

August 23, 2019 Edition

The Principal's Page is sent home weekly on Fridays to keep families up-to-date on school events and important information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 27 PTA Room Parent Meeting (8:15 am)
- 27 CFA Spirit Night (5:00-8:00 pm)
- 2 No School - Labor Day
- 5 Coffee with the Principal (8:30 am)
- 6 PTA T-shirt Orders Due
- 9 Fall Fundraiser Kickoff
- 9 PTA Meeting (6:30 pm)
- 11 Spirit Day - Red/White/Blue
- 13 PTA Board Meeting (8:15 am)



LIFE SKILL OF THE WEEK

Responsibility

"to respond when appropriate,
to be accountable for one's actions"

PRINCIPAL'S PAGE - PAPER OR DIGITAL?

In order to save paper and copying costs, we will begin sending the Principal's Page home via e-mail beginning next week, August 30. If you would like to continue to receive a paper copy of the Principal's Page sent home with your child on Fridays, we will be happy to provide one. Please let your child's teacher know. If you already signed up for paper copies in your child's classroom during Meet the Teacher, you are good to go and you do not need to do anything else!

SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE

7:15	Building Opens	2:00	Early Dismissals End
7:40	Breakfast Ends	2:30	School Dismisses
8:00	School Begins	3:00	Pick Up Ends

BREAKFAST AT SCHOOL


Breakfast is **free** to all students and served from 7:15-7:45 each day. Students must arrive in the cafeteria no later than 7:45 to be able to eat breakfast. Parents are encouraged to allow their children who eat breakfast to go through the line and procedures by themselves. Staff members are always on hand to help if needed.

BACKPACK - ONE-STOP SHOPPING

Parents can use the Parent Backpack to update the list of individuals allowed to pick up their child, change contact and address information, check grades, view lunch balances, and find a lot of other information. See the back of this page on how to enroll!



PTA Corner

- ♦ PTA Information can be found on the PTA Page of the school website.
- ♦ Paris PTA Memberships are \$5.00 or 4/\$16.00 for a family. Join!
- ♦ Fall Fundraiser, Charleston Wrap, will kickoff Monday, September 9. 
- ♦ Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night - Tuesday, August 27, at Chick-Fil-A from 5:00-8:00 pm. Third grade teachers will be serving!
- ♦ Mark your calendar for the first PTA meeting on Monday, September 9, at 6:30 pm!

FOCUS ON LEARNING - A PART OF THE TEAM

- ♦ Arrive before 8:00 am each day and avoid unnecessary absences.
- ♦ Volunteer! Follow the process for the level you want to be by clicking VOLUNTEER at the top of our school website. Remember your picture ID to sign in with the district sign-in system.
- ♦ Please allow the office to deliver things for your child to the classroom to avoid interrupting instruction.
- ♦ Enable the class to return to learning by not returning to the classroom after eating lunch with your child. Say your goodbyes in the lunch room.
- ♦ Please do not interrupt the learning in the classroom to talk with the teacher during class time.
- ♦ Let us know of suggestions or concerns.



Thank you for being a part of the team in keeping the focus on learning!

CAR LINE TIPS #115, 237, 356, 691, & 732

- ⇒ The school-issued blue number card is required for pickup. Without it, pickup is in the school office.
- ⇒ Keep the blue number card visible until your child enters your vehicle. This helps staff assist your child.
- ⇒ Please pull as far forward as possible to allow other cars to unload/load behind you.
- ⇒ Drop off and pick up is only in the designated area in the front of the school.
- ⇒ If you must get out of your car to load or unload your child, please pull into a parking space.



One-Stop Shopping With Backpack!



Parents now have a “one-stop shop” to access their children’s grades, assignments, lunch balances, and other information. Parents can also use Backpack to change contact and demographic information, update the list of individuals allowed to pick up their child from school, and ensure they receive important alerts and notifications from the school or district. Parents will also be able to invite others (grandparents, babysitters, etc.) to have viewing rights to their child’s information without giving them access to change any data or pick up rights. Get started by following the steps below!

Create a Parent Backpack Account:

1. Go to <https://parents.gcsbackpack.com>
2. Click on the “I’m a Parent” button.
3. Enter a valid email address and create a 10-character password.
4. Complete your name and click “Create My Parent Account” button.
5. When you receive a confirmation email, click on “Activate Your Parent Backpack Account.”
6. Clicking will take you to the Parent Backpack log in screen. Log in using your email and newly created password.
7. Click on “My Students” to link your account to your child(ren). Have a copy of your student’s latest grade report handy because you will need your Students’ ID Number.
8. Click “Add a Student” and complete the requested information. Click “Request to Add a Student.” You will receive a message that your request has been successfully submitted to the administrative clerk at your student’s school for review.

What’s Next?

Because Parent Backpack gives you access to important student information and the ability to revise key information, Paris Elementary must verify your identity and proof of custody as a parent or guardian IN PERSON. Please plan to visit Paris as soon as possible after the creation of your account. The front office clerk can provide the necessary verification. It is a good idea to call ahead to ensure the clerk will be available during your visit. It is only necessary to do this once for the entirety of your child’s enrollment in Greenville County Schools.

Items that may be needed for verification:

Official birth certificate
Government Issued Photo ID
Divorce/Separation Documents (if applicable)

