



Hello Bonillas Families and Community Members,

July 2023

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year. I am looking forward to another year as your principal and serving the Bonillas community. I want to first thank everyone for the commitment to return to Bonillas and to continue to be a part of our community. Bonillas is a unique school that is dedicated to the continued development of all our young people as well as our families. Please read carefully through the bullet points below to assist you with your return to school. In addition, every Friday afternoon you will receive a quick update with important information and reminders.

- **Teacher Assignments:** Tentative assignments can be found on your Parent Vue account. By the Meet the Teacher event, all assignments will be finalized.
- **Breakfast:** All students can enjoy free breakfast starting at 8:00 am.
- **Lunch:** All students are welcome to eat lunch at school for free or bring in a lunch box from home.
- **Snacks:** Snacks can be brought from home; however, we are asking students not to share anything with others as a health precaution.
- **Safety:** Bonillas is equipped with control access throughout the building. This allows the team to lock down the campus within seconds. In addition, we regularly practice our emergency drills. All outside windows to the campus have been privacy tinted so no one can see in. We also screen all visitors using our camera and call station outside the front door. Parents and visitors will always be asked who they are, who their student is and what do they need prior to entering the building. We appreciate everyone allowing us to keep our students and campus safe by following all procedures.
- **Parent Pick up and Drop Off:** Please look at the attached map to understand parent drop off and pick up. All parents, guardians and students are required to follow the instated drop off procedure to keep everyone safe. At no time is it acceptable for students to enter or exit a car that is in the middle of the parking lot. *Infractions to this will result in restrictions to the property.*
- **Supplies:** To assist our families, we purchased all common supplies for students including, crayons, markers, notebooks, white board markers, etc. At Meet the Teacher, you will receive a wish list of other items. The only item students need is a backpack. We hope that purchasing the rest of the school supplies will assist families in other ways.
- **Start Time:** Students are expected to be in line by 8:27am to meet their teacher. All gates close at 8:30am.
- **Dismissal:** Students' dismissal from school on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday is at 2:45 pm. On Wednesdays, we dismiss at 1:45 pm. Please make sure students are always aware of how they are getting home. If there is a change to the pickup procedure, please let the front office know at least 30 minutes prior to dismissal. *In addition, we do not dismiss students from class within 15 minutes of dismissal.*
- **Absences:** This year is extremely important to your child's growth. With that, it is important they are in school every single day to be successful. Research shows that missing more than 8 days of school can cause significant gaps in a student's education. Please try to schedule



appointments or family outings around the school schedule. If a student is consistently absent, a member of the Family Support Team will reach out to see how we can best support you.

- **Late Arrivals:** We understand that incidents happen which cause students to be late. Consistent late arrivals each day throws off the student's routine and procedure. They all miss out on having fun with the classmates in the morning. Any student arriving late to campus will need a parent to walk them up and sign in at the front office to be admitted.
- **Uniforms:** Please see the attached document to assist you with what to purchase. Dressing your student out of uniform is a disciplinary violation. We will send notices home when a student is out of dress code. After the third notice, parents will need to meet with a Family Support Team Member.
- **Volunteers / Visitors:** Parents that want to volunteer are welcome. To volunteer on field trips, parents must fill out the application online. For further questions regarding volunteering, please speak with the front office.

Upcoming Dates:

- **Tuesday, August 1st:** Kinder Meet the Teacher 10:00 – 11:00 am
- **Wednesday, August 2nd:** Meet the Teacher for all students 10:00 – 11:00 am
- **Thursday, August 3rd:** First day of school
- **Friday, August 11th:** Dollar Dress Down Day
- **Friday, August 11th:** Bonillas Open House 5:00-7:00pm
 - We will have food trucks on campus at 5:00pm.
 - Presentation starts in the Café at 5:30pm.
 - Teachers will present twice incase parents have multiple rooms to visit.

Again, thank you for your commitment to Bonillas. We are so excited to begin this year in partnership with you. I am proud to serve as the principal of the school and am excited to be part of the great things that are occurring here at Bonillas.

All my best,

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