

WELCOME TO READ SCHOOL *2022-23*

Welcome students and families to the 2022-223 school year! At Read School we value our family and community partnerships, and we understand the importance of working together to ensure that your child has a safe, positive, and rewarding educational experience. Relationships matter to us because they are the foundation for learning. *We want all students to feel that they belong to our school family.*

At Read School we want to see your child succeed this school year! Our school staff work hard each day to create a safe environment for learning. It is important that students come to school every school day as long as they aren't sick. Students who come to school regularly have better grades, feel positive about school, and are more likely to graduate from high school in the future. Your child's attendance matters very much to his or her future success. We are asking that all students make **GREEN** their goal for the school year. This means that your child will strive to have **9 or fewer absences** for the whole school year. Please see the important chart below:



MORNING ARRIVAL

School hours are arranged in two separate groups:

Grades 5 – 8:

- **7:50 am – 2:20 pm** (Full Day)
- **7:50 am – 12:00 pm** (One Session Day / Early Dismissal)
- A student who arrives after 8:05 am is considered tardy and will need a late pass

Grades PK – 4:

- **8:30 am – 3:00 pm** (Full Day)
- **8:30 – 12:40 pm** (One Session Day / Early Dismissal)
- Students who arrive before **8:20 am** must be supervised by a parent or guardian
- Students in grades K-4 should not walk to school alone
- PK students should arrive at **PE Entrance** at **8:30 am** each day and they must be signed in by a parent or guardian upon arrival
- A student who arrives to school after 8:45 am must report to the main entrance for a late pass

AFTERNOON DISMISSAL

To achieve safe and orderly dismissal routines, students are dismissed in two waves:

- **Grades 5 – 8 ~ 2:20 p.m.**
- **Grades PK – 4 ~ 3:00 p.m.**

Students in grades PK – 4 will not be dismissed between 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. except for the following reasons:

- Family emergency
- An appointment (written documentation must be provided)
- Administrator's approval

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

All parents and guardians must provide Read School with current emergency contact information. Please update these numbers throughout the school year, especially if your family moves or your phone numbers change. Emergency information should include:

- Family's home address
- 3 or more telephone numbers to be used for emergency purposes

COMMUNICATION

Please download the **ParentSquare** app to your cell phone so that you receive ongoing communication from your child's teacher and the school. Contact Diane Gonzalez if you need help accessing your account: 203-275-4710 or dgonzalez1@bridgeportedu.net.



READ SCHOOL'S AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM: LIGHTHOUSE

Read School has a fun, enriching afterschool program, *Lighthouse Program*, serving students in grades K – 8. Lighthouse runs daily, Monday through Friday. Please direct questions to **Mr. Kevin Carpenter**, Read School's Lighthouse Site Coordinator. He is available by email (kcarpenter@bridgeportedu.net) or daily after 3:00 pm. You can get an application by contacting the main office.

We are very excited for the new school year!

Sincerely,

Read School Administrators

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