

BMS
Go Black Knights!

Start of School 2019-2020

Welcome Back!!



6th Grade Orientation

Sixth Grade Orientation will be on Thursday, August 29, 2019 from 8:30 am to 10:00 am. A special day has been planned to meet with teachers, review the schedule, learn where the classrooms are located and spend time together as students of Brooklawn Middle School.

Bus students are asked to report to their assigned bus stop no later than **7:50 am for this one day only**. Students being dropped off by family may enter through the front doors no earlier than 8:15 am. Students will be escorted to the cafeterium. The program will begin with an overview followed by a shortened version of the student's regular schedule. Please be certain your child comes to school with a printed schedule from the Parent Portal. Please have your child bring their lock with them.

First Day of School

All students must report to school by 7:55 am on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 for a full day of learning. Students can enter BMS at 7:55 am and go directly to their homeroom. Locker assignments are printed on the student's schedule. Homeroom teachers will allow students time to put their locks on their lockers. (Regular school hours will be in effect with dismissal at 2:46 pm.) The lunch program will begin the first day of school. **Please note that students are not to be dropped off prior to 7:40 am.** Please print out a student schedule on August 30th that will reflect updates. Students should be at their bus stops at least 10 minutes prior to what is stated on their student bus passes.

Back to School Night

Back to School Night is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2019 beginning promptly at 7:00 pm in the cafeterium.

A School Messenger will be sent with the time schedule for that evening.

Due to limited space, additional parking will be available at Saint Christopher's Church. Shuttle buses will be running starting at 6:30 pm until 10:00 pm to return you to your cars. (We apologize for any inconvenience.)

If you need assistance or special arrangements, please contact our main office at 973-428-7511 ext. 9 + 2101 by Friday, September 6th.

Parent/Student Handbook

The **Parent/Student Handbook** will be on the Brooklawn Middle School website.

The **Parent/Student Handbook** contains procedural information, building calendars and other very important information. The handbook must be read and reviewed with your child. Your electronic signature will be required. If you do not have access to a computer and need a hard copy sent home, please contact the school.

Website

Please remember to access the following websites for important Brooklawn information and events:

Brooklawn Middle School website: Go to www.pthsd.net and click on "Our Schools" then Brooklawn Middle School

Brooklawn Twitter feed: Follow us at @BrooklawnMS

Brooklawn S.A. Twitter feed: Follow us @Brooklawn_SA on Twitter, be sure to use the underscore ("_") between "Brooklawn" and "SA" when following this feed for updates, announcements, and other Information about Student Activities at Brooklawn.

Morning Drop Off Important Notes:

- All student drop off is up the long driveway on the left side of the school.
- Students will be dropped off at the top of the hill in the "Student drop off area".
- Parents will then follow the circle around and exit back down the same path and exit by making a right onto Beachwood Road.

- Only staff, visitors, and people utilizing handicapped accommodations may use the front lot.
- Staff members will be in the parking lots to assist with drop off and pick up procedures
- *If you plan on picking up your child during the school day, photo ID is required.*
- If you are dropping your child off after homeroom 8:08 am, you are required to walk in and sign them in.

Afternoon Pick Up Important Notes:

- All student pick up is up the long driveway on the left side of the school.
- Students will be picked up starting at the top of the hill. If you get to the front of the line and your child has not exited the building yet, make a left and form a line around the circle.
- Once you have picked up your child, exit back down the same path and make a right onto Beachwood Road.
- No student pick up should occur in the front lot.

Students Riding the Bus

- Bus passes should be printed off Genesis. If your child is a bus student, please print their bus pass for them.
- Students should arrive at the bus stop each morning at least 10 minutes prior to the designated time on the bus pass. **Students may only ride their assigned bus (No exceptions).**
- In the afternoon, school buses will line up in arrival order in front of the school.
- Students have until 2:55 pm to board the buses. At that time all buses will depart the parking lot.

Walkers

No walkers should ever enter or exit through the gate in the back of the building.

Bicycles/Skateboards

Students are permitted to ride bicycles to school; however, the school is not responsible for damage to or theft of these bicycles. They must be kept in the bike rack which is unsupervised. Bicycles should be locked to the rack to prevent theft. **The school is not responsible for lost or stolen bicycles.** Bicycle riders should ride with traffic, keeping to the right at all times. **Bicycles must be walked on the immediate school grounds.** Skateboards/roller blades are not permitted in the school or on school property at any time.

School Messenger

The **Notification System** helps provide timely communication to parents and staff members on matters such as district emergencies and general interest activities. In order to enhance our ability to accurately deliver that information, please create your own contact preference profile using School Messenger's **Contact Manager** website.

The **Contact Manager** feature allows you to control the ways in which you prefer to be contacted. It also works like a mailbox, giving you a place to review messages you may have missed. Go to our website and click on the link to sign up or update your information!

PARENTS: When entering ID numbers, do not add child's name, ONLY the ID number.

Student Mailings

You are able to access your child's grades on the Genesis parent portal. Please call the school if you have any questions.

Locks for Hallway and P.E. Lockers

All students are required to have a lock for their hallway and P.E. locker. If they do not, they can be purchased for the following prices...

- Hallway Lock \$6 (New)
- Hallway Lock \$4 (Used)
- P.E. Lock \$7 (New)
- P.E. Lock \$5 (Used)

P.E. Shorts

All 6th and 7th grade students are required to have shorts as apart of their P.E. uniform. If they do not, they can be purchased on the first day of school for \$9.

8th grade will not be required to purchase shorts for P.E. for the 2019-2020 school year.

String Backpacks

BMS students may only use a string backpack during the school day during passing times.