



NEWSMAKERS

The Character word for September is "RESPONSIBILITY"

SEPTEMBER 2024

Upcoming Events

Labor Day
NO SCHOOL
Mon., Sept. 2

HS SBDM Council Mtg.
Tues., Sept. 10

FRYSC Advisory Council Meeting
Thurs., Sept. 26

Elementary Principal Advisory Council Meeting
Thurs., Sept. 26

Board of Education Meeting
Mon., Sept. 30



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It's a Great Day to be a Panther!



We are pleased to announce that the Dawson Springs School District is partnered with **ParentSquare**. Parent Square is a communication and organization tool designed to keep families informed and involved in their children's learning and school activities. You can receive messages from the school and your child's teacher through email, text, and app notifications. We encourage parents to access their accounts so they can download the mobile app and update their preferences on when and how they are notified.

Please contact your student's school if email or cell phone number updates are necessary. ParentSquare can only recognize you as a parent/guardian if your school has the same email and text cell phone information for you in the system.

See pgs. 8 & 9 for a "Getting Started" guide.

FREE Hearing Wellness Screenings

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Bollinger Specialty Group offers all DS students **Voluntary Student Accident Insurance** at a minimal cost to parents. Additional info is included on pg. 10.



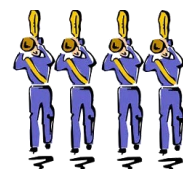
Find **school updates and current information** on the district Facebook page, the district web page at www.dawsonsprings.kyschools.us or with Superintendent Whalen's "X" account **@DSSuptWhalen**.



Track your child's grades and attendance through the **Infinite Campus** website or mobile app. Create your account at the IC Login on the DSISD website or contact your school office. For more info on the IC website or app, see page 7.



Students interested in participating on the Middle or High School Academic Teams, please see Coach Tamara Rice. Openings are available for quick recall, FPS, & individual testing.



The annual **Marching Band Town Show** will be held at 5:00pm on Friday, Sept. 13, in the Band (rear) parking lot. The band's first competition is the following evening at 5:30pm in Russellville. Good Luck, Panther Band!

The **DS PTO Fun Night** is scheduled for 6:00pm on Friday, Sept. 6, at Riverside Park. Bring your own chair and watch the Senior Class Grand Entrance plus some fun competition between our classes. Concessions will be available.



REMINDER!!

All Middle School & High School students participating in Fall or Winter Sports MUST have a current KHSAA physical on file.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Sept 1	2 LABOR DAY No School	3 Girls' Golf @ Pennyrile	4 	5 MS Softball @ Trigg Co. MS Baseball @ Christian Co.	6 6:00 PTO Fun Night	7 Cross Country @ Calloway Co./ Hopkins Central MS Baseball @ Marshall Co.
8 Grandparents Day	9 	10 3:15 HS SBDM Council Meeting Boys' Golf @ Madi- sonville CC MS Softball @ Cald- well Co. MS Baseball @ Union Co.	11	12 MS Softball @ South Hopkins MS Baseball @ Lyon Co.	13 MS Baseball @ home 5:00 Marching Band Town Show	14 Cross Country @ Muhlenberg Co.
15	16 Girls' Golf @ Madi- sonville CC	17	18	19 MS Softball @ Lyon Co. MS Baseball @ home	20 	21 Cross Country @ St. Mary Invitational MS Baseball @ home
22 First Day of Autumn 	23 Girls' Golf @ Madi- sonville CC	24 MS Baseball @ home	25	26 12:00 FRYSC Advi- sory Council Meeting 3:30 Elem. SBDM Council Meeting	27	28 Cross Country @ Marshall Co.
29	30 6:00 Board of Educa- tion Meeting	Oct 1	2 	3	4	5 HS Cross Country @ Davies Co. 4:30-8:00 DS Fall Fest @ Riverside Park

Breakfast

Everyday : Assortment of Cereal
Assortment of PopTarts
Tater Tots, Fruit, Juice & Milk



Monday

K-5 : Sausage Biscuit or
Mini Pancakes

K - 5 : Breakfast Pizza or
Cinnamon Roll

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

K - 5 : Egg & Cheese Biscuit
or Mini Donuts

K - 5 : Chicken Biscuit or Banana,
Blueberry or Lemon Bread

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

K - 5 : Sausage Pancake on a
Stick or Sausage, Egg &
Cheese Tornado



Middle School
& High School

Breakfast

Offered Everyday



Sandwiches

Chicken Biscuit,
Sausage Egg & Cheese Biscuit or
SEC Tornado

Cinn Toast Crunch, Cinn Chex,
Cocoa Puffs, Lucky Charms,
Honey Cheerios & Trix

Cereal

Poptarts

Chocolate Fudge, Cinnamon
& Strawberry

Blueberry, Banana & Lemon Bread Slices,
Mini Pancakes, Mini Cinni's, Mini Strawberry
Bagels, Mini Chocolate or Powdered Donuts

Bakery

**Fruit
&
Milk**

Apple, Grape & Orange Juice
Apple Slices, Apple Crisps & Craisins
Chocolate, Strawberry & White Milk



SEPTEMBER 2024

* Menu is subject to change without notice *



Dawson Springs

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PAY FOR MEALS ONLINE
MySchoolBucks.com

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>LABOR DAY ²</p>	<p>³ Rotini w/Garlic Bread or Italian Cheesy Bread w/Marinara, Peas & Carrots, Cali Veggies, Side Salad, Fruit or Juice & Milk</p>	<p>⁴ Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Drumstick, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>⁵ Beef & Cheese Nachos or Mac & Cheese, Refried Beans, Fiesta Veggies, Mexican Rice, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>⁶ Pizza or Cheeseburger, Corn, Baby Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit, Sidekick, Cookie & Milk</p>
<p>⁹ Grilled Cheese or Sloppy Joes, Tater Tots, Broccoli, Coleslaw, Tomato Soup, Fruit, or Juice & Milk</p>	<p>¹⁰ Chicken Filet Sandwich or Spicy Chicken Sandwich, Potato Smiles, Glazed Carrots, Lettuce/Tomato, Fruit or Juice & Milk</p>	<p>¹¹ Breakfast for Lunch. Chicken Patty, Sausage Patty, Scrambled Eggs, Tater Tots, Biscuit, Gravy, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>¹² Chicken Fajita or Fiestada Pizza, Refried Beans, Roasted Onion & Peppers Salsa & Chips, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>¹³ Pizza or Comdog, Corn, Baby Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit, Sidekick, Cookie & Milk</p>
<p>¹⁶ Chicken Nuggets or General TSO's Chicken w/Rice, Tater Tots, Broccoli, Side Salad, Egg Roll, Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk</p>	<p>¹⁷ Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Onion Rings, Pork-n-Beans, Lettuce/Tomato, Fruit or Juice & Milk</p>	<p>¹⁸ Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Drumstick, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>¹⁹ Cheesy Chicken & Rice or Crispito w/Queso, Fiesta Veggies, Refried Beans, Mexican Rice, Salsa & Chips, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>²⁰ Pizza or Chicken Sandwich, Corn, Baby Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit, Sidekick, Cookie & Milk</p>
<p>²³ BBQ Sandwich or Hotdog, Tater Tots, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>²⁴ Chicken Alfredo w/Garlic Bread, or Calzone w/Marinara, Corn on the Cob, Broccoli, Side Salad, Fruit or Juice & Milk</p>	<p>²⁵ Chicken Fried Steak or Turkey & Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>²⁶ Tacos or Chicken Quesadilla, Refried Beans, Roasted Onion & Peppers Salsa & Chips, Fruit, Juice & Milk</p>	<p>²⁷ Pizza or Comdog, Corn, Baby Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit, Sidekick, Cookie & Milk</p>
<p>³⁰ Chicken Tenders or Wings, Tater Tots, Broccoli, Carrots w/Ranch, Roll, Fruit or Juice & Milk</p>				

Daily Breakfast Items: Cereal, Poptarts, Fruit, Juice & Milk

- Monday: Sausage Biscuit or Mini Pancakes
- Tuesday: Breakfast Pizza or Cinnamon Roll
- Wednesday: Egg & Cheese Biscuit or Mini Donuts
- Thursday: Chicken Biscuit or Banana Bread
- Friday: Sausage Pancake on a Stick or Tomado

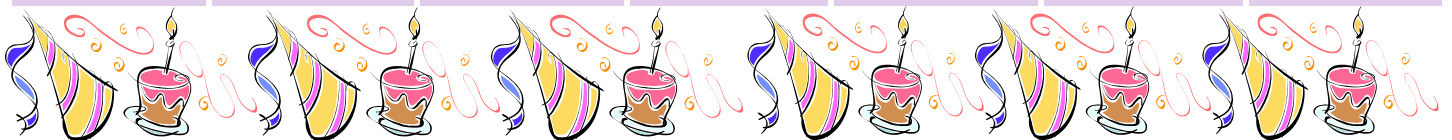
Daily Lunch Menu Items Include: Yogurt or Beef Sticks, String Cheese Stick, Muffin & Cheez-its

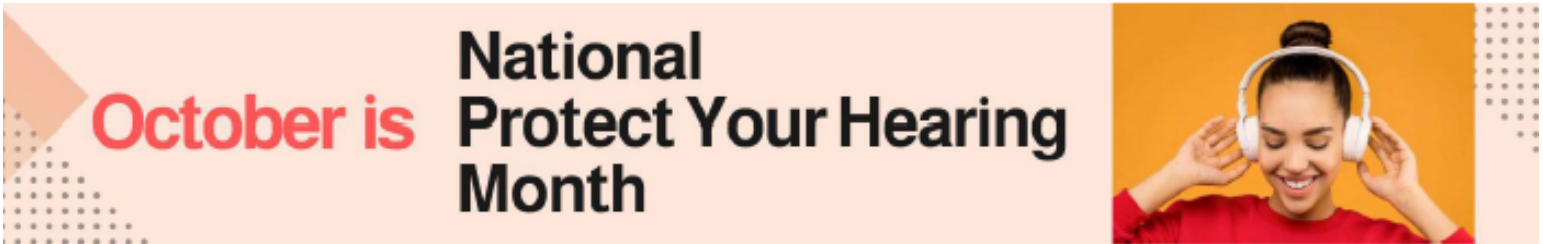
- All of these options come with Vegetable, Fruit & Milk
- Soybutter & Jelly Sandwich w/Cheese Stick & Cheez-its
- Ham & Cheese Sandwich
- Chef Salad w/Roll
- Pizza Lunchable

September Birthdays



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Eric Brasher Abby Johnston	2 Aden McKinney Katie Blanchard Sophia Quinilla-Neyhart Zoe Boal Wyatt Skimehorn	3 Kadenza Richey	4 Gwyneth Larimore Michael Lee	5 Dustin Plunkett Jackson Hilt Kailey Delosh Alivia Dukes Levi Holt Brynlee Littlepage Tracy Collins	6 Dakoda Sailing	7 Scarlett Choate Justin Sherman
8 Brannigan Ethridge	9 Shiloh Garrett Henry Morris	10 Kylee Gray Caden Barnett Leland Sizemore	11 Haley Joiner	12 Jeremiah Griffin	13 	14 Ty Cunningham
15 Ava West Oaklee Holmes Rita Smith Jay Vaughn	16 Tryston Norris	17 Jace Stanley	18 	19 Ariana Kontominas Colten Richardson	20 Elijah Dzikowski Madeline Oldham Ranger Davis	21 Bentley Boyd Kaitlynn Bivins Clayton Ausborn
22 Sophia Jones	23 	24 Kendell Mitchell Cataleya Richey	25 Raelynn Clark Levi Moore Atosha Ellis	26	27 Bentley Felkins	28 Vonda Castle
29 Aleigha Griffin Laura Garrett	30 Erica Bruce Brinleigh Hall Nora Stanley	<p>September Birthday Cake Winners</p> <p>Sophia Quinilla-Neyhart & Levi Moore</p> <p>Present your certificate at our local Dairy Queen for a FREE Ice Cream Cake.</p>			<p>Anyone whose name appears on this calendar is eligible for a 10% discount on an ice cream cake when you present this page at our local Dairy Queen at the time of purchase.</p>	





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Your screening will include:

- An Otoscopic Evaluation
- Full Hearing Screening
- Copy of your Audiogram Results

Scan the QR code below to choose your location and schedule your 15 minute hearing screening.



Hearing is an essential part of life!

Here are a few signs and symptoms to help recognize hearing loss. If you have friends or loved ones who may be experiencing any of the following, we ask you to invite them to have their hearing screened too.

Five Signs of Hearing Loss:

- Frequently asking others to repeat themselves
- Turning the TV to a volume others find loud
- Having trouble understanding conversations in noisy places
- Feeling like others are mumbling
- Often saying "What" or "Huh"



Five Symptoms of Hearing Loss:

- Cognitive decline (forgetfulness, dementia)
- Poor balance
- Fatigue, tension, stress and depression
- High blood pressure
- Isolation and loneliness



Parents & Students, information is at your fingertips.



Access on the Web Campus Student and Campus Parent

Campus Student and Campus Parent are designed to provide real-time access to student information. The easy-to-use design displays what is currently happening in the classroom so you can understand, monitor, and participate in the educational process.

- » Announcements
- » Assignments
- » Attendance
- » Grades
- » Schedules

AND



Download the Mobile App Campus Student and Campus Parent

Announcements

Quickly see district announcements as they are posted.

Assignments

Browse assignments by specific class or due date.

Attendance

Review attendance events in summary and detail form.

Grades

Immediate access to grades as they are posted.

Schedule

Review schedule from anywhere, at any time.



Infinite Campus Mobile Apps can be downloaded through the Apple App Store or Google Play Store

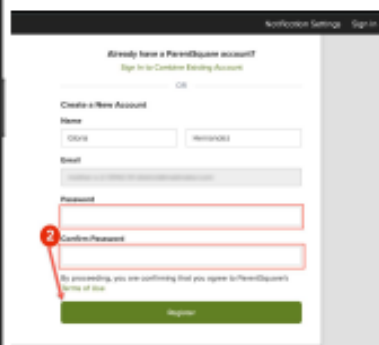
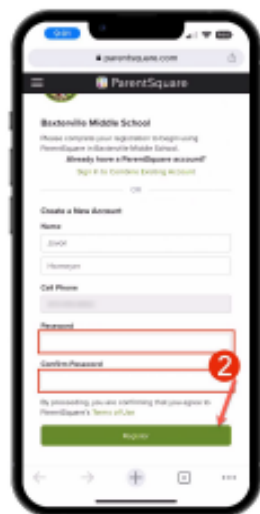


Dawson Springs Independent School District website
<https://www.dawsonsprings.kyschools.us/>

Learn more at
infinitecampus.com/parents-students

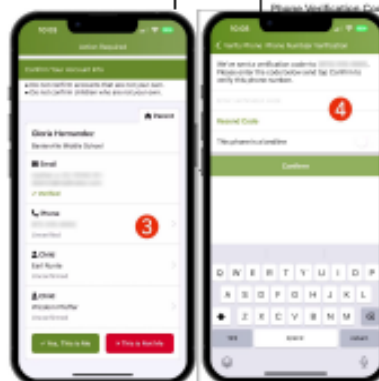
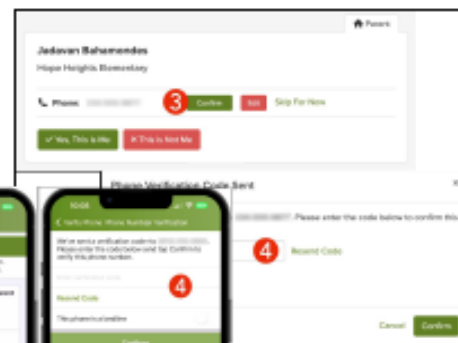
Parents & Guardians Getting Started Guide

1. Open the invitation email or text. Click **Activate your account** or tap the link to activate your account.

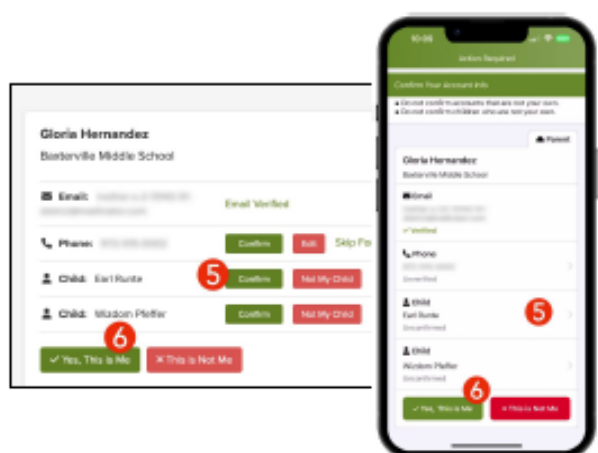


2. Create a Password for your ParentSquare account and click **Register**.

3. Click **Confirm** for your phone number and/or email. A verification code will be sent to the email or phone number.



4. Enter the verification code to confirm.



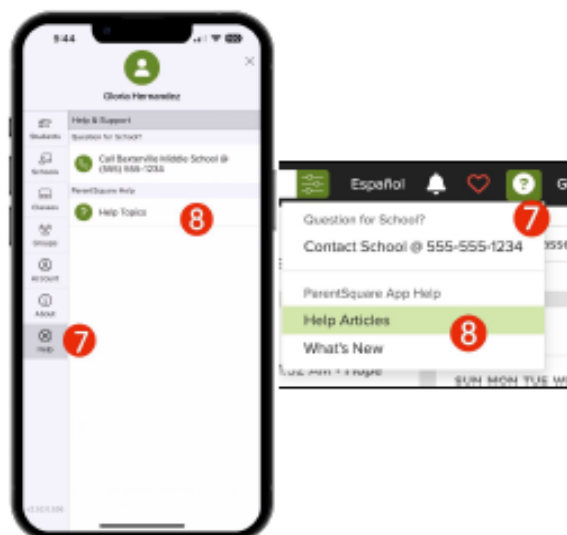
5. Confirm your child(ren) by clicking **Confirm**. Use **Not My Child** if a child listed is not associated with your account.
6. Select **Yes, This is Me** when you have confirmed your contact information and child(ren) associated with your account.

*Name misspelled?
Wrong email or phone number?
Missing a child on your account?*

Contact your child's school to get this information updated.

Once you are logged in to ParentSquare, you will be able to access self-paced training modules, video resources and help articles to assist you with using ParentSquare.

7. Click **?** (Help) for help or your school contact information.
8. Select **Help Articles** to learn how to use ParentSquare.



The ParentSquare apps are free and available in both the Apple iOS and Android stores.



K-12 Voluntary Student Accident Insurance

AVAILABLE COVERAGE OPTIONS

Depending on which program your school provides, some or all of the following voluntary insurance products are available for purchase on a voluntary basis:

- School time only student accident insurance
- 24-hour accident coverage
- Student dental accident insurance

KIDS WILL BE KIDS

1. Make sure your child is properly covered against unforeseen accidents.
2. Purchase coverage at your convenience from any computer.
3. Follow the easy step-by-step instructions and you're done in minutes!



These voluntary participation student accident insurance plans offered through your school can be purchased easily online at:

www.BollingerSchools.com

OFFICE LOCATION

200 Jefferson Park, Whippany, NJ 07981

BollingerSchools.com



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TURN DONUTS *into* DONATIONS

Casey's Rewards lets you earn points on all your Casey's purchases - in-store, online, or at the pump. Turn those points into donations to our school. Sign up in the Casey's app!



Sign up on the app

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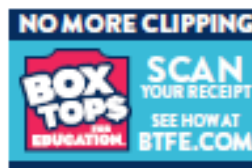


EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

NO MORE CLIPPING. ALL YOU NEED IS YOUR SMARTPHONE.

The NEW and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

LOOK FOR
THE NEW
LABEL:



HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



BUY BOX TOPS PRODUCTS

You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products throughout the store.



SCAN YOUR RECEIPT

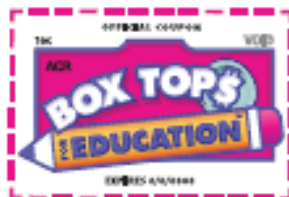
Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



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Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated at BTFE.com.

You do not need to clip or send Box Tops labels to school.



BOX TOPS CLIPS ON PACKAGES

Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store as packages transition to the new Box Tops labels. **You can still clip these and send them to school.** Please make sure each clip has a valid expiration date.



BUY
BOX TOPS
PRODUCTS



CUT
OUT THE BOX TOP
FROM EACH PACKAGE



SEND
YOUR BOX TOPS
TO SCHOOL

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT
THE BOX TOPS APP AT BTFE.COM

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THE ALL-NEW BOX TOPS IS HERE!
DOWNLOAD THE APP:



2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

District: DAWSON SPRINGS

Board Approved 12/18/2023

Part I Traditional Calendar Variable

Schools: ELEM/JR SR HIGH

July 2024

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August 2024

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October 2024

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November 2024

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December 2024 (79)

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January 2025

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February 2025

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March 2025

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April 2025

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May 2025

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June 2025 (92)

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29	30					

PD DAYS (9): 8/9-8/19, 11/4
OPEN & CLOSE (2): 8/20/24 & 5/27/25
HOLIDAYS (4): 9/4/24, 11/28/24, 12/25/24, 1/1/25
FLEX/ BREAK DAYS (2): 2/10/25 & 3/14/25
STUDENTS FIRST DAY: 8/21/24
STUDENTS LAST DAY/GRADUATION: 5/23/25

FALL BREAK (2): 10/10-10/14
SPRING BREAK (5): 3/31/25-4/4/25
MAKE-UP DAYS (5): 5/28/25-6/3/25
STUDENT ATTENDANCE DAYS: 171
TEACHER REQUIREMENT DAYS: 185
SCHOOL STARTS 7:55 AM ENDS: 2:50 PM