

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA
Bridesburg School

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

August 2019

Welcome back for the 2019-2020 School Year. I hope that your summer has been restful, safe and enjoyable. In just a few short weeks a new school year will begin! We, the staff of Bridesburg School, look forward to a successful opening on Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

The entire school staff is committed to continue implementing the successful educational programs initiated over the past several years in the School District of Philadelphia.

We will strive to provide every student with the skills they need to be successful, productive and engaged citizens. That means that we are committed to provide all children with challenging instruction in preparation for a successful future. We will continue working to create a community of learners that include Teachers and Support Staff, Students and Caregivers. We hope to grow together and support each other.

We will work tirelessly to keep our school a safe and orderly place for all students. To help us in that effort, we will continue to implement a Positive Behavior Support Program at our school. This initiative provides training for all staff to teach our students to Take care of themselves, Take care of others, Take care of our classrooms, and take care of our School.

We know that when students attend school regularly, they have a much stronger opportunity to be successful. We need your commitment as parents to assure that your child arrives at school, on time every day, prepared and ready to learn! Our attendance goal this year is for all students to attend school 95% or more of the 180 days. This means that students cannot miss more than 9 days a year to meet this goal.

Please review the attached directions regarding the first day of school and our school uniform policy.

We look forward to seeing you at our Bridesburg Back to School Nights:
Thursday, September 19 at 6:00 pm for Grade Kindergarten-Grade 2 at our Annex Building.
Thursday, September 26 at 6:00 pm for Grades 3-8 at our Main Campus.

Be sure to visit our website at www.philasd.org/bridesburg for up to date information, including summer assignments, uniform policies and supply lists.

Respectfully,

James M. Serpiello, Principal
John Reese, PhD., Assistant Principal

Directions for the Opening of School

Kindergarten Students

Tuesday September 3, 2019, First Day of School. Report to the Gymnasium at the Bridesburg Annex at 9:30 AM. Your child will meet his or her teachers and will be assigned to a classroom. Dismissal will be at 3:09 P.M. Parents will meet their children in the schoolyard daily.

Grades 1-2 Students:

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 , First day of School

All Students beginning Grades 1 and 2 - Report to the Annex Lunchroom between 8:15 A.M. and 8:25 A.M. Children will sit **according to their room assignments from last year.** Adults will be in the Cafeteria to assist your children. Dismissal will be at 3:09 P.M. Parents will meet their children in the schoolyard for pickup.

Grades 3 Students:

Tuesday, September 3, 2019, First day of School

Report to the Gym at the main building at **9:00 am.** Please sit with the students from your 2nd grade classrooms from last year. Dismissal will be at 3:09 P.M. Parents will meet their children in the schoolyard for pickup.

Grades 4-6 Students

All Students beginning Grades 4-6 - Report to the Main Campus Gym between 8:15 A.M. and 8:25 A.M. Children will sit **according to their room assignments from last year.** (A grade 4 student will sit with his 3rd grade classmates from last year)

Grades 7-8 Students

All Students beginning Grades 7-8 – Report to the Cafeteria between 8:15 and 8:25 A.M. Children will sit **according to their room assignments from last year.** (A grade 7 student will sit with his 6th grade classmates from last year)

Autistic Support Students report to the Gym after exiting buses. Assistants will escort students to the IMC.

Students new to Bridesburg: Please report to the Gym and sit in the area designated for new students

August 26, 2019, Kindergarten interviews

Kindergarten parents will be contacted and invited to a conference with their child's teachers to gather important information and complete an interview.

Parents of Students in Grades Kindergarten-2

Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. Please plan to attend our Back to School Night at the Bridesburg Annex.

Parents of Students in Grades 3-8

Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. Please plan to attend our Back to School Night at our Main Campus.