



# BLANDFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Blandford Parents,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! Our school staff is looking forward to a fantastic year ahead. If you have any questions about Blandford School, don't hesitate to call or visit the school office, open from 7:30am - 4:00pm.

The first day of school will be **Monday, August 12th**. Please see schedule below. All Mondays will be Early Release days for Grades 1-6.

<b>Blandford School Bell Schedule 2019-2020</b>		
<b>Grades TK-K</b>	Monday-Friday	8:00 AM – 1:22 PM
<b>Grades 1-3</b>	Monday	8:00 AM – 1:02 PM
	Tuesday-Friday	8:00 AM – 2:25 PM
<b>Grades 4-6</b>	Monday	8:00 AM – 1:11 PM
	Tuesday-Friday	8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Please make arrangements to drop off and pick up your child promptly.

### Classroom Assignments

Classroom assignments will be posted on the office windows at 4:00pm on Friday, August 9th.

### Kindergarten School Readiness Observation Day (New Kinder Students ONLY)

When: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 in the Cafeteria

Below are the time slots according to your child's last name

8:30 – 9:00	9:15 – 9:45	9:45 – 10:15	10:15 – 10:45
A – E	F – L	M – R	S – Z

### The First Day of School

On the first day of school, we welcome all parents to accompany your child to his/her classroom. You will be able to meet the teacher and help your child transition to his/her new class. Beginning the second day of school (August 13<sup>th</sup>), only TK/Kindergarten parents will be allowed to escort their child to their classroom. Starting Tuesday, August 13, all parents and visitors will need to check in at the front office before entering campus. All visitors will need to provide a valid picture ID for their first school visit.

### First Day Packet Forms

A packet of required documents will be sent home on the first day of school. Please be sure to carefully review all information with your child. Turn in ALL First Day Packet Forms, to your child's teacher, before **Friday, August 16th**.

### Supply Lists

A recommended list of supplies for each grade level is posted on our school website.

## **RUSD HOMELINK PARENT PORTAL**

Please update your contact information on your *Homelink* account. A letter from the district was sent home recently with information about your account and how to log-in. **Please follow directions in the letter to update your account no later than Friday, August 16.** A *Homelink* account is required for all students in Rowland USD. If you did not receive the letter or need support in verifying information, please join us in the school computer lab on Tuesday, July 30 from 9-11am for a support session or contact the school office.

## **Student Drop Off/Pick Up**

School gates open at **7:50am** for all students. Students in Gr. 1-6 enter through the front main gate. Gr. TK/Kinder students enter through the side gate near K2. Please do not drop off students before 7:30am as there is no supervision available. To ensure the safety of children and adults, it is imperative that the following procedures be observed:

- Drop-off/pick-up lane (white zone): There is no parking in this lane, please keep moving forward.
- Continue to pull forward as space becomes available.
- If your child has not come out after 5 minutes for pick up, please drive around the block. We need this lane to keep moving.
- Students may load and unload only from the drop off/pick up lane. No loading in the middle of the street or parking lot.
- For safety purposes, students may only enter and exit the vehicle from the passenger side.

## **Visitor Parking**

Parking is available on the street. The parking lot is reserved for staff only between 7:00am - 3:00pm. **There is no drop off/pick up in the parking lot.** It is suggested to arrive early as traffic is congested during arrival/dismissal times. Please plan accordingly.

## **School Meal Program**

The Titan Family Portal is a secure, online system that allows parents to make online payments and remotely monitor your child's cafeteria meal account. You can also submit an online application for Free/Reduced meals. Register at [family.titank12.com](http://family.titank12.com) by clicking on **Sign up today!** You can also make payments by writing checks payable to **RUSD Food Services** and turn into the front office. Please be sure to send a lunch or money with your child until meal applications are approved.

Meal Prices: Breakfast \$1.15 and Lunch \$2.00.

## **Blandford PTA**

The Blandford PTA is a big part of what makes Blandford such a great school. Your membership assists the school in providing additional activities, special events, and resources to the students. Your participation is always appreciated.

## **Save the Date**

Back to School Night is on Tuesday, August 27, 2019. Details to follow.

Stay connected with Blandford Elementary School on *Twitter* @*Blandford\_Bears* or visit our website for helpful information. Don't forget to download the Rowland USD App and sign up for PeachJar for all school letters and flyers. The staff and I are looking forward to a wonderful year. Go Bears!

Sincerely,  
June Sakaue, Principal