

Dear Buckhorn Elementary Community,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! Our team has been working hard preparing for your child's return on **Monday, August 12th**! As we prepare for a new year, we are reminded of our shared commitment to nurturing young minds and fostering an environment of growth. With this in mind, we are thrilled to announce our theme for this year: "Team Buckhorn."

We want to express our deepest gratitude for your unwavering dedication and commitment to our students and school. We are honored and blessed to work alongside such a dedicated community! Together we will create an environment where learning thrives, and every student can reach their full potential!

Below you will find important information about keeping Buckhorn Safe:

Campus Access

- **Visitors to campus will need to be signed in through the front office and volunteers must be approved through the district.**
- **Parents/guardians may pick up an ill student or receive information needed from the office.**
- **On 8/12, 8/13 and 8/14 Caregivers may walk their students to their classroom and drop them off at the doorway. To maintain a safe and academically focused environment, starting Wednesday, August 14th students will walk to class with the assistance of staff members. Caregivers will not be permitted on campus to walk students to class.**
- **Be sure to check the Buckhorn calendar at our website for further opportunities to be involved in our many campus events. [Buckhorn Elementary / Homepage \(hillsboroughschools.org\)](https://www.hillsboroughschools.org)**

Arrival

- **Car rider Student drop-off begins at 7:10 and is located at the cafeteria until 7:35am. Gates will close at 7:35. Teacher instruction begins promptly at 7:40 a.m.**
- **Students walking to campus, may enter through the main office front gate.**
- **ONLY Busses are allowed on the bus ramp from 7:10-7:40 in the front of the school. If your child rides a bus, please be at the bus stop early for pick-up in the morning.**

Dismissal

- **All students dismiss at 1:55, Tuesday-Friday (12:55 on early release Mondays) and may be signed-out early until 1:30 (or 12:30 on Mondays).**
- **Students will only be released to those listed on the emergency card. This is for your student's safety.**
- **Car riders will receive a car tag that must be displayed in the front windshield of your vehicle.**
- **For the safety of all children, a child's mode of transportation will be one way and may not be over the phone. We must have a written note.**

We are looking forward to seeing you at our **Open House/Meet the Teacher on August 7th from 2:00-4:00!** This event is a perfect time to visit our campus, meet your child's teacher and other staff members, drop off school materials in the classroom, purchase your school spirit shirts, join the PTA, declare and practice arrival/dismissal plans, verify and sign emergency card information, share any important information with our nurse, see our nutritional manager to document any food allergies and so much more!

Once again, welcome back! We are looking forward to an incredible year of growth and success!

Better together,

Corrie Heidt
Principal