Bryant News

August 25, 2016

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CALENDAR

The Week Ahead

Fri Aug 26

 First Friday 1 hour late arrival –Entry 8:05

Tues Aug 30

 1:30-2:45 Band and Orchrestra Try-outs

Mark Your Calendar For Upcoming Dates

No School on Labor Day Monday, September 5th

Bryant Skate Party Sept 8

6:00-8pm Bryant
Skate Party

Open House Sep 13

• 6:00-7:30pm

BRYANT FAMILIES,

It was great to welcome all of the students and families to the start of the 2016-2017 school year. I am pleased to be a Bryant Bulldog and look forward to meeting all of you throughout this school year. As we come to the end of this first week, I can already see that students have learned school routines and have the foundation in place for a great year.

We want to encourage you to be in communication with school. Please feel free to contact teachers or the office staff if we can be of assistance to you in any way. Keep up to date by visiting our school website at www.bryant.dbqschools.org and follow us on Facebook (search for Bryant Family Organization.) Like us and share!

Chris McCarron, Principal

SAFETY AT ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

The enrollment at Bryant has been increasing over the past few years. This year, the enrollment is at 333. This means that we have many more students to transition safely to and from school.

Please take a moment to review the suggestions below. It is very helpful when you share this information with others who might be dropping off or picking up your child.

- 1. Students should arrive no earlier than 8am since this is the time that supervision begins.
- 2. Adults need to park legally at arrival and dismissal. This means not double-parking in our Mt. Loretta lot when it is full. Also, please do not park in nearby private lots: East Mill Bake Shop and Villa Raphael on Mt. Loretta. We want to be considerate neighbors. St. Columbkille Parish has agreed to allow us to park in their lot that sits between our playground and their church. We are allowed to park in the rows of spots closest to the wall.
- **3.** It is important that all adults and students utilize the crosswalks at both arrival and dismissal. The few extra minutes that it takes to go to the crosswalk assures safety for everyone.
- 4. Use the crosswalk at arrival and dismissal.
- **5.** Keep pets at home rather than bringing them to arrival and dismissal. I love pets! It's just not worth the risk of injury to a child.
- **6.** The playground is closed to the public until 4pm on school days. That means students without an adult to supervise them need to head home at dismissal.

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BRYANT BFO

At orientation, the BFO had a table in the gym to share information with parents. The BFO is the Bryant Family Organization. The group helps to provide special events for our students and to raise funds to support a variety of different things for our school. The BFO encourages all parents to actively participate in the life of Bryant. There is a BFO meeting once per month for anyone interested in attending. They are generally held on the third Thursday of the month from 6pm-7pm in the library. Be sure to watch the Bryant calendar for specifics regarding the meeting.

BRYANT APPAREL

If you are interested in purchasing Bryant apparel, please go to http://bryant.itemorder.com/sale. The BFO will be taking orders until September 19th. They anticipate that orders will be delivered to school within two-weeks of the order being placed. Please note that if you order sweatshirts, there is now an option of having a name put on the back of the sweatshirt.

FRIDAY MORNING LATE ARRIVAL

The first hour of every Friday has been set aside for professional development time for teachers. The Dubuque Community School District wants to provide the best possible education for your child. To do so, educators need to have opportunity to learn new skills, discuss practices and collaboratively plan instruction for the students.

For families who had students in school last year, the Friday morning late arrive plan is the same as it was last year. To new families, it is important to remember that there is a one-hour delay schedule on Friday.

IF you need supervision for your child between 8:00 and 9:00 on Friday mornings, there is an option available for your child. During this time, your child will have the opportunity to work on homework or read. This is not a childcare program, but simply a supervised quiet reading time. If you already have a before-school plan, please continue that routine. If your child is going to participate in the Friday morning supervision program, please have your child arrive at 8:00 and stand on their assigned line as they do each morning. Students will enter the program between 8:00 and 8:15.

If your child is NOT participating in the program, the schedule will be delayed one hour.

- 9:00 Supervision begins on the playground. Students should not arrive before 9:00
- 9:05 Students enter the building
- 9:15 Students are marked tardy.

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