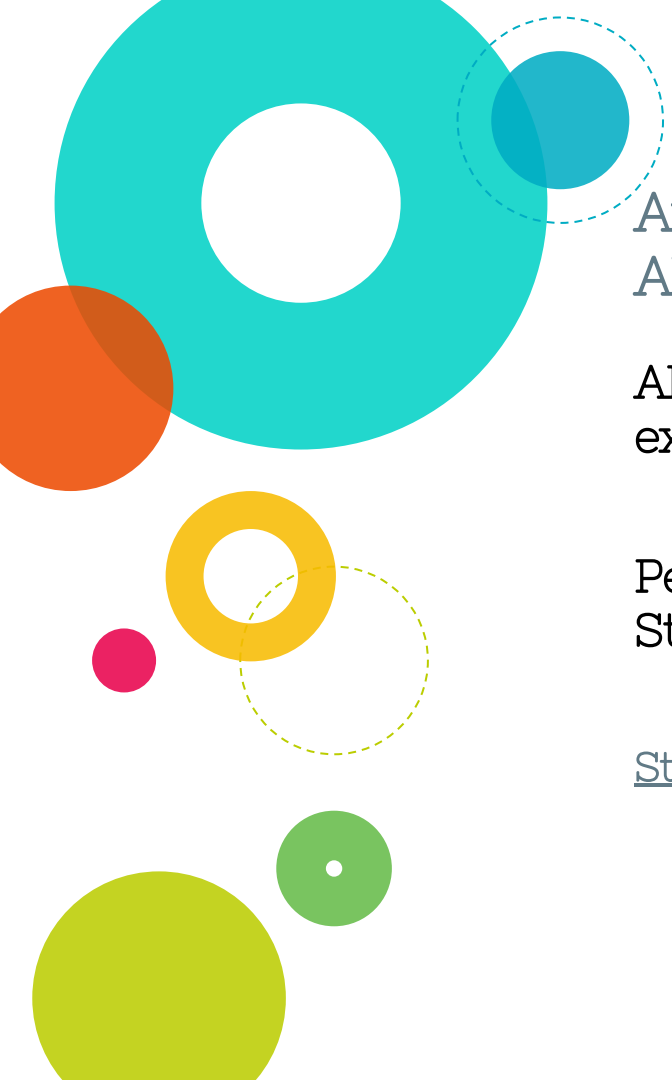
Students in Fayette County Public Schools are required to attend regularly and punctually the school in which they are enrolled.

## 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!

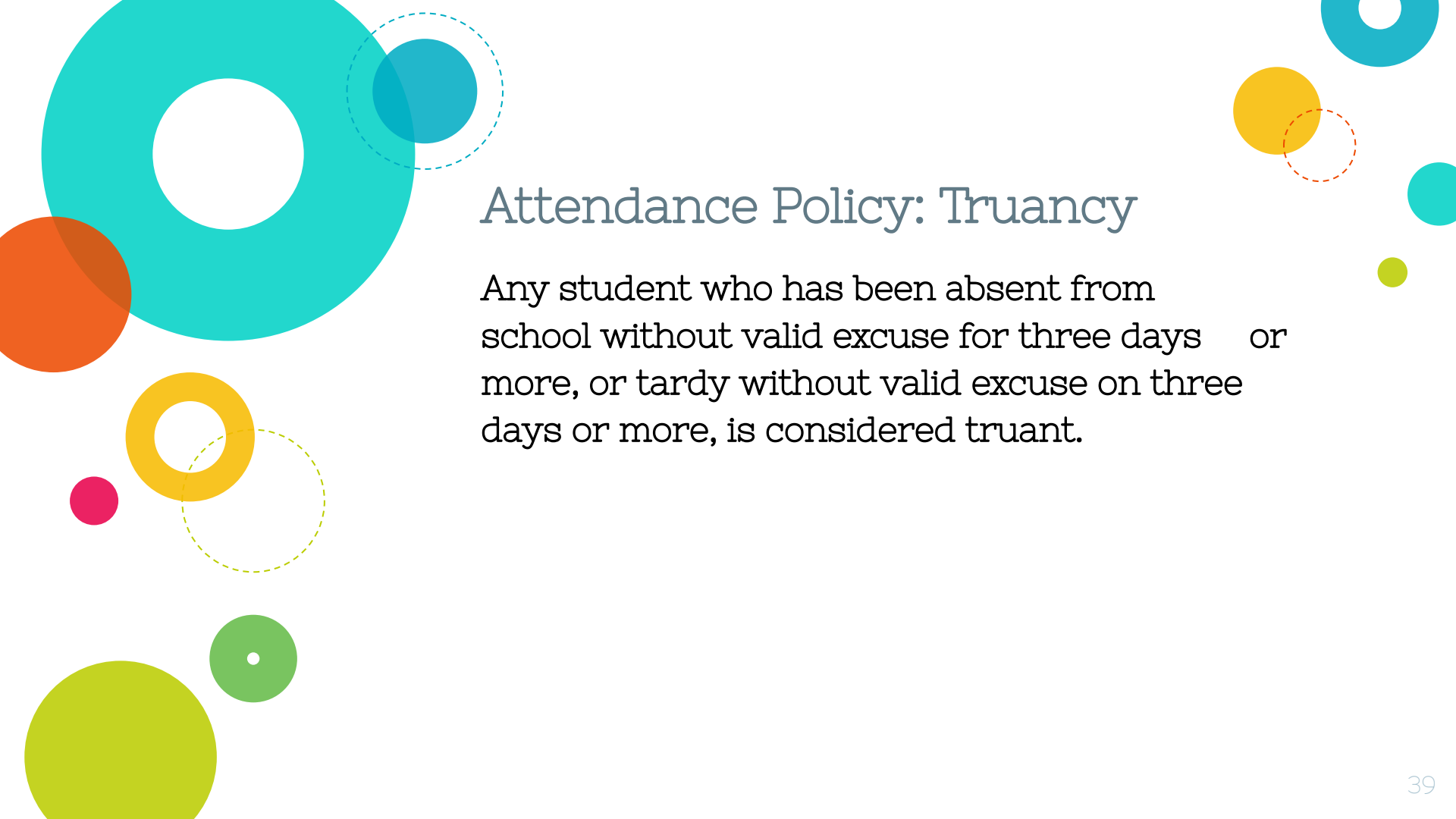


## Attendance Policy: Unexcused Absences

All absences except those with permissible excuses are unexcused absences.

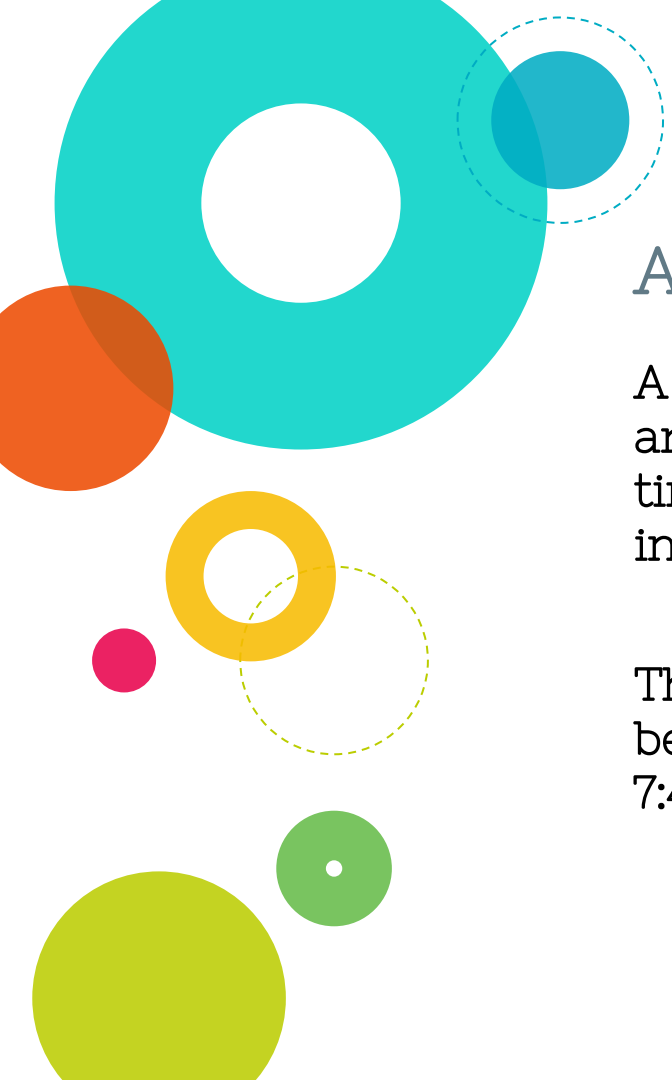
Permissible excuses can be found in the Student Code of Conduct

[Student Code of Conduct](#)



## Attendance Policy: Truancy

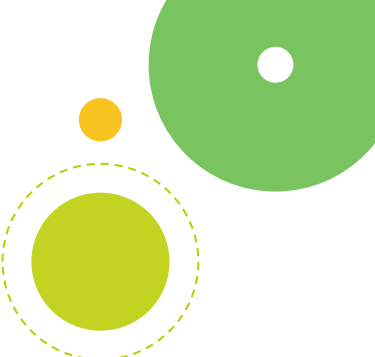
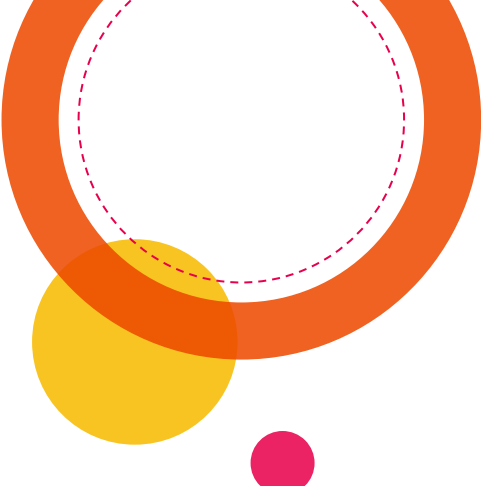
Any student who has been absent from school without valid excuse for three days or more, or tardy without valid excuse on three days or more, is considered truant.



## Attendance Policy: Tardies

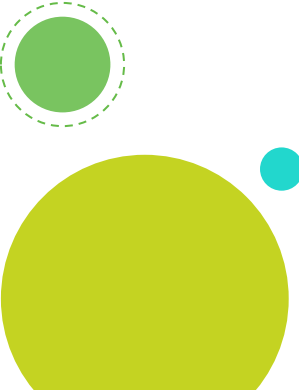
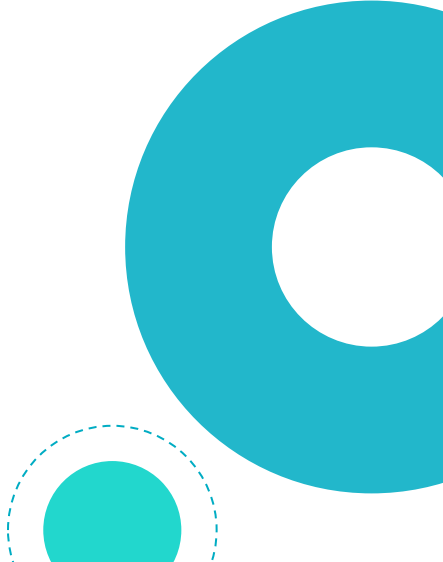
A student is considered tardy if he or she arrives after the designated school start time or leaves before the end of the instructional day.

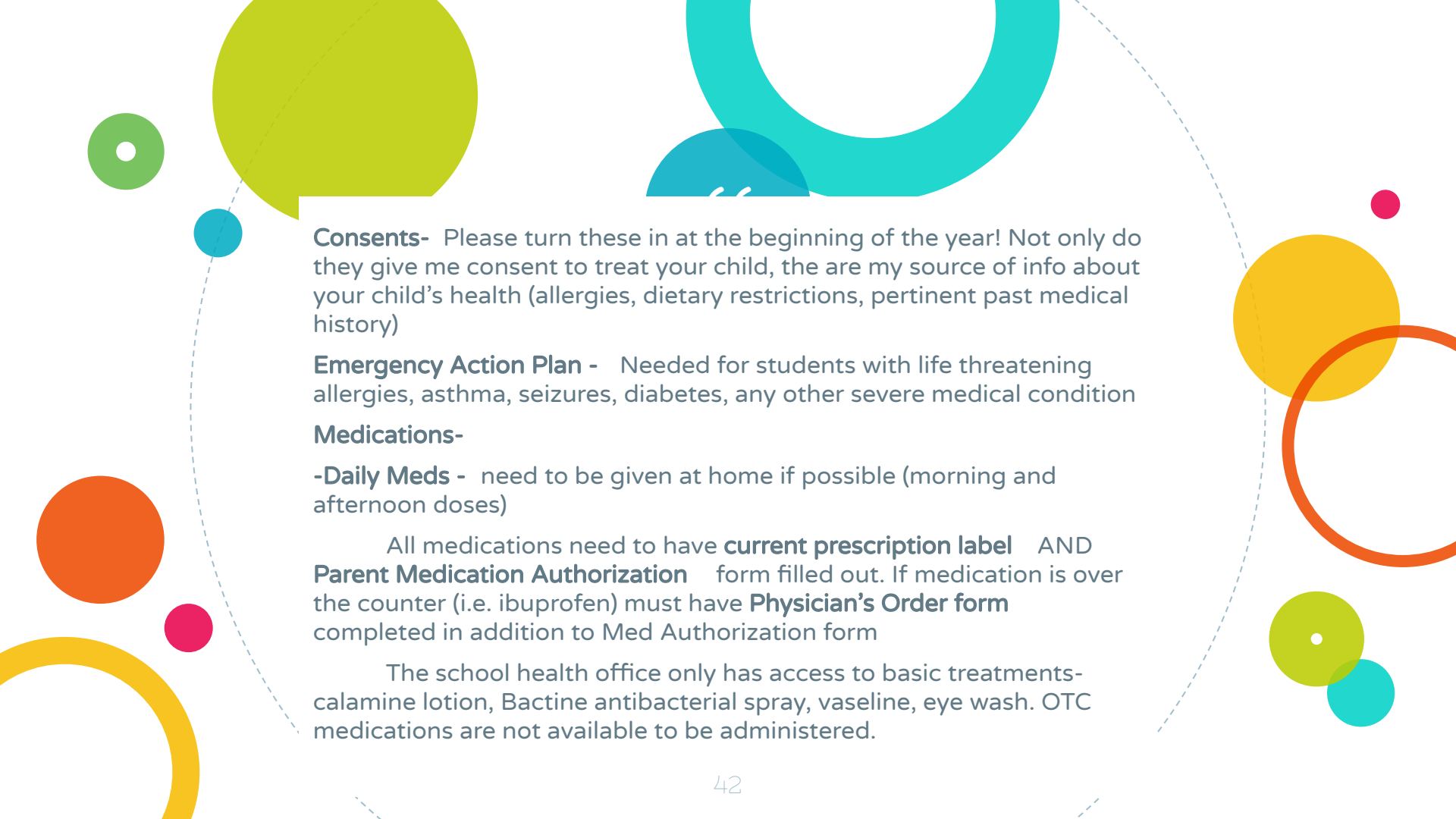
The first bell rings and 7:40 am and the tardy bell rings when instructions start which is 7:45 am. School dismisses at 2:35 pm.



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Katie Hansford  
School Nurse



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**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?

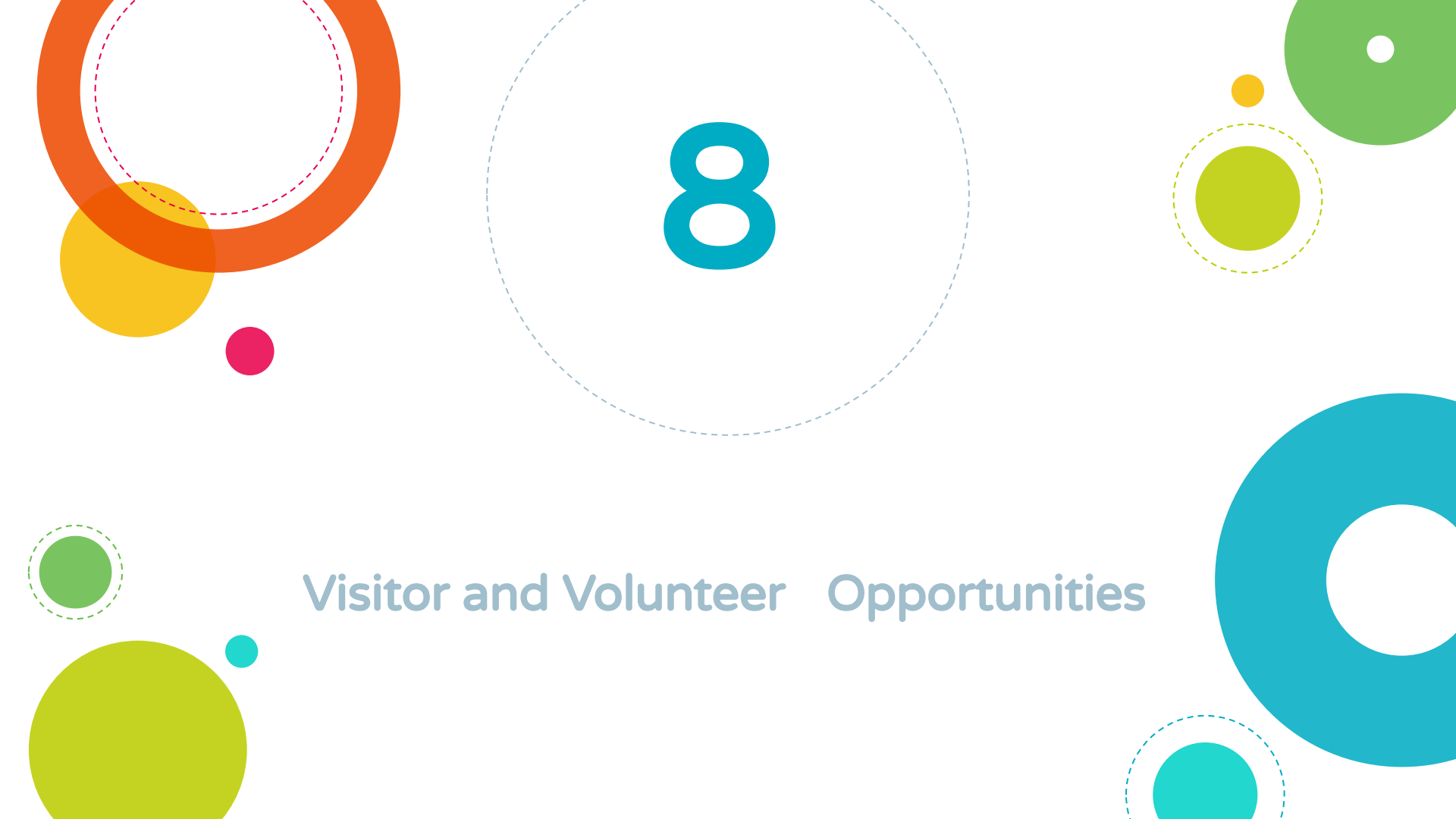
Fever of 100.4 or above, vomiting\*, diarrhea or if it is highly recommended by the nurse

**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:

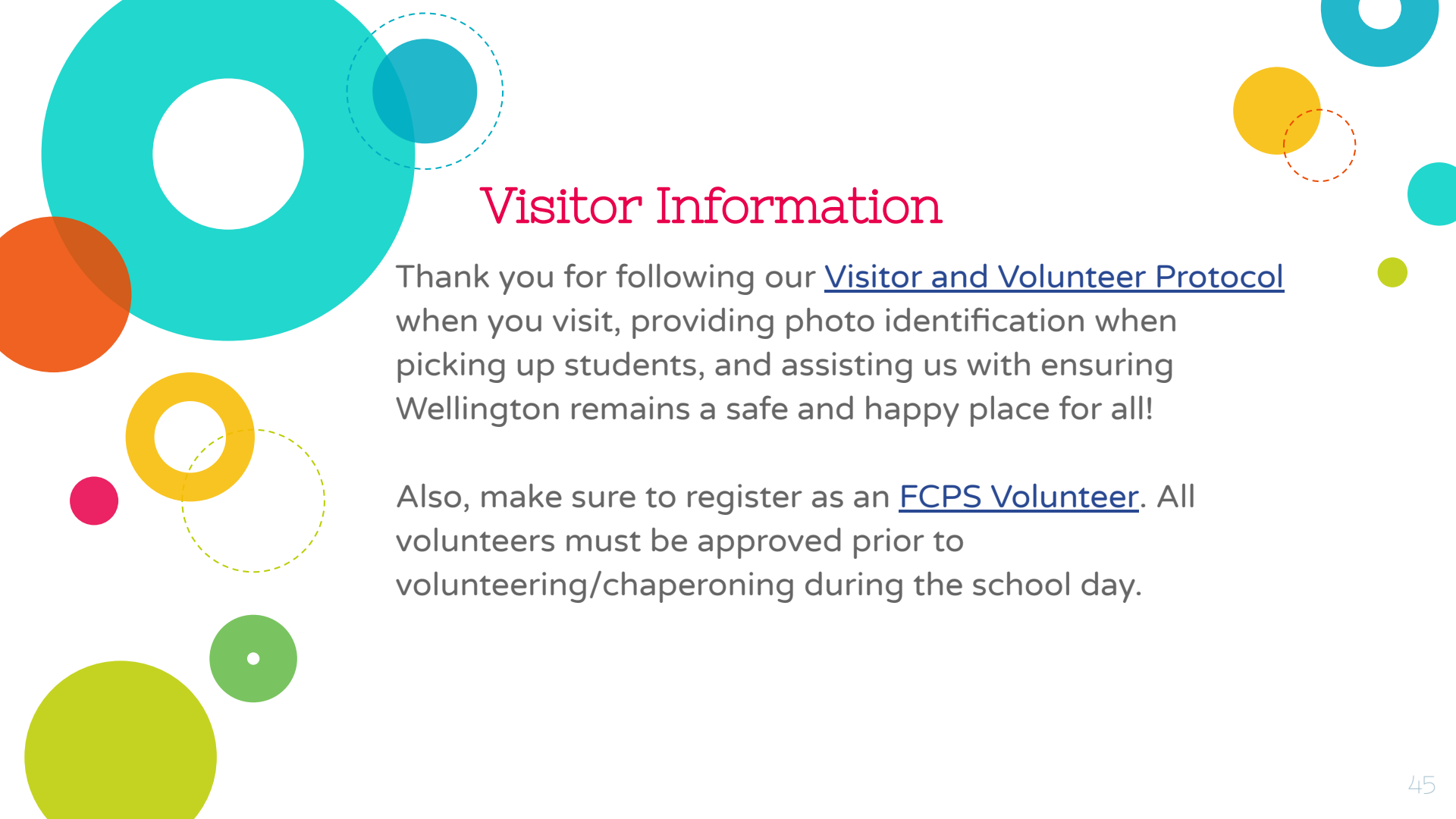
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Visitor and Volunteer Opportunities



## Visitor Information

Thank you for following our [Visitor and Volunteer Protocol](#) when you visit, providing photo identification when picking up students, and assisting us with ensuring Wellington remains a safe and happy place for all!

Also, make sure to register as an [FCPS Volunteer](#). All volunteers must be approved prior to volunteering/chaperoning during the school day.



## Volunteer Opportunities

There will be many volunteer opportunities throughout the school year. Having chaperones on field trips is very important and many families have been volunteers for our Book Fairs, Candy Grams, School Store, Fun Day, and more! The first step is to Register as **FCPS Volunteer**. All volunteers must be approved prior to assisting during the school day. The best time to register is now - before you need it!

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## Behavior Expectations: The Wellington Way

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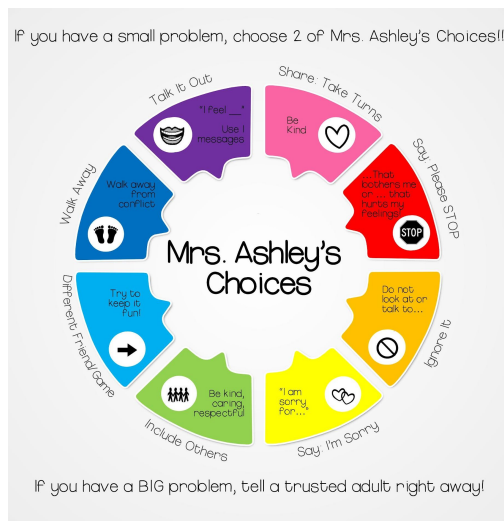
I am an explorer. I am  
prepared. I am a hard  
worker. I am a thinker and  
problem solver. I am kind,  
caring and respectful. This is  
the Wellington way.

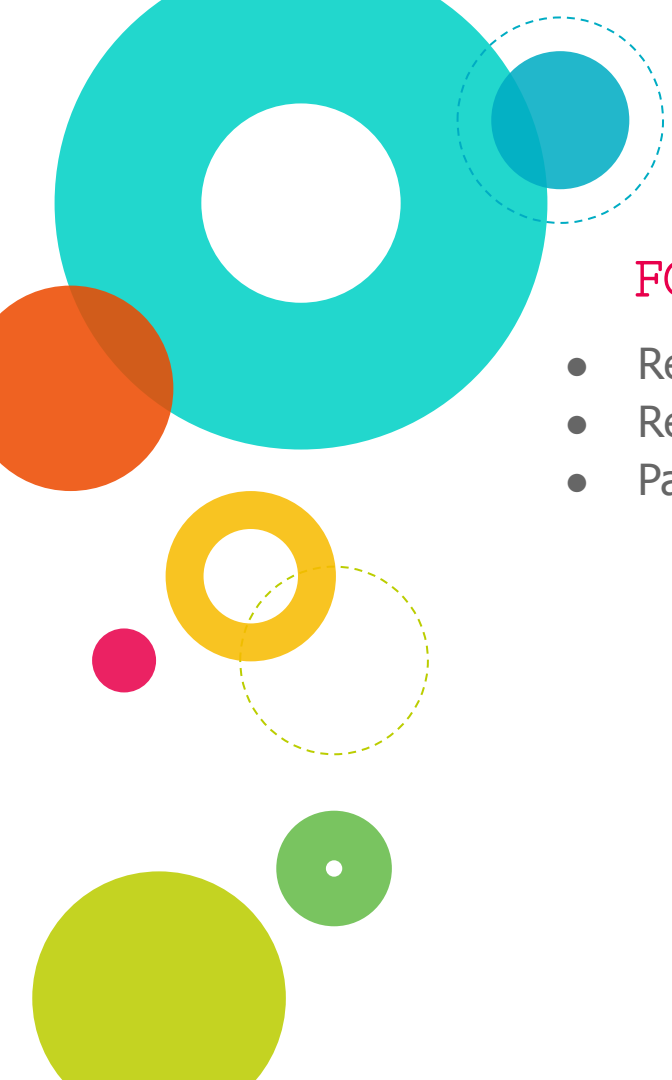
WELLINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# The Wellington Way

Everyone has the right to feel safe and happy  
at school.

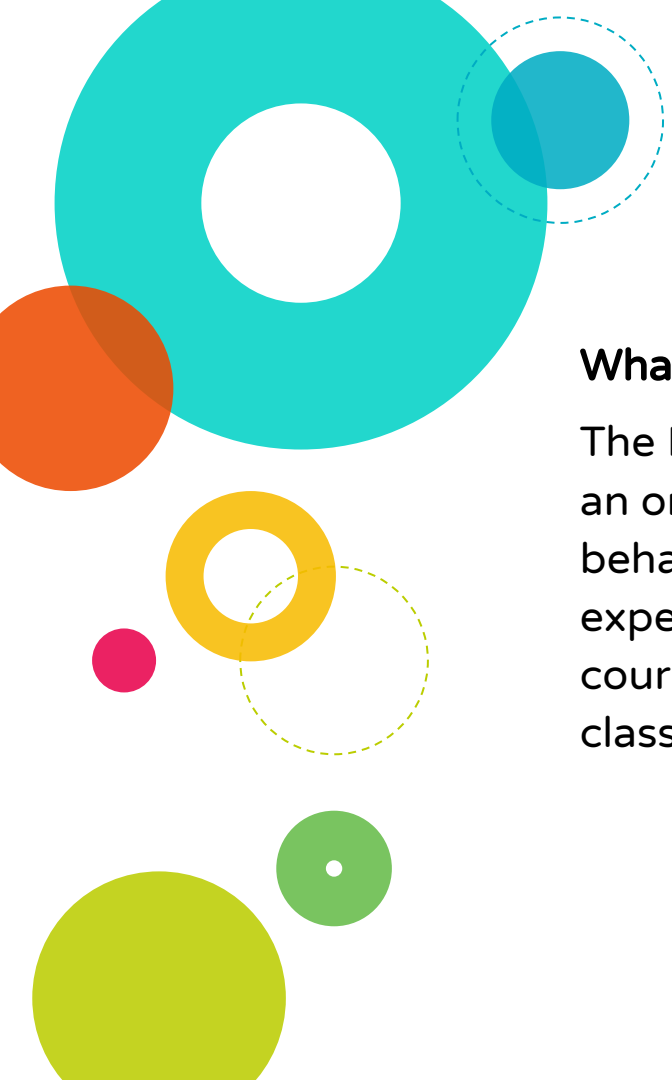
Make sure your words and actions are helping others  
to feel safe and happy.





## FCPS Annual Notifications

- Review [FCPS Student Code of Conduct](#)
- Review [Assault and Threats of Violence](#) Notification
- Paper copies available [upon request](#)



## Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports eOS Platform

### **What is eOS?**

The Employability Operating System, or eOS, is an online tool the school uses to track student behavior. Students are provided school wide expectations they are to meet during the course of the school day in each of their classes.



## Expected/Unexpected Behaviors

Students are learning to:

- ◎ Share attention and belongings
- ◎ Communicate their wants and needs appropriately
- ◎ Focus for longer periods of time
- ◎ Take direction from a variety of safe adults
- ◎ Make new friends
- ◎ Problem solve in social situations



## Expected/Unexpected Behaviors

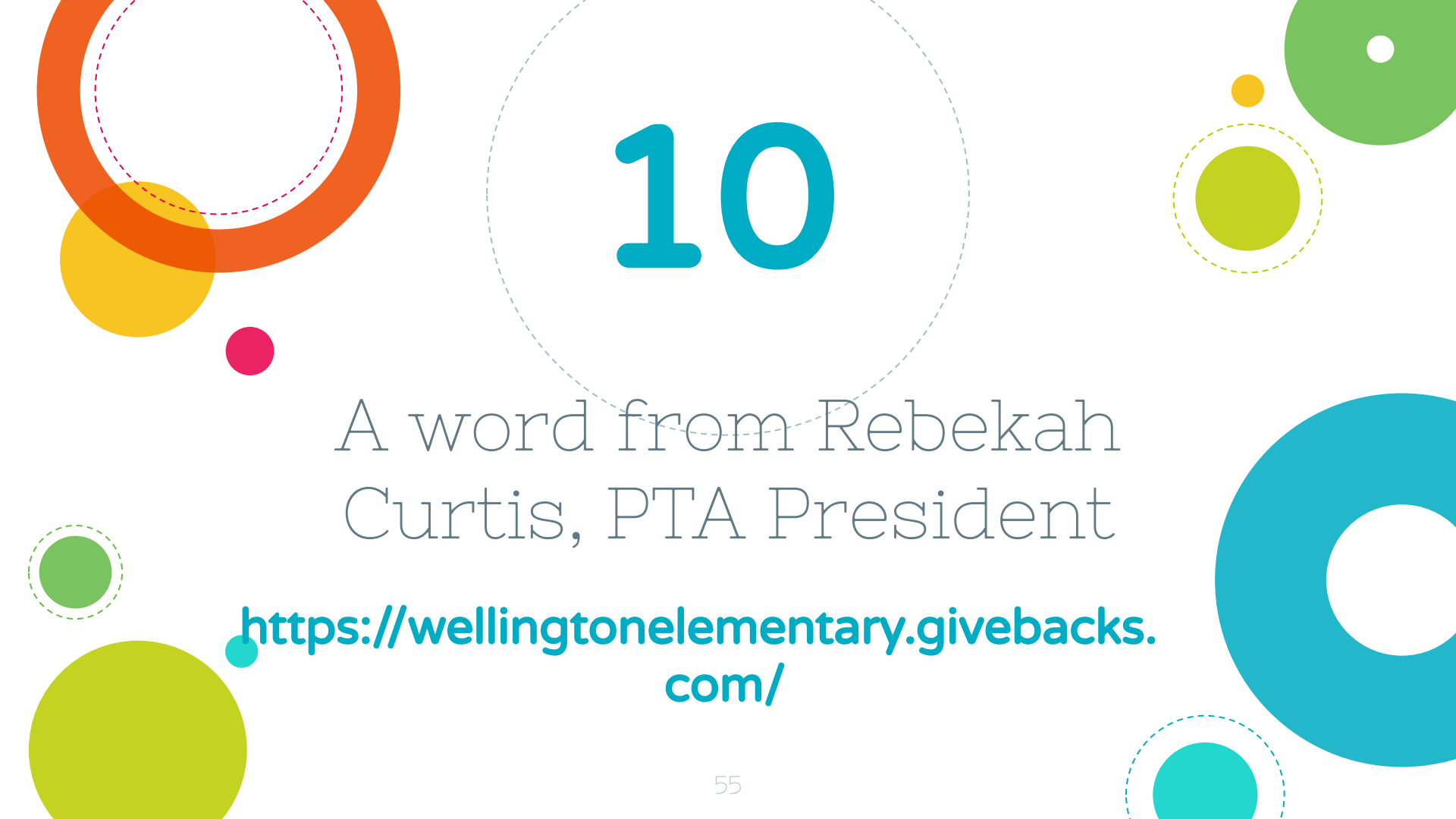
Sometimes we see/hear:

- © The Wellington Way the first time and every time! (Yay!)
- © Communicating with hands or feet instead of words (eek!)
- © Unkind words to get someone to share or stop doing something (yikes!)
- © Other unexpected behaviors



## Our Response:

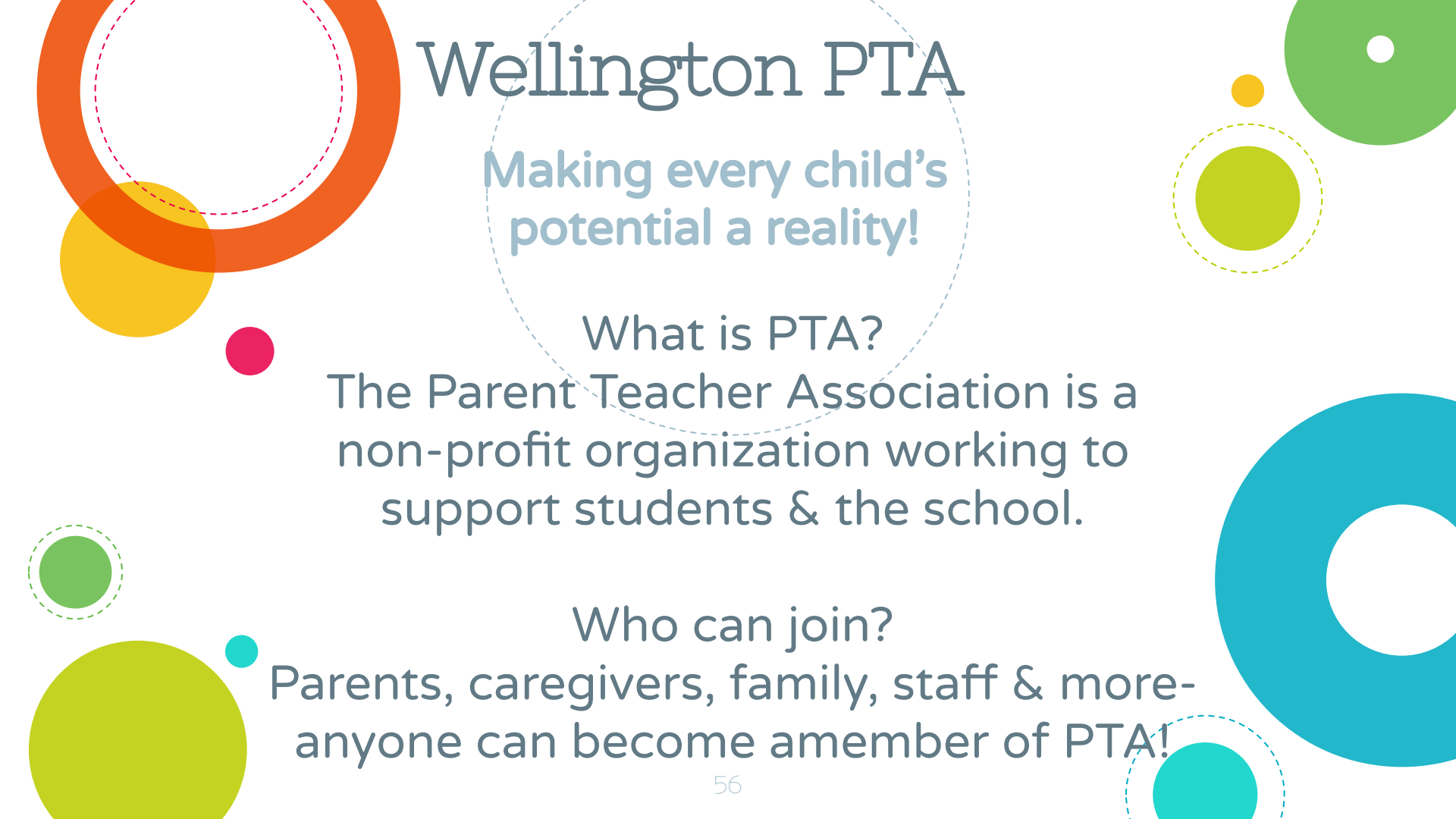
- ◎ Classroom Teacher (Parent Square or Call)
- ◎ + Guidance Counselor
- ◎ + Administrator
- ◎ + Consequences



# 10

A word from Rebekah  
Curtis, PTA President

[https://wellingtonelementary.givebacks.  
com/](https://wellingtonelementary.givebacks.com/)



# 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!

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