



**Tune into Learning...
Rock this Year!**

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SANDPIPER ELEMENTARY

August 7, 2018

School hours 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Principal Newsletter

Welcome to a new and exciting year at Sandpiper Elementary! On the first day of school Wednesday, August 15th breakfast service will begin at 7:15 a.m. and classes start at 8:00 a.m. **Please be aware there is no supervision of students before 7:15 a.m. Parents MAY NOT drop off their child before this time.** Students who arrive late, after 8:00 a.m. must be escorted into the school and signed in by a parent.

Safety and security of our students continue to be our top priority at Sandpiper Elementary. The following security measures will be implemented:

- All students/staff must wear their ID at all times.
- Sandpiper Elementary is a uniform school.
- Only on Wednesday, August 15 through Friday, August 17 Parents will be permitted to escort their child(ren) to their classroom. By the second bell, all parents will leave campus so we can begin the school day.
- Students in the PreK, VPK and ASD Special Programs will meet in the cafeteria for arrival in the morning.
- On Monday, August 20 it is Independence day. Only parents/visitors/guests with scheduled appointments will be permitted on campus.
- Once the school day begins, ALL perimeter gates will be secured and all visitors will have to enter through the main front office.
- The front office doors will be locked at 8:15 a.m. Clerical staff will open the doors as needed.
- To gain access to the campus, all parents/visitors/guests are required to present identification cards in the front office and be

processed through the Security Tracking and Response (STAR) system. You must sign in and out of campus.

- Sandpiper Elementary will conduct **monthly Code Red drills** in addition to other state-required fire and tornado drills. Appropriate notification will be provided for all Code Red drills.
- At 2:00 p.m. VPK, Kindergarten, First Grade, Second Grade and Third Grade students will be dismissed at the front car loop. Older siblings of these students will accompany them in the front car loop.
- At 2:00 p.m. students in Fourth and Fifth Grade will be dismissed in the north car loop by the second gate.
- At 1:50 p.m PreK students will be dismissed at the north car loop by the first gate near kindergarten pod.
- **Any change of dismissal must be received in written form with the date and signature from a parent. Please do not call the front office. All changes should be completed prior to the start of the school day.**
- All school forms are completed online at www.browardschools.com/bts.

I understand that these expectations will require a change in procedures and at times may also pose inconvenience however, prioritizing the safety and security of our students and staff is paramount. We need your help to successfully implement all safety and security procedures. Please communicate the importance of these safety initiatives to your child(ren) on a regular basis. More detailed information is available on the school website at <https://www.browardschools.com/sandpiper>

We look forward to a great year!



August 14, 2018

TIME

GRADE

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Grades 3, 4 and 5

8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

Grades 1, 2 and ASD

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

VPK, PreK and K

Our Meet and Greet will give you the opportunity to find your child's classroom and meet your child's teacher. If you are bringing your child's supplies that day, please make sure all items are labeled. All other information will be discussed at Open House.

Apply For School Meal Benefits The Easy Way

Please make sure that all free and reduced lunch applications are submitted on-line as soon as possible. The website is myschoolapps.com. If you need any assistance in completing the application, feel free to come to the school and we are happy to help you. Please remember that families that are not approved for free or reduced lunch benefits will be paying full price for lunch until approved. It is very important that parents check their child's account balance regularly as we want to ensure that all students receive a full lunch every day. Breakfast is free for all students.



September 12, 2018

PreK, VPK, K, 1 and 2

5:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

Grades 3, 4, 5 and ASD Special Programs

6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.

We will begin each session in the cafeteria. Parents will meet Administration, Special teachers and Support Team and review the Title I Power Point. Then parents will visit their child's classroom.

Open House is an opportunity for you to learn about the classroom procedures and systems, review student work, and browse through textbooks. You can also network with other families. We look forward to seeing you there!



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