



August's Hive Newsletter

What's Happening This Month....

When I started this month's newsletter at the beginning of last week, it had a completely different tone to it. At that time the kids were just starting back and were full of excitement and some beginning of the school year jitters. Watching all the kids come in with their bright smiles, laughter and backpacks in tow is always a wonderful start to our year. Then came the rain, the water, and unexpected results. No one really expects these things to happen.



They just do. Everything can be perfectly fine and then completely change in a moment. While we may not have been ready or prepared for something of this magnitude, our people, our families, our TOWN stepped up to the challenge. This has been my hometown all my life. My grandparents raised their family here, my parents raised theirs and now we are raising ours. Laurel isn't just a small town in the middle of nowhere. It's a part of its people and it can bring a sense of pride for those who call it home. What so many have seen over this last week is what we who live and work here already know. LAUREL DOESN'T QUIT! You don't give up, you pull together and keep going.

This town has shown resiliency in a time of devastation, compassion in a time of heartache, and a will to continue to push forward. From everyone here at our little hometown school, we want you to know we stand with you, we are here for you, you are in our hearts, thoughts, and prayers. Laurel Elementary staff will do all we can to continue to help our community. If you are in need, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at 765-698-3851, or email your student's teacher, principal, or even office staff. As I finish up this newsletter, may I remind us all to lean on your Faith, Family, and Friends in this time. You were never meant to walk this journey alone.

Reminders 💡

- 8/24: No School/Staff Professional Learning Day
 - 9/1: Family Cookout 5pm to 7pm
 - 9/7: No School/Labor Day
 - 9/9: Early Dismissal
 - 9/11: Roaming Mug 7am to 9am
 - 9/11: Grandparent's/Special Person's Day 1pm to 2pm
 - 9/18: Eye Screenings for 1st, 3rd & 5th Graders
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Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run registration is now open until September 5th, 2026. This is for girls in 3rd through 5th grade. To register please go to <https://www.pinwheel.us/register/index/LNP1GWT3PCMLMES?sid=3ae15a7b680d404b9faa2d4e11632bfe>

If you are a family that was affected by the flooding, your child's registration fee can be waived during the payment process.

The season begins September 1st and will continue to meet every Tuesday and Thursday from after school until 4:10pm. The 5k at the end of the season will be on November 7th, 2026 in Batesville, IN.

Clothing Closet

Laurel Elementary has a clothing closet to help families that may need a little extra help. We are able to send home clothes, hygiene products, shoes and backpacks. If you are interested in signing up for this, please let your student's teacher know. We will begin sending these packages home with students this month for those signed up.



Lunch Menu



Monday

Option 1: Baked Turkey
Bolognese Pasta
Breadstick
Green Beans
Option 2: Muffin, Cheese &
Yogurt
Choice of Milk

Option 1: BBQ
Pulled Pork Sand.
Fries
Option 2: Ham & Cheese
Hoagie
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Sweet & Sour
Chicken
Rice & Peas
Option 2: Biscuit with
Turkey Ham Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Chicken
Nuggets
Baked Beans & Roll
Option 2: Goldfish, Ham,
Mozzarella Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Baked Turkey
Bolognese Pasta
Breadstick
Green Beans
Option 2: Muffin, Cheese &
Yogurt
Choice of Milk

Tuesday

Option 1: Beef Taco
Brown Rice
Refried Beans
Option 2: Muffin, Cheese &
Yogurt
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Chicken
Swedish Meatballs
Rice & Carrots
Option 2: Ham & Cheese
Hoagie
Choice of Milk

Option 1: French Toast
Sticks
Turkey Sausage & Tator Tots
Option 2: Biscuit with
Turkey Ham Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Mini
Cheese Ravioli
Roll & Cauliflower
Option 2: Goldfish, Ham,
Mozzarella Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

Wednesday

Option 1: Wildcat Bowl
Corn
Roll
Option 2: Muffin, Cheese &
Yogurt
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Chili
Cinnamon Roll
Option 2: Ham & Cheese
Hoagie
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Grilled
Cheese Sand.
Tomato Soup
Option 2: Biscuit with
Turkey Ham Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Mini
Corn Dogs
Fries
Option 2: Goldfish, Ham,
Mozzarella Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

Thursday

Option 1: Teriyaki Chicken
Rice
Stir Fried Veggies
Option 2: Muffin, Cheese &
Yogurt
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Pancakes
Turkey Sausage
Tator Tots
Option 2: Ham & Cheese
Hoagie
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Chicken
Tenders
Roll & Tator Tots
Option 2: Biscuit with
Turkey Ham Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Meatballs
Pasta
Peas
Option 2: Goldfish, Ham,
Mozzarella Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

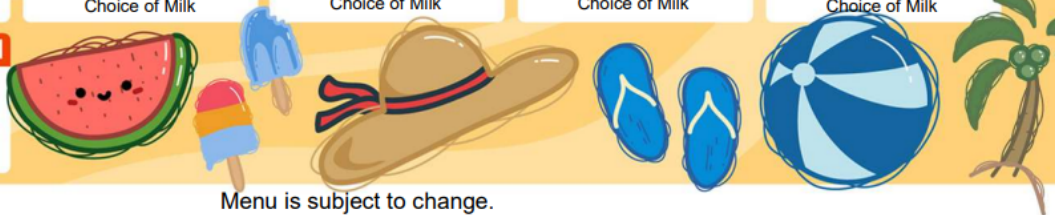
Friday

Option 1:
Pepperoni Pizza
Celery Sticks
Option 2: Muffin, Cheese &
Yogurt
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Cheese Pizza
Carrots
Option 2: Ham & Cheese
Hoagie
Choice of Milk

Option 1: BBQ
Chicken Pizza
Celery Sticks
Option 2: Biscuit with
Turkey Ham Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk

Option 1: Sausage
Pizza
Carrots
Option 2: Goldfish, Ham,
Mozzarella Fun Lunch
Choice of Milk



Menu is subject to change.

Fresh Salads, and PB&J Uncrustables offered daily as an alternative
Choice of fruits and vegetables offered daily.

MY
SCHOOL
BUCKS

PAY FOR MEALS ONLINE
MySchoolBucks.com

Jacket Backers PTO PRESENTS FAMILY FUN NIGHT AND COOKOUT

BOUNCEHOUSE
PROVIDED BY SAILOR
HOMESTEAD!



SEPTEMBER 1ST

5:00PM-7:00PM

LAUREL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

EXTENDED TO OUR
WHOLE
COMMUNITY

AFTER THE FLOOD THAT IMPACTED SO MANY OF OUR NEIGHBORS, WE'RE
COMING TOGETHER TO ENJOY A MEAL, HAVE FUN AND CELEBRATE WHAT
MAKES LAUREL SO SPECIAL.

ENJOY

FREE COOKOUT

BURGERS, HOTDOGS, CHIPS,

DRINKS & MORE

MUSIC AND GAMES

BOUNCEHOUSE

COMMUNITY TOGETHERNESS



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