



Burcham Elementary

Welcome, families!



Parents as Partners

- You are your child's first teacher and know your child best.
- The family and school must work closely and communicate to make your child's education the best it can be.
- Thank you for coming tonight!



Welcome to Burcham Elementary!

- If you have any questions about the information presented tonight, please drop by the office or call me anytime.



Arrival/Dismissal

- Arrival – Front doors or Cafeteria Doors
- Park your car if you plan to get out and walk your child in. The traffic must flow continually to allow time for everyone to drop off their children.
- Breakfast – Students eating need to be here by 7:45am.
- Dismissal – Car tags are very important. Be sure that the person picking up your child has it.
- Call by 2:00pm if you have a change.



Attendance

- Thank you for getting your child to school on time.
- Attendance is very important to their learning. You received the attendance policy at enrollment.
- Communication with the office is very important when your child must be absent.



Perfect Attendance

- We will honor students with perfect attendance each month. They will receive a Perfect Attendance Tag and have names displayed in the Cafeteria.
- Students with no absences will receive a special plaque in May for Perfect Attendance.
- Students with 3 or fewer absences will receive a special award in May for Outstanding Attendance.



Testing Requirements

- The federal law requires that we test students at the beginning, middle and end of the year.
- Students who do not meet the minimum score requirements, must receive interventions.
- You will receive score reports after the assessments have been given.



Testing Requirements



- Go to the Burcham Elementary website.
- Go to “Faculty and Staff”. Click on “Kindergarten” or “First Grade”. You will see at the bottom three items that include “Curriculum Map, PASS for Parents, and Assessment Information”.
- School Accountability Reports.
- Academic Performance Index (API) Scores:
2008-2009 API 1480 2009-2010 API 1154
Attendance 95.8% Attendance 95.8%



Reading



- Reading at home daily is very important.
- Our motto is “The more you read, the better you read.”
- Principal’s Chair Reading Club – first graders
 - Students read 100 books.
- Reading Readiness Royalty-kindergarteners
 - Families read 100 books and student knows all upper and lowercase letters.



Math

- Practicing Math skills at home is very important.
- Students need to know from memory the numbers and be able to respond to which one is missing, which one is bigger, which one is next.
- First Graders need to have basic math facts for addition memorized.



Homework Folder

- First Grade Homework folder is Blue.
- Kindergarten Homework folder is Red.
- Check your child's backpack daily for the folder. Take out notes and return homework the next day. Return library books daily to get more.



Volunteer Opportunities

- Center Hallway has some sign-up sheets for volunteering. The areas are: Music Centers, Clip box tops/ labels, Tutoring, Workroom Helpers, Computer Lab, Library, School Committees, Picture Days, and Lunchroom Volunteers.



Volunteer Opportunities

- Book Fair will be in November.
- Burcham Carnival will be April 8th.
- Burcham Super Kids Day is May 5th .
- Classroom Parties.
- Adopt-a-Teacher
- Class T-shirt Donations



School Community

- Our school is a community. Our classrooms are the families. All of us are a part of what make a school successful.
- Our community rules are:
 - Be Respectful
 - Be Responsible
 - Be Ready
- Always call if you have concerns. We want to correct problems as soon as possible.



Burcham Elementary Making Learning Fun!!

