

Frequently Asked Questions by New Bennett Families

Q: What supplies will my child need for school?

A: A school supply list can be found on the website www.bennettelementary.org in addition, a list is sent home in the mail in mid August.

Q: When do I find out who my child's teacher is?

A: Classroom assignments are posted on the main doors the Friday before school begins at 4:00pm.

Q: How many recesses are there?

A: One fifteen minute AM and PM recess and a 30-minute lunch recess.

Q: When will I find out where my child will catch the bus?

A: Transportation will mail out cards with information on the time and place for pick up. Cards are usually mailed in August.

Q: If my child wants to go home with someone else, whom will I notify?

A: Please e-mail or send a note to the teacher, C.c. the office in case there is a substitute. The teacher will then write your child a bus pass. Your child cannot get on a different bus or off at a different stop without a bus pass.

Q: How does the bus driver and others know that he/she is a new Kindergartner?

A: The transportation office will mail you wristbands to help identify which bus and which stop your child is to follow.

Q: How do I volunteer to help in class?

A: During curriculum night, teachers have sign up sheets or you may contact the teacher directly.

Q: Can I come to school recess/lunch time whenever I want?

A: Whenever you visit school, you must check in at the office. You may visit during lunch anytime. Other visitation times must be scheduled with the teacher.

Q: How can I join the PTSA?

A: Membership forms are mailed with the school packet in mid-August. Membership forms are also available at the Parents Welcome, the first day of school, and at Curriculum night in September

Q: How can I get to know other parents?

A: Working in the classroom and volunteering at school provide terrific opportunities to meet other parents and children.

Q: How does my child buy lunch?

A: Money is deposited into their account, checks made payable to Bennett Elementary. You can pay with Visa/MasterCard charged through PayPams at www.paypams.com or 1-800-994-5100. Please be advised a \$10.00 yearly fee will be charged if you utilize the PayPams service..

Q: Can my child just buy milk?

A: Yes, milk costs 50 cents this year.

Q: My child has a food allergy, how does the school deal with this?

A: Please inform their teacher and clearly state the allergy(s) on their Emergency card which is distributed the first week of school.

Q: My child needs to take medication at school. What do I need to do?

A: All medications will need a doctor's prescription and a signed medical form available from the office. Parents must also sign off on the form. All medications include over the counter and prescription drugs. We are only allowed to administer medications that can be swallowed. We cannot administer eye drops or ointments.

Q: What happens if my child is sick?

A: Please call in absences or late arrivals to Bennett's main office at 425-456-4800.

Q: What should I do if my child arrives after school has started?

A: Please check in with the office and have your student pick up a late slip.

Q: What do I need to do to take my child out of school early for an appointment?

A: Please come to the office to sign out your child. The office will call down to the teacher to request dismissal of your student.