

FIRST DAYS OF SCHOOL CHECKLIST

Welcome to the 2018-2019 Burr Elementary School year! We look forward to another fun and exciting year filled with learning, growing and exploring. Please review the information below to help guide you through the first few weeks of school.



☐ Dates to Remember:

- ☐ **August 29th -- New Family Orientation (10:30 am):** This event is for families new to Burr (excluding incoming Kindergarten families, see below) to get a tour of the school & meet some friendly faces.
- ☐ **August 29th -- Kindergarten Warm Up (1:00 pm) and Playdate (2:00 pm):** After meeting teachers and visiting their classrooms, Kindergarten students and their families are invited to an informal playdate on the Burr playground.
- ☐ **August 30th -- First Day of School**
- ☐ **August 30th -- Tears & Cheers 9:15 am:** Greet your kids as they arrive at school and then come into the Cafeteria to connect with other parents (new & old), sign up for volunteer opportunities and finalize/turn in any forms (see below).
- ☐ **September 6th -- Ice Cream Social 3:45 pm (Rain date 9/12):** This annual event gives both parents and children an opportunity to celebrate the beginning of the school year. See flyer for details & to sign up.
- ☐ **September 10th -- Pre-K Open House 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm (Parents only)**
- ☐ **September 17th - After the Bell Fall Session beings.** See flyer for details
- ☐ **September 20th -- K -5th Open House 6:30 pm (Parents only)**
- ☐ **September 26th -- School Photo Day** Pictures will be outside, weather permitting.

☐ Forms to Be Completed -- Bring the following appropriate forms to Tears & Cheers

- ☐ **PTA Directory & Membership Form** -- Be a member of your PTA. It's easy -- just complete the PTA Directory & Membership Form. The PTA helps to provide a multitude of programs, services and events for our children, including Author visits, Diversity Day, One Book/One School, River Lab, MakerSpace, Halloween Spooktacular, Variety Show and much more. The PTA also provides a complimentary School Directory to ALL Burr families.
- ☐ **Participation Waiver** - A waiver is **required** for **all** children (including those not attending Burr Elementary School) to participate in PTA events (Ice Cream Social, Dances, etc.) throughout the school year. Don't delay in filling it out!
- ☐ **Direct Appeal** -- The #1 fundraiser for Burr Elementary School! Please show your support for our school, the PTA & its programming by donating either via PayPal at BurrPTA.org or check.

- ☐ **Sign Up for Volunteer Opportunities** -- The Burr PTA offers a lot of ways for parents to be involved ranging from hands on classroom opportunities to one-off events. Sign up at Tears & Cheers or check out Burrpta.org for more information.

- ❑ **Purchase Spirit Wear** -- Spirit wear will be on sale at Tears & Cheers. Items include t-shirts, sport bags, car magnets, pick-up note forms, water bottles & more! Bring your checkbooks or cash (sorry, no credit cards).

- ❑ **Get Connected:**
 - ❑ Sign up for the **Burr Buzz** -- a weekly email announcing school events and activities. A must read!! To sign up, send an email to burrbuzz@burrpta.org
 - ❑ Visit **Burr PTA website** at www.burrpta.org . Find the lunch menu, school and event calendars, copy of the Burr Buzz, volunteer opportunities and much more.
 - ❑ Join the '**Burr PTA**' **Facebook group** -- a closed group where Burr parents ask questions, share information and get updates on events.
 - ❑ Join the '**BearsBurr**' **Twitter handle** for quick updates on happenings at Burr.

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