



Wildcat News



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W.A. Metcalfe Elementary School

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From the Desk of the Principal, Christiana Robbins

Greetings, Metcalfe Families:

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! We have a lot in store for our students to ensure that they are well-equipped with the academic and social skills they will need to be successful!

There are a few established procedures/protocol that I want to explain:

- **Morning Drop-Off**: Students should be dropped off from 7:15 AM to 7:45 AM at the front of the school. Please pull your car forward. Students must not be let out of the car in the parking lot.
- **Breakfast**: Breakfast begins at 7:15 AM. **Breakfast ends at 7:45 AM.**
- **Transportation Changes**: Changes in transportation **will not be accepted** via phone.
 - ❖ If you wish to change the way your child goes home, please send in a parent-/guardian-signed note.
 - ❖ In the event of an emergency, a change in transportation will be accepted via email from an email address that is on file with the school through Skyward and accompanied by a picture of the parent's/guardian's driver's license or valid photo ID.
- **Afternoon Pick-Up**
 - ❖ **All Vehicles Must Have a Pick-Up Sign**
 - ❖ The front car loop is a **No Parking Zone**. Please remain in your vehicle & continue to pull forward with flow of traffic.
 - ❖ Please display the parent pick-up sign in your vehicle with student name facing toward staff. **All Vehicles Must Have a Pick-Up Sign.**
 - ❖ If you are walking up, please have your walk-up sign and go to the Parent Walk-Up gate to pick up your child.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via telephone or via email at robbincl@gm.sbac.edu. I look forward to a great school year!

~ Ms. Robbins

Important Dates

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September 2nd

Dental Screenings for Students

September 5th

No School, Labor Day

September 8th

Title 1 Annual Meeting
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Open House

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

September 15th

Interim Reports
(Available in Family Access)

September 20th

SAC Meeting 4PM
Via Zoom
(Zoom link will be emailed)

Reminders

Breakfast

7:15 – 7:45 daily

School Hours

M, T, Th, F: 7:45 AM – 1:52 PM
W: 7:45 AM – 12:37 PM

Late Arrivals

Students who are tardy to school (arriving after 7:45 AM) must be signed in at the front office. School staff will walk your child to class.

Sign-In & Check Out

Checking students out prior to dismissal time is highly discouraged. We ask that you check students out no later than 1:20 PM on M, T, Th & F and no later than 12:05 PM on Wednesday.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS' CORNER

Michele O'Neil, Kichelle Sheppard

Welcome back, Metcalfe families. We are your Assistant Principals, Michele O'Neil and Kichelle Sheppard. We have enjoyed meeting many all of our new students, and to welcoming back our students from last year

During the month of September, students will be taking the DIBELS (K-5); Star Early Literacy (K-1); Star Reading (2); Star Math (K-2); F.A.S.T. ELA and Math (3-5). The data from these assessments will be shared with parents. If you have questions about these assessments, please contact your child's teacher or Ms. Sheppard for K-2 students at sheppardks@gm.sbac.edu or Ms. O'Neil for 3-5 students at oneilm1@gm.sbac.edu. We also can be reached via telephone at 352-955-6713.

-Ms. O'Neil and Ms. Sheppard

BEHAVIOR RESOURCE TEACHER

Franklin Moore, BRT

Hello, Metcalfe Families! My name is Franklin Moore, and I am the new BRT at Metcalfe this school year.

Metcalfe is a Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) school, which means that we work to motivate our students to have positive behavior. We also reward positive behavior with Class Dojo points, with "Paws" (which are Metcalfe "dollars" that students can earn to purchase items at the "Wildcat Wagon"/school store). Students are also selected to be "Wildcat of the Week" and are recognized for good character traits each month. We are looking forward to these things beginning this month.

I look forward to a positive school year with our students!

Mr. Moore

Open House



**Please join us on September 8th
for the
Title 1 Annual Parent Meeting
(5:00 pm – 5:30 pm)
&
Open House 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm**

ATTENDANCE

There have been many students arriving to school late. As a friendly reminder, students are tardy if they arrive after 7:45 AM. When students are tardy, they are missing breakfast and instruction. Please be sure to have your child arrive prior to 7:45 AM to ensure that they can get breakfast and get to class on time.

We look forward to a wonderful school year!