2023-2024
Enterprise
Elementary
Student/Parent
Guide



Hello Explorers,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! If you are joining us for the first time, welcome to our Enterprise Family! For those of you who have been a part of Enterprise Elementary for either a short while or many years, thank you for sharing your amazing children with us.

We have much to celebrate this year as we come back together. The hard work of our teachers, staff, and students was evident in our FAST ELA and Math scores and the Statewide Science Assessment results. The Florida Department of Education will not be issuing school grades until later this year, but our students showed remarkable growth throughout the year.

We are excited to begin our journey into the next school year together. We will work as partners within our school community to ensure our students are successful. We know that strong partnerships will greatly impact your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our student's success, as we can't achieve excellence alone. We are One Community, One School, One Team, One Goal...Excellence. Due to the amazing students, staff, and parents, Enterprise is a remarkable school for children to learn and grow.

We are looking forward to an incredible year of learning!

Your Proud Administration Team,

Kelli C. Dufresne, Principal

Roxanne Blaile, Assistant Principal



Enterprise Elementary Vision Statement

The Enterprise Community will inspire students to reach their full potential in becoming productive, confident, and caring individuals who demonstrate their personal best. (Revised August 2021)

Enterprise Elementary Mission Statement

The mission of Enterprise Elementary School is to foster an inclusive environment, provide a quality education, and build positive relationships to empower lifelong learners. (Revised August 2021)

Enterprise Elementary Collective Commitments

Collaboration/Relationships

We believe collaboration should be modeled and practiced by all. Collaboration happens best when we have established a safe environment, positive relationships, and the ability to value each other's points of view.

Goal Setting/Accountability

We believe all team members are accountable for setting and achieving challenging goals to develop lifelong learning.

Character/Positive Behavior

We believe all children have the right to be educated in an environment that promotes BLAST expectations.

Learning Environment/Climate

We believe in creating a safe, inclusive learning environment by modeling teamwork to inspire engaged, confident learners.

High Standards

We believe in setting high standards so that all shareholders can persevere and be equipped to reach their fullest potential.

Research-Based Strategies/Instructional Practices

We believe an optimal learning environment is created when research-based strategies are implemented to meet the individual needs of diverse learners.

Enterprise Expectations

Our universal school-wide expectations were established to provide proactive and effective positive support to our students regarding desired behaviors and to strengthen our positive school culture and spirit. Our expectations will assist in improving social, emotional, and academic outcomes for all students. These expectations will be taught and reinforced throughout the school year.



Be respectful and responsible
Lead with character
Actively engaged
Safe, prepared, and ready
Try your personal best

<u>First Day of School</u>

The first day of school is Thursday, August 10, 2023, for students in grades 1-6. Students entering Kindergarten will begin on Tuesday, August 15, 2023. Students beginning in PreK/Head Start will begin on Thursday, August 17, 2023. Students are expected to arrive between 7:30 a.m. and 7:45 a.m. Class begins at 8:00 a.m.

To maintain a safe and secure campus for all students and staff, we must have accountability for everyone on campus. Enterprise is a SAFE or "closed" campus. Families will not be permitted to walk their children to class. It is important for students to develop independence skills while at school. Therefore, we will have staff available to assist students needing extra guidance.

Please remember that the first few school days will be busier than usual. Students and parents will be getting familiar with our procedures. Arrival and dismissal may take longer due to precautionary measures we take to make sure every child gets to where they need to be safe. The beginning of the school year requires extra patience as parents and students become accustomed to routines. Thank you for working with us in this effort!

Attendance

The importance of regular attendance must be considered. A child should be in school every day that he/she is physically able. It is extremely difficult to keep up with classwork if attendance is irregular. It is equally important that students arrive at school on time to alleviate missed instructional time. The district's attendance policy states:

- A student who is absent more than nine (9) days within a semester will not receive a passing grade for the semester.
- Absences not counted in the nine (9) days attendance policy are court dates, religious holidays, illness with medical documentation, and chronic and extended illness.
- Kindergarten students must be in attendance for a minimum of 162 days as a criterion for progression to first grade.
- All students must attend for a minimum of four (4) hours of instructional time to be considered
 present each day.

Student Information Changes

It is most important that parents and guardians notify the school immediately of any changes in address or telephone numbers. In the event of an emergency, it is imperative that we can reach a child's parent or guardian. We appreciate your attention to this matter.

<u> Transportation Changes</u>

Please try to communicate transportation changes with your child's teacher as early as possible. Transportation changes must be made in writing and cannot be taken over the phone. You may send in a written note, send a message on Class Dojo (if your teacher uses it), or email the teacher directly. Please know that teachers are limited to time available to check messages during the school day. Please give teachers as much advance notice as possible, as teachers may not see your message if sent on the same day as the transportation change. In the event of an emergency, contact the front office so that they may notify the teacher of your written request.

Breakfast & Lunch

Hot breakfast and lunch are available for students every day school is in session. Breakfast is served from 7:30 a.m. – 7:50 a.m. and is free for all students. Lunch prices for the 2023-2024 school year are as follows:

Elementary Lunch: \$2.10 per day

Reduced Elementary Lunch: \$0.40 per day

Students wishing to purchase a la carte items in the cafeteria will need additional funds. Parents are encouraged to apply for Free and Reduced-Price Meal benefits. The Free and Reduced-Price Meal Application for the 2023-2024 school year is available on the BPS Food & Nutrition Services website. Please visit https://www.brevardschools.org/Page/3473 to complete the application online.

Prepaying for lunch is extremely helpful as students will not need to carry cash to school. You can prepay online through My Payments Plus to provide for cashless transactions for your child. To register for your free account, please visit www.mypaymentsplus.com. You will need your child's student identification number which can be found in Focus.

Please note that for the safety of our students and staff and due to the limitation of non-essential visitors on campus, parents and guardians are not permitted to eat breakfast or lunch with their child on campus.

Arrival and Dismissal

7:30 a.m. Gates open and student arrival begins. Students choosing to eat breakfast report to the cafeteria. Free breakfast is served to all students. Please do not drop students off earlier than 7:30 a.m., as there is no supervision.

7:45 a.m. Classroom doors open for students to enter.

8:00 a.m. Class begins (students arriving after 8:00 a.m. must check in through the front office to receive a tardy slip).

2:30 p.m. Bus Riders and Daycare Van Riders Dismissed

2:30 p.m. Car Loop Begins – Car Riders Dismissed as Parent Arrives

2:30 p.m. Bike Riders Dismissed

2:35 p.m. Walkers and Brevard Afterschool Care Dismissed

Friday Dismissal Time begins at 1:15 p.m.

Student Check Outs

No checkouts after 2:15 p.m. Monday - Thursday or 1:00 p.m. on Friday. If the person checking out the student is not the registering parent, we ask that the enrolling parent notify the school that a person on the registration form completed through FOCUS will be coming PRIOR to check-out time. We are not saying that those on your registration cannot check out; however, the procedures now require you to contact us before that checkout time with permission to ensure your child's safety.

Rainy Day Dismissal

Please ensure that you have a Rainy-Day Dismissal Plan in place with your child and his/her teacher. It is important for children to be aware in advance of what to do in case of stormy weather. If there is light rain with no sign of thunder or lightning, dismissal will proceed as usual. Bike riders and walkers will be reminded to proceed home as quickly as possible. In a severe downpour or signs of thunder or lightning, students will remain on campus and follow their Rainy-Day Dismissal Plan.

Drive-Up Only Car Loop

For safety purposes, please avoid parking in front of the school and walking through the bus loop and PK Car Loop to drop off or collect your student(s). This request is for the safety of our students, and your support is appreciated. We do not permit students to enter or exit our campus through the front gates unless they are bus riders.

To ensure the Car Loop for students in grades K-6 (west side of the school) moves swiftly, please display your car tag with your child's name when driving through it at dismissal. If you need a new tag, please come to the front office with your ID to receive another one.

Please note that the county has installed NO PARKING signs at the end of our bike path. Parents are not permitted to park at the end of the bike path to drop off or pick up their students. All parents wishing to drop off or pick up by car must come through the car loop. Brevard County Sherriff's Office will periodically monitor this area and issue traffic citations to those not following the posted signage.

Bus Transportation - ReaXium School Bus Ridership Program

Buses will be fully occupied; however, bus drivers will continue their practice in terms of cleaning, seating charts, and having hand sanitizer available. While riding the bus, students must adhere to the following rules:

- 1. Stand at least 5 feet off roadway while awaiting bus.
- 2. Stay in your seat while the bus is moving.
- 3. Keep arms and head inside windows.
- 4. Walk 12 feet in front of the bus. Wait for drivers signal before crossing road.
- 5. Unnecessary conversation with the driver is dangerous. Please remain quiet. Outside of normal conversation, classroom conduct is to be observed.
- 6. Absolute silence is required at all railroad crossings.
- The driver is in full charge of the bus and pupils. Pupils must obey driver.
- 8. The driver has the right to assign pupils to certain seats, if necessary, to promote order and safety for all students.
- 9. No eating, drinking, or smoking allowed on bus.
- 10. Pupils must be on time. The bus cannot wait for those who are tardy.
- 11. Use of cellular phones while riding the bus is prohibited.
- 12. The use of lap belts (if equipped) is mandatory.
- 13. Riding the bus is a privilege. Students violating bus rules will be reported to school administration for disciplinary action. This may include suspension, temporary or permanent, from the bus.

By implementing this program, District Transportation and school administrators will be able to improve the safety, security, visibility, and communications of school bus transportation by staying connected to everyone involved. Your bus rider(s) will be provided a district-issued bus badge with a barcode on your registration day unless they are provided a school ID at registration. Bus riders must have their badges readily available to be scanned while boarding and exiting the bus to improve load times. Please ensure your bus rider has their badge with them every day.

If preferred, the barcode can be accessed through the Brevard Focus App. Please follow these instructions to access the barcode and place on student phone:

- 1. Download Brevard Focus App
- 2. Logi n using your student's district email address: (i.e. studentid@brevardschools.org)
- 3. Log in to Microsoft using your student's district email address (i.e. studentid@st.brevardschools.org)
- 4. Enter Password
- 5. Click on \equiv
- 6. Click on Virtual ID Badge

Training materials have been prepared to introduce student bus riders as to what to expect when they board their buses and how this process will work. This material can be accessed at the following link: Riders <u>Training</u>

Bike Riders

Bike racks are available for students to park and chain their bicycles. The school is NOT responsible for damage or theft of any bicycle brought to school. Students who ride bicycles to school are requested to use locks for security reasons. Parents should instruct their children on safety rules, including using helmets and being cautious of vehicles on the roadways.

<u>Visitors/Volunteers on Campus</u>

Visitors are not allowed on campus during the regular school day unless they are attending a previously scheduled meeting or event. This includes walking students to class, eating lunch with students, or attending classroom events or celebrations. Brevard Public Schools will welcome registered volunteers for activities that are requested and planned by school staff. We will communicate volunteer opportunities as the needs arise. For information on how to become a registered volunteer, please visit the Brevard Public Schools website at https://www.brevardschools.org/Page/11104. Children not enrolled in our school are not permitted to come to school with Enterprise students or volunteer on campus unless it has been scheduled as part of their coursework.

Structured School Activities

All school activities will be structured. Student and staff safety will continue to be a priority. As we carefully plan school activities, we must be mindful of the capacity on campus.

Dress Code

Policy 5511 - STUDENT DRESS CODE

The Board recognizes that each student's mode of dress is a manifestation of personal style and individual preference. The Board will not interfere with the right of students and their parents/legal guardians to make decisions regarding their appearance. However, the standards of appearance for students shall ensure that the students be clean, neat, and properly dressed. They shall observe modes of dress and standards of personal grooming that conform with the studious atmosphere and good personal hygiene necessary in schools. Furthermore, it is the principal's responsibility to see that the dress or appearance of no student shall be extreme to the point of creating a disturbance or being hazardous to oneself, others, or school property. The dress code shall be incorporated into the Student Code of Conduct.

At a minimum, the dress code shall include provisions for the appropriateness of clothing, clothing accessories, and footwear, which will maintain adequate standards of safety, health, and welfare for all students. Beachwear and seethrough or otherwise revealing apparel is not considered to be appropriate.

Students shall not be permitted to wear clothing that contains printed profanity as defined in Policy 5500.

Student Conduct, or any clothing, accessories, or regalia that conveys membership or affiliation with a "gang" or other similarly oriented group or association prone to violence or criminal acts. Gang clothing, accessories, or regalia can include, but is not limited to, gang-related colors, rolled up bandanas about the head or other parts of the body, knit caps, rolled up or split pant cuffs, certain sports attire that has a "street meaning," etc.

The following procedures are established to promote discipline, maintain order, secure the safety of students, and provide a healthy environment conducive to academic purposes. Individual schools may develop more restrictive dress requirements if recommended by administrators, faculty, and staff and if approved by a majority of School Advisory Council (SAC) members. Notice of amended requirements must be provided to all parents in a timely manner through at least one (1) written or verbal communication and published in a document, such as a school handbook or student planner.

Principals may amend the dress code for events and special occasions such as spirit day, homecoming, Red Ribbon Week, or other District sanctioned events.

Requirements for student dress in all schools are listed below:

A. <u>Head</u>

Head gear, including but not limited to caps, hats, bandanas, and/or sunglasses, shall not be worn
indoors on campus unless permitted by the principal for religious or medical reasons. Students may
wear sunglasses, hats, or other sun-protective wear outdoors during school hours; however, these
articles must not violate this dress code.

B. <u>Clothing</u>

- 1. All clothing must be appropriately sized, securely fastened, and cover the midriff, back, sides, and undergarments. For example, suspenders should be over the shoulders, pants secured at the waist, belts buckled, no underwear as outerwear, and no underwear exposed. Clothing should be opaque.
- 2. Garments must be of a length and fit acceptable to the student's build and stature. The cut of sleeveless garments must not expose undergarments. Clothing must cover the body from one armpit across to other armpit. Upper garments should meet lower garments.

- 3. Strapless garments are prohibited. (Tube tops and halter tops are prohibited.) Formalwear for special events may include strapless garments.
- 4. Pants and shorts shall conform to the build and stature of the student, shall be worn at the waist, and shall not extend below the heel of the shoe in length. Rips, holes, or tears in clothing must be below mid-thigh.
- 5. Shorts must have clearly discernable inseams that cover the buttocks.

C. <u>Footwear</u>

- 1. Students must wear safe and appropriate shoes for the learning environment, including recess, PE, CTE, and labs. (Crocs are not appropriate for grades K-6).
- 2. Students in grades 7- 12 may wear footwear commonly considered beachwear (for example, flip flops, thongs, Crocs, etc.) unless a course of instruction requires them to wear safe and appropriate footwear to protect the student from injury (i.e., athletic shoes in physical education class).
- 3. Inappropriate footwear includes but is not limited to, roller skates, skate shoes, and slippers.

D. Accessories

- 1. Gang paraphernalia, garments and/or jewelry, tattoos, or other insignias, which display or suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, alcohol, or tobacco-related wording/graphics or may tend to provoke violence or disruption in school shall not be worn.
- 2. Clothing must not state, imply, or depict hate speech or imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religious affiliation, or other characteristics protected by Federal or State law.
- 3. Any articles of clothing or jewelry that may cause injury, including, but not limited to, items with spikes or sharp objects, wallet chains, and heavy link chains, are not allowed.
- 4. Dress shall not emulate non-human characteristics.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative procedures to implement this policy which:

- A. designate the principal as the arbiter of student dress and grooming in his/her building;
- B. instruct staff members to demonstrate by example and precept wholesome attitudes toward neatness, cleanliness, propriety, modesty, and good sense in attire and appearance;
- C. ensure that all rules implementing this policy impose only minimum and necessary restrictions on the exercise of the student's taste and individuality.

District staff shall enforce the school's dress code in a non-discriminatory and uniform manner.

The District is cognizant that students' religions, disabilities, or medical conditions may impact their ability to comply with the standard student attire policy. Reasonable accommodations based on religion, disability, or medical condition shall be permitted individually.

Student Wellness

Parents will continue to be the first level of daily health checks for their children. Parents and legal guardians are responsible for promptly picking up or properly arranging for the pick-up of a student sent home from the clinic. All medications must be brought, in the original container (both over the counter and prescription), directly to the clinic by the parent or legal guardian. Students are not permitted to bring medications to school and/or keep medications in their backpacks or on their person. All medications must go through our school clinic.

Student Cell Phones

For students to possess a cell phone or Wireless Communication Device (WCD) on the school campus, a signed Student/Parent Cell Phone or Wireless Communication Device (WCD) Contract must be on file. The possession of a cell phone/WCD on the school campus is a privilege that may be revoked at any time by administration for violating the school policy regarding such possession. Cellphones/WCDs, except those approved by a teacher or administrator, are prohibited and must be either powered completely off (or placed into vibrate or silent mode) and stored out of sight. Students shall have no expectation of confidentiality with respect to their use of cellphones/WCDs on school property. The school and its employees are in no way responsible for any theft or damage of my cell phone/WCD while on school grounds. The school is not obligated to investigate the loss or damage of any phone.

Wireless Communication Device Misuse:

- o First Offense: Referral, confiscation of device, parent/guardian contact
- o Second Offense: Referral, confiscation of device, parent/guardian contact, loss of cellphone privileges
- o Third Offense: Referral, confiscation of device, parent/guardian contact, may be assigned other corrective action in Code of Conduct
- o Any violation beyond a third offense may result in an out-of-school suspension.

Major Wireless Communication Device Violations

The following could result in an out-of-school suspension of up to 10 days with possible placement in an alternative setting and/or expulsion.

- § Recording fights or similar events
- § Capturing, recording, or transmitting (sending or posting) images and/or video of any student or staff member without consent.
- § Capturing, recording, or transmitting audio, video, or photograph(s) to degrade, threaten, intimidate, or dehumanize.
- § Cyberbullying

Communication Plan for our Families

We will be utilizing a variety of means of communication for our families this year. Below is a list of ways in which we will communicate with our families, and you can communicate with our school:

Enterprise Express: We will publish an electronic newsletter for families twice a month containing important school and district information. We will e-mail and/or text message families through FOCUS with the link to view the newsletter.

Monthly Calendar: We will post a monthly calendar on our school website and Enterprise Express publications to inform you of important dates and events occurring each month. Please know that dates are always subject to change, and planning is difficult. With the use of our digital calendar, we are saving costs on printing.

FOCUS: We will utilize FOCUS to send mass emails, text messages, or phone calls to our families with important messages.

Class Dojo: We will use Class Dojo to keep families informed of valuable information and send reminders regarding school activities. Teachers may also use Class Dojo to communicate with the families of students within their classes.

Facebook: Please follow us on Facebook @EnterpriseElementary. Please know that there is an unofficial Facebook page for our school. To be sure you are following the correct page, select the page with our school mascot as the profile picture. We use Facebook to notify our families of valuable information, send reminders regarding school activities, and share fun things our students participate in at school.

Parental Concerns or Suggestions

The staff at Enterprise takes pride in the parental support that we receive. It is important that we understand and explore your concerns and your contentment with our school. Problems relative to the classroom or other school matters should be handled in the following manner:

- 1. Discuss your concerns with the teacher or other appropriate individual. Every effort should be made to first resolve your concerns at the level closest to the child.
- 2. If the situation is not rectified, please contact school administration for additional support.

<u>Open House</u>

Teachers will host an Open House to explain the policies and procedures used within their classroom and will highlight the grade-level BPS adopted curriculum and state benchmarks.

These meetings will occur during the following dates and times (tentative and subject to change):

August 29, 2023	August 30, 2023	August 31, 2023
Grade 4: 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. Grade 5: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Grade 6: 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Grade 2: 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. Grade 3: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.	Grade K: 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. Grade 1: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.

School Supplies

A list of grade level supplies needed for the beginning of the school year has been posted on the school website under the Parents & Students Tab. Individual feachers may request additional supplies or have a wish list once school starts.

BPS FOCUS

FOCUS School Software allows parents to quickly monitor their child's academic progress and view assignments, grades, and attendance throughout the school year. Parents can also send and receive messages to/from their child's classroom teacher within FOCUS. Student Interim Reports and Report Cards are digitally posted to FOCUS at the middle and end of each grading period. Parents and guardians can register for a FOCUS account by visiting the BPS website at www.brevardschoools.org and selecting FOCUS on the top toolbar. Parents will need their child's unique FOCUS PIN to add their child to the account.

Brevard Afterschool Care

Brevard After School programs provide a safe and healthy environment beyond the school day that challenges and encourages children to participate in various activities while supervised by caring, qualified staff. Children have time to socialize with their peers, eat a healthy snack, join organized games, partake in indoor and outdoor play activities, and choose from various age-appropriate materials. They are also provided with an organized play space and space for homework time.

Program Operation Days/Times: Our BAS programs are open every day school is in regular session. We offer a morning program that opens at 6:30 a.m. We also offer an afternoon program that closes at 6:00 pm. Our BAS program is closed on all non-school days.

To inquire about registration and program fees, view the BPS Brevard Afterschool website or contact our school BAS Coordinator, Kaitlyn Scotti, at 321-633-3434 ext. 44213.