



PAUL BANKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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New Student Information for the 2019-20 School Year:

- School Hours 7:50 am – 2:20 pm
 - Doors open at 7:30
 - First bell rings at 7:45 for students to walk down to class
 - Second bell rings and instruction starts at 7:50 – please allow for enough time for your child to get into their class and settled before instruction starts
 - Dismissal bell rings at 2:20 (instruction continues until this time)

- Busing is available to and from school
 - If interested, contact Apple Bus Company: 235-0124 for more information
 - After you set up busing with Apple, please let the school know so we can write a bus note.
 - Bus note information we need:
 - _What days your child will ride the bus home
 - What bus (number) they will ride
 - Where the bus stop is located
 - The name & contact number for the person meeting the bus **Kindergarten aged students must be met by an adult or a sibling in the 4th grade or higher*

- Drop off & Pick up **please be patient and mindful of others in the parking lot*
 - Drop off: doors open at 7:30. You can either park and walk your child in, or use the drop off lane to pull up and let them out. Please have your child ready before you pull up to let them out. Please wait in the front hall until the bell rings at 7:45 to go down to class.
 - Pick up: the dismissal bell rings at 2:20. Please wait in the front hall until the bell rings to avoid disrupting classroom instruction, then head to your child's classroom to pick them up and exit out the west end doors to the parking lot. If you need to pick your child up early, please call ahead (if possible) and check them out in the office.

- Attendance/Absences: Regular school attendance is crucial to your child's academic success. Please let the school know if your child will be absent. Please see the following for an explanation of attendance codes:
 - LATE (L): students arriving after 7:50 will be considered late (please stop by the office to check in)
 - Partially Excused (PE): for students arriving after 8:15am or students who get checked out early
 - Excused Absence (E): absence code used if the school is notified of a student's absence
 - Unexcused Absence (A): student is absent with no explanation
 - Pre-arranged Absence (P): more than 5 consecutive days, please fill out a "Pre-arrange absence form"

- Breakfast/Lunch:
 - Breakfast is \$2.00 (any student who qualifies for free or reduced lunch also qualifies for free breakfast)
 - Lunch options:
 - Hot Lunch (bought at school) is \$3.00 – unless your child qualifies for free or reduced (\$.40) lunch
 - You can find the school lunch menu for each month on the KPBSD website, the Paul Banks website, and it will be included with our monthly newsletter.
 - Cold Lunch (brought from home)
- School supply lists are available on the school website (see the link above)

** Free/Reduced Lunch applications will be sent home in your child's back-to-school folders*

*****More information can be found in our Paul Banks Handbook which is on our website and will go home in your child's Back To School Folder at the beginning of the year*****

Important Dates

- Class lists will be posted Friday, August 16th at 4:00 pm
- Meet Your Teacher is Monday, August 19th from 1:30pm – 2:30pm
 - If you have already purchased your school supplies, please bring them to Meet Your Teacher.
- First day of school is **Tuesday, August 20th**
- Open House is Thursday August 29th
 - 6:00- 2nd grade
 - 6:30- PreK, Kindergarten and 1st grade

Welcome to Paul Banks Elementary!!!