

BBES Blast
Brock Bridge Elementary School 2019



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Principal's Monthly Message

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that it is December already! We have many wonderful events coming up including our PTA Winter Craft Night on December 13th, Winter Concert on December 16th and Pajama Day / Winter Celebrations on December 20th. More information will be coming home regarding these events soon.

For student safety purposes, please be mindful of the procedures for arrival and dismissal. Prior to 9 am, students are not supervised outside of the building. Please adjust schedules accordingly so that all students are safe and out of inclement weather. Our doors open promptly at 9 am. Please review behavior and safety expectations with your child, including appropriate behaviors on the bus and at the bus stop.

Our office will be closed for winter break beginning at the close of business on Friday, December 20, 2019 and will reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2020.

Have a great rest of the year and we look forward to the upcoming New Year!

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FRONT OFFICE MESSAGE

Registering?

Registrations will be held Monday-Friday from 9:30 am-3:00 pm. Please make sure you have all your paperwork at the time of registration to include a transfer packet if applicable.

You can visit AACPS.org, type enrolling @ aacps in the search bar for a more detailed list of documents that are needed at the time of registration.

Moving???

Please provide the proper forms to the office when you have a change of address, as soon as possible, so we can update your child's file.



Please send a note!

Following an absence, send a signed excuse note with the student the day they return to school, which includes the student's full name, grade, dates of absence and reason for absence. Also, if your student missed 3 or more days of school due to being sick, it is required by the county that you send a doctor's note to the school.



If a note is not received, the absence will be considered unexcused/unlawful.

Had a missed call from school?

We always leave you a voice message! Thus, we kindly ask you to check it, so when you call back to the school, our front office can redirect your call to the proper person.

IMPORTANT DATES 



December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Unity Day wear Orange 2h early dismissal. Schools closed for pm PK	6	7
8	9 Picture Retake 	10	11	12	13 Interims go home. PTA Winter Craft Night 6:30-7:30pm	14
15	16 Winter Concert 6:30pm	17	18	19	20 Pajama Day and Holiday Celebration	21
22 Hanukkah begins 	23 All Schools and Central Offices closed	24	25  MERRY CHRISTMAS	26	27 Kwanzaa begins 	28
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Entrance and Dismissal

In a continuing effort to ensure the safety of our students at BBES, please take a moment to read the reminders below regarding entrance and dismissal:

- Please follow the directions of our school staff on duty during **entrance** and **dismissal** times who are working to ensure the safety of the students at these very busy times of the school day.
- Please do not leave your vehicle if you are in line to pick up or drop off your child(ren). Please park in a designated parking spot if you wish to leave your vehicle to escort your child(ren) to/from the school building, if you wish to assist them getting in/out of the car or if you wish to observe your child(ren) walking to the school door during morning entrance.
- At no time students should be dropped off at the parking lot designated to school staff members and handicap. Dropping off students in that area blocks the buses that need to get through to the bus line and drop off their students. Please be mindful.
- Students who are transported to school by car must be escorted to the Pre-Kindergarten/ECI school door by parent/guardian. Please park in a designated parking space. Please also avoid leaving your vehicle in the bus line even for a short period of time or parking along the curb near school door.



CHEESE!



Picture make-up/retake day

Monday, December 9th, 2019

If your child is new to the school or missed the original picture day, the photographer will be here on **December 9th**.

Lost and Found

Please come in and check in the cafeteria for any lost coats, jackets, hats, gloves, or lunch boxes. Check in the office for any glasses, earrings, necklaces, keys, hair bands, etc. Periodically we donate unclaimed items to charity



Regular school attendance is very important and a vital part of your child's academic success. Please make every effort to ensure that your child attends school every day and also arrives on time!

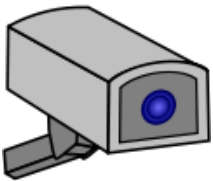
If there are any problems or concerns that we should be aware of, please contact the school. We want to work with you to resolve any issues so that the attendance can improve and the need of referrals to a Pupil Personnel Worker can be avoided.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

School Camera System



Brock Bridge Elementary School is equipped with a video camera system. It covers selected interior and exterior public portions of the building and grounds. It is NOT monitored constantly, but it is monitored during emergency situations.

During certain events, when the safety or security of students may be in questions, authorized personnel from local, state, or federal police or fire emergency units may be given access to view images projected on the camera system. If you have any questions about the system, you should call the Supervisor of School Security at 410-222-5083.



No Parking at Fire Lanes and Bus Loops

Parking in designated **fire lanes** and/or **bus loops** is prohibited. This prohibition extends to staff, students, visitors, spectators at athletic events, day care vans, and after school activity vans such as karate centers, clubs, etc. Any vehicle parked in a fire lane or obstructing a fire hydrant must be moved to an authorized parking space.



Maryland Motor Vehicle Law §21-101.1(b)2,3 states:

A person may not drive a motor vehicle in violation of any provision of this title on any property that is owned by or under the control of this State or any of its political subdivisions, county boards of education, or community colleges and that is open to vehicular traffic and used by the public in general. Any person who violates any provision of this subsection is in violation of the law to the same extent and is subject to the same penalty as if the motor vehicle were driven on a highway.

Healthy Habits = Healthy Children



Healthy Habits Decrease the Spread of Germs & Help Keep Children and Families Well

1. **Handwashing** is one of the best ways to keep from getting sick. If soap & water aren't available, use an alcohol based hand sanitizer.
2. **Cover that sneeze and cough**—Coughing and sneezing spread germs. Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue or the inside of your elbow to prevent spreading germs to your hands.
3. **Get Moving**—Exercise helps the body fight off simple illness. Include active play in your child's schedule.
4. **Sleep**—Getting the right amount of sleep will help fight off colds and infections.
5. **Healthy Eating**—Good nutrition is Vital for good health. Provide a variety of foods, including plenty of vegetables, fruits and whole grains at meal and snack times.



6. **Keep Your Child Home When Sick**—Children should stay home until they feel better!

When Do I Keep My Child Home From School?

(Although no comprehensive list is possible, the following conditions may be appropriate reasons to keep a student home or seek medical advice)

Temperature 100 degree or greater

Vomiting, Diarrhea

Shortness of breath, Wheezing

Abdominal Pain

Suspected Fracture

Severe pain

Undiagnosed rash

Productive Cough/Fever