



BLANDFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Blandford Parents and Students,

On behalf of the staff and faculty of Blandford Elementary School, welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! The first day of school will be **Monday, August 13th**. Students in grades 1-6 will be on Monday early release schedule. The school office is now open for registration and other school business Monday-Friday from 7:30am to 4:00pm.

The **bell schedule** for the 2018 - 2019 school year is as followed:

Blandford School Schedule		
<u>Grades TK-K</u>	Monday-Friday	8:00 AM – 1:22 PM
<u>Grades 1-3</u>	Monday Tuesday-Friday	8:00 AM – 1:02 PM 8:00 AM – 2:25 PM
<u>Grades 4-6</u>	Monday Tuesday-Friday	8:00 AM – 1:11 PM 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Please make arrangements to drop off and pick up your child promptly.

Classroom Assignments:

Classroom assignments for **Grades 1-6** will be posted on the office windows at 4:00pm on Friday, August 10th.

TK & Kindergarten Kick Off Meet and Greet:

TK & Kindergarten Kick Off Meet and Greet will be held on Friday, August 10 from 8:00am to 9:00am. Students and parents will have a chance to meet the classroom teacher and learn about the TK & Kindergarten program and important school information. Class assignments for TK & Kindergarten will be posted on the office windows at 7:45 am on Friday, August 10.

The First Day of School:

On the first day of school, we welcome all parents to accompany your child to his/her classroom. You will be able to meet the teacher and help your child transition to his/her new class. Beginning the second day of school (August 14th), only TK/Kindergarten parents will be allowed to escort their child to their classroom. Starting Tuesday, August 14, all parents and visitors will need to check in at the front office before entering campus.

First Day Packet Forms:

A packet of required documents will be sent home on the first day of school. Please be sure to carefully review all information with your child. Turn in ALL First Day Packet Forms, to your child's teacher, before **Friday, August 17th**.

Confirmation of Information - Rowland Homelink Aeries Student Information System

All parents are **required** to verify enrollment information for their students between now and August 31, 2018. Parents will need to log into their Homelink Account to do this. You should have received a letter from the district with information about your account and how to log-in. If you did

not receive the letter, need support in verifying information or do not have access to a computer, please join us in the school computer lab on Friday, August 10 from 8-10am or contact the school office.

Student Drop Off/Pick Up on Blandford Dr.:

Please note that the school gates open at **7:50am** for all students. Please do not drop off students before 7:30am as there is no supervision available. To ensure the safety of children and adults, it is imperative that the following procedures be observed:

- Drop-off/pick-up lane (white zone): There is no parking in this lane, please keep moving forward.
- If your child has not come out after 5 minutes for pick up, please drive around the block. We need this lane to keep moving.
- Continue to pull forward as space becomes available.
- Students may load and unload only from the drop off/pick up lane. No loading in the street or parking lot.
- For safety purposes, students may only enter and exit the vehicle from the passenger side.

Visitor Parking:

Parking is available on the street. The parking lot is reserved for staff only between 7:00am - 3:00pm. **There is no drop off/pick up in the parking lot.** It is suggested to arrive early as traffic is congested during arrive/dismissal times. Please plan accordingly.

Free and Reduced Lunch Program:

Students who qualify for free or reduced lunch must complete the meal application and return it to the Food Services located at the RUSD District Office. Please be sure to send a lunch or money with your child until you are approved. You can save time and apply online at <https://rowlandusd.rocketscanapps.com> . For more information you can contact the Food Services department at (626) 854-8312.

Lunch and Breakfast (Paid):

- Directions to set up a lunch account and monitor your child's lunch funds at www.myschoolbucks.com
- Payment to credit your child's lunch account can be done on www.myschoolbucks.com or make checks payable to **RUSD Food Services.**
- Meal Prices: Breakfast \$1.15 and Lunch \$2.00
- You will receive a notice when your child's account balance is low.

Blandford PTA

The Blandford PTA is a big part of what makes Blandford such a great school. Your membership assists the school in providing additional activities and instructional support to the students. Your participation is always appreciated.

The staff and I are looking forward to a wonderful year. Go Blandford Bears!

Sincerely,
June Sakaue, Principal