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# Bunche Bulletin

Tamara Johnson, Principal



## Important Update

In an effort to maximize instructional time and increase building and classroom cleanliness; we are piloting a **7:15 a.m.** breakfast start time for September.

Students will be allowed to retrieve and eat breakfast beginning at **7:15 a.m.** each day. Students will eat in the cafeteria and will be monitored by administration during this time. The pilot will become permanent if we are able to serve a great number of students at this time.

**Help us in welcoming our new staff members to the Bunche Prep community.**

Ms. T. Ward, Mrs. S. Crowther, Ms. K. Andrews, Mrs. M. Weaver, Ms. R. Karlstad, Ms. S. McCauley, Mrs. M. Bruzzano, Ms. D. Seikaly, Ms. D. Brown, Mr. Cary Ossiff, Mr. D. Robinson  
Mrs. K. Rance, Mrs. R. Yelder

## The Principal's Corner

It is with great pleasure that I

welcome you to the 2019-2020 school year! I hope you have had an enjoyable summer and that you're as excited as we are about getting back to the business of learning.

Being the new school leader here at Bunche, I am keenly aware of the need to build a strong community; both within the school and with families. Students thrive when there is a rigorous, joyous, and orderly school community. They tend to do better in school, stay in school longer and like school more when there is a feeling of belonging. Our goal is to create such a community at Bunche, using systems that allow teachers to teach and students to learn. We strive to be a place where there is alignment around all things we do within the school. We're working toward building a well-rounded school community that includes all stakeholders. We're hoping that many of the activities we've planned this year will allow that to happen.

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## OPEN HOUSE/BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Join us on Wednesday, September 18 at 4 pm for

### **Open House/Back to School Night!**

Come hear about our Title One programs, visit your child's classroom, get an in depth look at curriculum and learn some great tips on how to support your student's learning at home. This event will be full of fun and engaging information to help you push your child to the next level.

#### **Volunteer Applications**

Do you want to go on field trips or volunteer in your child's classroom? Make sure you get your volunteer app in. For regular clearance you need to print a copy of your state of Michigan iChat report (\$10 fee) and obtain a DHS clearance. For overnight trips you must have a background check (\$64 fee for fingerprints). Instructions are located on volunteer application. Applications are available in the front office and are also attached to this newsletter.

#### **Need to speak to your child's teacher?**

Your concerns are important to us, but last minute appointment requests or 'quick' conversations cannot always be accommodated. Please call/email your child's teacher to set up an appointment time to speak with them. When calling during the school day, you will be transferred directly to voicemail. This ensures that instructional time will not be interrupted and our scholars receive each and every minute of valuable instruction. Please allow for 24-48 hour response time from staff.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### Welcome Back Bunche Prep Community!!

This year, we're intently focusing on strengthening our school community this year. As a unified force our Bunche community shares the following attitudes, interests and goals:

1. We are all positively pushing our students toward greatness. Their futures are bright!
2. Each community member plays an integral role in the success of our students; this includes students, parents, teachers, support staff and administration. Their success rests on each of us doing our part.
3. We're building the foundation for every Bunche student to be college and career ready when they leave our school. In order for us to stay on track with the aforementioned, we want you to keep a couple of things in mind:

✓✓We need all of our students at school, on time & in uniform.

✓✓Make sure you make us aware of any special issues/problems your child may be facing that may affect his/her ability to thrive academically or socially. We want to be able to support our students in every way we can.

✓✓Lastly, we have some exciting things coming up this year we need you to be a part of - so stay p

### EARLY PICK-UP

We encourage you to allow your student to fully benefit from their educational experience by attending school the entire day. In the event your child has to leave school before the end of the school day, please take note of the following:

- Only persons listed on your child's emergency card, with valid state ID, should be sent to sign a child out of school.
- Parents must call or send a written note on the day of an early pick up indicating the reason & time of dismissal. This written explanation will also help us determine whether the early pick-up is excused or unexcused.
- In the case of an emergency, please call the front office as soon as you can to set up an early pick up.
- Tardiness and early pick-ups are considered a form of student absence, 1-3 hours in a given day will be recorded as a ½ day absence.

**OUR DOORS ARE PROMPTLY LOCKED EACH DAY AT 2:10 PM.  
EARLY PICK-UPS ARE NOT PERMISSIBLE AFTER THIS TIME.**