

Benjamin Davis Elementary



Greetings! We are very excited to be off to a great 2017-2018 school year. Hallways are filled with so much energy and love for learning. It is our job as educators to keep the energy and excitement going throughout the school year. We want Ben Davis to be the best part of your child's day and we want students to feel welcome.

This year, more so than ever students are building relationships with their peers and enjoying their surroundings. BD is truly an awesome place to be and a "special little place" where students reach their full potential. It's amazing to witness the joy of students. That reason alone gives Ben Davis the strength to go that extra mile.

As you know BD is a busy school and we want your help. School Involvement is one of the best ways to stay connected to your child's school and to learn about all the happenings. Therefore, I encourage you to email your child's teacher or drop by to find out ways you can volunteer. We love parent volunteers and our students love you! So, take advantage of our "Open Door" policy. Yes, I'm great with names, however; I'm still learning and making connections with my new students and parents. So, feel free to walk up to me and engage in conversation. I love building relationships!

Attendance is a must! Good school attendance is one of the primary indicators tied to student success. Students cannot learn if they are not at school. Also, when students are not here, they miss critical opportunities to learn and participate in well-designed lessons and activities. Keep in mind that the material(s) covered each day depends on the lesson from the day before. Unless necessary, please do your best not to pick your child up early from school. Instruction starts at 7:55 and ends at 2:18. We take advantage of every minute.

A special thank you to Decatur City Schools Foundation for purchasing Accelerated Reader for our students. Our students love reading and they enjoy reading books for points. AR is a computerized program that tests comprehension. Students select books on their reading level, read independently, and take an independent comprehension test on the computer. Each book is worth a certain number of points based on its length and reading level.

Wonderful Wednesday is on its way! Next week, students will be given an interest base form to fill out and return back to school ASAP. It is important that you have a conversation with your child about the classes we will be offering on Wonderful Wednesday. That way, students are excited and eager to attend. Upon receiving to those classes in order they want. Turn

