Bridlemile Friday Flyer



9/17/2021

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 20th	Charleston Wrap Fundraiser Begins!
Sept 23rd	Back to School Night, 6:00pm, Virtual
Sept 30th	School Picture Day
Oct 6th	Walk & Roll to School Day
Oct 7th	Bridlemile Harvest Party, 5-7pm, Parking Lot
Oct 8th	In Service Day- NO SCHOOL
Oct 12th	General Public PTA Meeting- all are welcome, 6:30pm

WHAT'S NEW INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- From the District-New Covid Dashboard; Nutrition Services-Changes to Menu; EBT Info for Families; Celebrating Latin Heritage Month
- From the Office-School Bus MyStop Tracking App! Back to School Night; Picture Day Info; Update to Lost & Found Info
- PTA News-PTA and Foundation Newsletter; Charleston Fundraiser Begins!! Harvest Party Info

FROM THE DISTRICT

Dear PPS Students, Families and Staff,

With our ongoing commitment to keeping you informed, we have built an improved and more informative COVID-19 Monitoring Dashboard: <u>PPS COVID-19 Monitoring Dashboard</u>

Our COVID-19 dashboard provides our community with the number of reports of students or staff who have been asked to isolate or quarantine for the last seven days. Please note that other agencies like the Oregon Health Authority are also keeping count and presenting information about COVID-19 cases in our community; each dashboard is updated on a different timeline and therefore discrepancies may appear between dashboards. Click here to read more: English | Español | Tiếng Việt | 中文 | Somali | Русский

Celebrating Latino Heritage Month

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NUTRITION SERVICES

CHANGES TO MENUS - SUPPLY CHAIN IMPACTS TO NUTRITION SERVICES

Due to national supply chain issues, students and families may experience changes to our menus. Food growers, makers and distributors are all facing difficulties with producing enough food to fulfill orders, making and packing the food, as well as getting the food to where it needs to be. We appreciate your patience as some modifications may occur without notification. If you have any questions, please contact our department - <u>nutritionservices@pps.net</u> or 503-916-3399

NUTRITION SERVICES FAQ

Here are <u>answers to questions</u> that we are hearing from our community.

PANDEMIC EBT INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) benefits are additional funds that can be used to support family food purchases. P-EBT benefits were approved for Oregon in May for the 2020-21 school year. P-EBT benefits issuance began at the end of July and will continue to be distributed into August and September for all families enrolled in a Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) school or with individual family eligibility for free or reduced price meals in the 2020-21 school year. Families inquiring about student eligibility, or have other P-EBT questions, can use the following Oregon 211 Info services:

- Phone: Dial 211 from anywhere in Oregon
- Text: Text your zip code to 898211 (TXT211)
- Web: www.211info.org or the pebt.oregon.gov webpage for current P-EBT information
- Email: EBT.schoolmeals@dhsoha.state.or.us

STUDENT HEALTH CENTER COVID WEEKLY VACCINE CLINICS FLIER

Please click this <u>flier</u> for locations for weekly vaccine clinics at the Multnomah County Student Health Centers. Click here for the <u>Spanish version of the flier</u>.

FROM THE OFFICE

<u>REMINDER</u>: Please be sure you are using the Bridlemile Office email <u>bridlemile-office@pps.net</u> when sending an absence or dismissal notification in addition to notifying your student's teacher. Thanks!

School Bus MyStop App!!

MyStop is an app you can use on your smartphone (Apple or Android), iPad or Tablet, or your laptop or desktop computer.

What does MyStop do?

With My Stop, parents, guardians and students know approximately what time their school bus will arrive at their home stop — all from a smart phone, mobile device or computer. The school bus location updates automatically and the ETA recalculates to accommodate any delays due to traffic while in route. <u>Note</u>** there may be times when the app has not updated due to a change in bus number (i.e. a bus is swapped out say for a mechanical issue-and the new bus number is not uploaded; if you were tracking your bus, it would show the location at the dispatch center, and not the new bus that was en route to you).

It can be used by both the parent/guardian and the student. You will only be able to see your student's bus info but not other students.

To learn how to download the app and login, please visit<u>https://www.pps.net/MyStop</u> This web page also contains frequently asked questions (FAQ's).

For questions or comments, please contact the PPS Transportation Services department directly by emailing <u>Transportation@pps.net</u> (please indicate "My Stop" in the subject line). Alternatively, you can call Transportation Services at 503-916-6901.

Back to school Night, September 23rd at 6 PM

We hope to see you all at this year's Back to school night event! Back to School Night provides an opportunity for families to hear from the school leadership and staff regarding what the year will look like academically, programs, as well as answer any questions families may have. We'll also hear from our Bridlemile PTA and Bridlemile Foundation.

We will meet virtually via Zoom on Thursday, September 23rd beginning at 6 PM.

The evening will run as follows:

6:00-6:30pm: Teachers and parents will meet as a whole group via Zoom, links provided next week

- Principal Townsend, welcome message
- Staff introductions
- Patrick Stenger, TAG
- Kendra Joyce, Bridlemile PTA
- Nick Fischer, Bridlemile Foundation

6:30-7:00pm: K-1 virtual meetings, Teachers will create their own meeting links and share them with families directly

7:00-7:30pm - 2-3 virtual meetings, Teachers will create their own meeting links and share them with families directly

7:30-8:00pm - 4-5 virtual meetings, Teachers will create their own meeting links and share them with families directly

6:30-7:30pm- Our Specials and Support Staff will make time available to meet with families, links provided next week

Hope to see you there!



Picture Day September 30th my.lifetouch.com

School Name: Bridlemile Elementary School Picture Day Date: Thursday, September 30 Picture Day ID: EVT9BFDZ7

Picture Day School Process:

- Pictures will be held in the Cafeteria
- Each Classroom will sign up for a dedicated/individual timeslot
- Only one class in the cafeteria at a time
- Only 2 students at a time getting their picture taken
- The 2 cameras will be set up and spaced more than 6 ft apart
- Students can either:
 - Lower their mask and have their picture taken (this should ideally take 10 seconds and no more than 30 seconds)
 - Have their picture taken with their mask on
 - Opt out of picture day (if you choose to opt out, please let your teacher know)
- Students in queue will wait in line spaced at minimum 3 ft apart in the cafeteria



Student Profile Verification

IMPORTANT! Please verify your student's profile online!

To be sure we have the most current information on file for your student(s) we ask that all Parents/Guardians log on to your ParentVue account <u>ParentVue.pps.net</u> and verify your student(s) profile. This information should be reviewed and updated as needed. Be sure you select the <u>YEARLY VERIFICATION</u> tab from the menu.

30% of our families have completed their verifications so far, thank you!! We want to get to 100%!!

See this linked flyer for details.

Dismissal Changes

IMPORTANT Please email your <u>child's teacher</u> directly **and** (if enrolled in aftercare)-<u>Champions</u> <u>at least a day in advance</u>. Please also copy the office <u>Bridlemile-office@pps.net</u>. If you must make a same day change, please email or call before 11am. Of course there will be emergencies, but early communication is key. Late day/last minute changes are disruptive, take away from classroom instruction time and affect the safety of our students.

Early Pick up

If you need to pick up your student during the school day (appointments, etc), please email your child's teacher in advance and copy the office to let us know what day and time. When you arrive, come to the front entrance and ring the bell. We will call down for your student and will come out to you to have you sign out your student. If your student will be returning, please walk them up to the front entrance and we will have you sign your student back in.

School Calendar Sync

We are moving away from a school paper calendar and will instead use the electronic calendar on our website for all school events/activities. You can sync the calendar with your mobile device. Follow these instructions:

Go to our website Bridlemile Elementary

Go to the Calendar on the right side and click "View Full Calendar"

in the upper right hand corner are icons, click on the paperclip looking icon - (iCal Feed Instructions)

This will take you to an iCal Feed Instruction page

Follow the steps to sync the calendar with your mobile device

Bridlemile School Directory

The school directory is a great way to build our community and stay connected with your fellow Bridlemile students and families. PTA will be managing the directory via <u>Membership Toolkit</u>.

In Parent Vue, you were notified that your information will be included in the directory. If you prefer to opt-out, please <u>download this form</u> and submit to the office and you will<u>not</u> be included in the directory.

PHOTO OPT-OUT

Student photographs are commonly used in yearbooks (Although Bridlemile only offers a 5th grade yearbook), but are also sometimes included in school newsletters, school websites and other school related publications. If a picture is used, we do not use student names. If you do NOT want your student's photograph used or released for these purposes or for news media, please <u>download this form</u> and submit it to the office.

Lost & Found

Please LABEL LABEL LABEL LABEL your child's belongings! We cannot emphasize this enough!!! In addition to labeling coats, jackets and other outerwear (anything that can be shed during recess for example) please also label water bottles, hats, gloves, and lunch boxes. Over the course of a day, you would be amazed at how much stuff gets left behind! We have a Lost & Found rack in the building and it can get pretty unruly. We will make every attempt to get items back to their owners (a name on the item makes it easy peasy) but please encourage your child to be responsible for their belongings. Quarterly, we donate away any unclaimed and unlabeled items to the PPS Clothes Closet at Marshall H.S. <u>UPDATE!</u> You can buy waterproof, durable labels and permanent stamps from <u>Mabel's Labels</u>, which supports PTA! (open link and search Bridlemile to support!)

PPS Text Alerts

Be the first to know! Get text alerts about school closures, delays, emergencies and school events by texting YES to 68453 and stay connected to your school. See the <u>PPS Text Alert Flyer</u> for more information.

PTA/FOUNDATION NEWS

Happy Friday from PTA and Foundation!

Please see this week's Newsletter. Updates this week include:

- Charleston Wrap Kickoff!
- Welcome Room Parents!

Thanks for reading!

CHARLESTON FUNDRAISER BEGINS!

Bridlemile Families,

Our most important fundraising campaign of the year starts today, and your help is essential! With the funds from this campaign we raise this year, we can look forward to:

- Recess supplies and Playground maintenance
- Special Programs and Events
- Improved Learning Technology

But only if we can count on your participation!

Simply put, we're asking you to reach out to your friends and family and encourage them to shop for products in our fundraising catalog or online. The proceeds of every purchase will make a BIG difference in our fundraising efforts this year. There's a lot of great stuff in this year's catalog; with over 2,500 great products you can be confident that everyone you know will find something they like.

Our fundraising sales only last a few short weeks! So do these quick, easy things today and let's get our momentum going!

- 1. Register your participant online by clicking here and enter our Organization ID 11094
- 2. Invite friends and family to shop and support! Send emails, share on social media, and text the fundraising link to your friends & family to quickly spread the word!

3. Look out for the Charleston Wrap fundraising information coming home today

Thank you for your support !!!



🖮 HARVEST FESTIVAL - Thursday, October 7th 🕯

The Back To School Harvest Festival is quickly approaching. This is an outdoor event, held in the school parking lot. Planning is underway and we are excited to welcome everyone back! Details will be shared over the next couple weeks and we will need many volunteers for this event. Be on the lookout for a link to sign up to volunteer. Please reach out to Robin Watt (robin.sessums@gmail.com) if you'd like to participate in planning and assisting with volunteers.

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<u>School Website</u> 503-916-6292 Office <u>bridlemile-office@pps.net</u> Friday Flyer Archives: <u>School Website</u> PTA/Foundation:<u>Parent Resources / Bridlemile</u> PTA Website: <u>https://bridlemileschool.org/</u>