



Monarch Elementary
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Dear Parents,

It is extremely important that every parent enroll in Greenville County School's (GCS) new Parent Backpack. This will take the place of the former parent portal.

Backpack is an online tool that allows parents and guardians to make important changes to your child's demographic information and receive important alerts and notifications from the school and district. This site will allow you to view your child's grades, see district and state testing scores, attendance and more. To begin creating a Backpack account, please see the enclosed the directions from GCS as well as your child's schedule. Your child's student ID number can be found on the schedule. After completing the online steps, you will then need to come to Monarch's front office **in person** and verify your identity. This is a safe guard as Parent Backpack gives you access to important student information. You must bring a government issued photo ID to verify your identity and, if applicable, proof of custody or divorce/separation documents. It is only necessary to do this once for the entirety of your child's enrollment in GCS. More information can be found on page 11 in the latest GCS [ConnectED newsletter](#) that was mailed to families last week. Additionally, this information is posted on our website.

I am looking forward to a fantastic year.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Vaughan Overman

Mrs. Vaughan E. Overman, Principal