



Bison Update

August 7, 2018

Summit Academy Bluffdale

Principal's Message

Summer always moves faster than we think, and it is time to get ready for school once again. I am so excited to start this school year with you. I am honored to be your principal. I have enjoyed getting to know our fabulous staff over the summer and have had the opportunity to meet many of our dedicated parents. I look forward meeting with all of our amazing families.

I would personally like to encourage parents to volunteer at Summit Academy. Parents enrich the school experience and research shows that parental involvement has a high correlation with student success. There are several ways to volunteer; in the classroom, on a school-wide committee, or as a tutor for individual children. Please contact Chelsea Welch, our SPO President, at BluffdaleSPO@2summit.org, or talk to your child's teacher if you are interested in volunteering in any way.

Please take a look at the Bluffdale Calendar section below. We will be having a "New to Summit Academy" Parent Night on Thursday, August 16th where we will address items that are unique to the Summit experience. All students are welcome to drop off their school supplies on Friday, August 17th. Teachers may be available at this time to say a quick hello. We will have Back to School night on August 30th, at which time parents will get detailed information from teachers.

Thank you,

Mrs. Brantley

Bluffdale Calendar

August 10	SIS Aspire username and password mailed out
August 15	Homeroom Teacher available to view in SIS
August 16	New Parent Night 6:00-7:00p.m. Support Services Meet and Greet 10:30-11:15 a.m.
August 17	Supply Drop 3:30-4:30p.m.
August 30	Back to School Night 6:30-7:30p.m.
August 20	First Day of School 1 st -6 th Grades
August 27	First Day of Kindergarten
September 14	Fall Fest Fundraiser

Loading Procedures

Safety is our top priority during loading and unloading times and we appreciate how cautious our parents are during this time. We have been working with Bluffdale City to maintain both a safe and expeditious procedure while 144th South is still under construction.

Morning drop off will continue to utilize the loading lanes only.

There will be 2 options for picking up your students in the afternoon:

1. Loading lanes are available as usual. They will be supervised during loading. This is the safest option for students arriving and departing from campus.
2. The LDS church parking lot. Church officials have graciously agreed to continue allowing us to use their parking lot for afternoon loading while 1 44th South is under construction. This area will be monitored during afternoon pick-up until 3:25 p.m. after which time the remaining students will return to campus to await their carpools. Students who walk home along Redwood Road can gain access to the sidewalk from the church parking lot.

We ask that parents not park their cars in the school parking lot during loading and walk up to the building to pick up their children as this added maneuvering in the parking lot significantly slows the flow of traffic. We will add the front door walking option again once construction is complete and the sidewalks are restored.

We appreciate everyone working together to make loading safe and efficient

NEW VISOR CARDS

In an effort to insure the safety of all students, we have changed the color of our visor cards for the 2018-2019 school year. Please pick up your student's new visor card at our [New Parent](#)

Night on August 16th from 6:00-7:00p.m., or during the Supply Drop on August 17th from 3:30-4:30p.m. You can also pick them up during regular office hours before loading begins on the first day of school. Having your new visor tag will help ensure that the loading process runs smoothly.

K-6 Class Rosters - How do I find out which class my child is in?

This year we will mail home each student's SIS Aspire username and password to access the student gradebook online. For security reasons, passwords are changed yearly. You will be able to view your assigned teacher in SIS Aspire on August 15th. Letters will be mailed August 10th.

Supply Drop

On Friday, August 17th classrooms will be open from 3:30-4:30p.m. to drop off school supplies. Teachers may be available at this time to say a quick hello. We will still have Back to School night the following week, at which time parents will get detailed information from teachers. For your child's school supply list [Click Here](#).

New Parent Night

We will be holding a New Parent Orientation Night for families new to Summit Academy on August 16th from 6:00-7:00p.m. We will be reviewing academic leveling, positive behavioral supports, loading/unloading procedures, and options for communicating with the school. This is also a great time to pick up your new visor cards for loading.

Summit Parent Organization

We are looking for volunteers to join the SPO and help make this another wonderful school year. The SPO plans many of the activities and fundraisers for our school including: Fall Fest, Book Fairs, STEM and Literacy Nights. All are welcome! SPO Meeting dates and times to be announced soon. Please contact Chelsea Welch at BluffdaleSPO@summitacademyschools.org. See attached flyer for details.

Support Services Meet and Greet

Students with Special Education services or 504's and their parents are invited to a Support Services Meet and Greet on Thursday, August 16th from 10:30-11:15 am. There will be a brief joint meeting and introductions. Students will then divide up by grade and go to meet their homeroom teachers and go for a brief tour of the school. If you have a new student at Summit Academy and you have not provided us with a copy of your child's most recent IEP or have questions, please contact Gayle Petersen at gayle.petersen@summitacademyschools.org.

SIS Passwords and Create a Parent Account

All SIS passwords have been changed for student accounts. (Parent Account passwords have *not* changed) Your student will get their new password on the first day of school. Your student's ID number (which is also their lunch number) will remain the same. If you have not yet created a Parent Account, see the attached document for directions.

Bell Schedule

Monday-Thursday

7:50-8:20 Arrival Time:

8:25 Instruction Begins.

3:10 Instruction Ends

3:15 Loading Begins

Friday

7:50-8:20 Arrival Time:

8:25 Instruction Begins.

1:10 Instruction Ends

1:15 Loading Begins

Uniform Information

Tops: Collared Shirt— Maroon/Burgundy or White
(shirts do NOT have to have the logo)

Bottoms: Slacks, Shorts, or Skirt—Navy Blue (no cargo or jeans)

For a more detailed description of the dress code, you can click on the following link.

http://bluffdale.summitacademyschools.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=440777&type=d&pREC_ID=952158

For a color guide *or* to purchase shirts with the Bison logo click on this link:

<https://legendsportsclothing.com/shop/school/summit-academy-bluffdale>

Testing for New Students

New student placement testing for Language Arts and Math classes will take place during the first week of school.

Job Openings

The Bluffdale Campus is currently looking for Teaching Assistants. Please call the office to schedule an interview. (801) 254-9488.

Summit Academy currently has the following openings for Kitchen Staff:

Bluffdale: Server

Independence: Cashier

High School: Cashier

High School: Server

Draper: Server

Please contact Sharleen Breese for more details.

Sharleen.breese@summitacademyschools.org or by phone 801-572-9007

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For additional information, please visit our school website:

<http://www.summitacademyschools.org>

Click on the Bison at the bottom of the page or click on Bluffdale under the campus tab.

Please like us at Summit Academy K-6 Bluffdale Facebook page, thank you.