

BROOKVALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

7:30 – 2:30 p.m. Wednesdays & Early Dismissal Days

Be sure to check out our school website at: <https://brookvale-fusd-ca.schoolloop.com/>



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PARENT NEWSLETTER **August 2022 Welcome Newsletter**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Greetings Brookvale Families and Welcome!

Brookvale staff and teachers are gearing up for an exciting return to in-person instruction on August 17th. However, I do understand that our community may experience anxiety relating to the return to in-person learning for our students. Fremont Unified COVID safety plans are in direct alignment with Alameda County Health Department and Alameda County Department of Education. All FUSD protocols will be followed at Brookvale. Please remember to check our Brookvale website and Fremont Unified website for the most current information <https://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/covid-safety>

Welcome New Bronco Staff Members:

- Ms. Singleton: 6th Grade
- Ms. Devoto: Intervention Specialist
- Ms. Jindal: Science

Combination Class Information:

Student projections and staffing allocations for each school year are determined by the district and our student numbers indicate that we will have a 2nd/3rd grade combination class. The enrolled number of students doesn't always neatly match the numbers of teachers at schools, so "combinations", "combos", or "split classes" are formed to accommodate a group of students at a grade level. This is a common occurrence across Fremont Unified School District as well as the state of California and the nation.

To view frequently asked questions about combination classes, please visit our website under Bronco Updates to access **COMBINATION CLASSES 2022-2023: Frequently Asked Questions**

Brookvale Campus Arrival/Departure and Visitors:

As in past school years, the Brookvale Parking lot will not be available for dropping off and picking up students. Parents are instructed to use the Los Cerritos Parking lot next to our school or park on the street as legally indicated. Parents/Caregivers will be allowed to accompany their child/children to the classroom doors on Wednesday (8/17), Thursday (8/18), and Friday (8/19) only. **Parents will not be allowed to enter the classroom and must clear the campus by 8:30 a.m.**

Beginning on Monday 8/22 **only** staff members and students will be allowed in areas behind the orange cones or yellow line for campus safety. Parents/Caregivers must stay in front of the Brookvale school office while their child/children walk to their designated location to meet their teacher.

The same locations used for student arrival will be used for student dismissal. Parents/guardians are encouraged to pick up their child in the same place they were dropped off to avoid confusion. Families that elect to walk their children home may meet their child at the front of the Brookvale school office or near the flagpole.

2022-2023 Brookvale Office Policy:

When possible, all questions, concerns, or inquiries should be conducted via email or phone.

- Please email Lena Anderson (lenaanderson@fusdk12.net) for general school business
- Please email Jennifer Mehta (jmehta@fusdk12.net) for attendance-related business
- Brookvale School Office: (510) 797-5940

2022-2023 Brookvale Volunteer Policy:

- Teachers will communicate directly with their class parents regarding volunteering in the classroom
- If a parent/caregiver is needing to physically visit a Brookvale classroom teacher, prior arrangements must be made. We encourage parents to utilize electronic communications with your child's teacher

In partnership,
Malinda Elliott

ONLINE MAZE DAYS WINDOW OPEN NOW

Your child's FALL Class Assignment and teacher will be posted in your IC Parent Portal; currently *projected* to go live on August 12, 2022.

Annual MAZE DAY Online information updates are necessary in order to confirm current emergency contact information and to submit *required residency verification* and complete required disclosures necessary for the 2022-2023 school year. Parents must complete the online process ASAP so that when the student's new schedule goes LIVE, they will be able to see their child's teacher.

Instructions needed for accessing your IC Parent Portal are included here:

To access your IC Parent Portal Account click https://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/pf4/cms2/news_themed_display?id=1658040846608



BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2022-2023

Please go to our website to view the full Bell Schedule. The warning bell will ring at 8:25 a.m. for all students in grades TK – 6. Students are expected to be in class promptly at 8:30 a.m. for the start of instruction.



2022-2023 IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES: Visit our website to view our complete calendar and Bell Schedule <https://brookvale-fusd-ca.schoolloop.com/>

EVERY WED IS AN EARLY DISMISSAL DAY for 1st – 6th Grade: 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

2022 – 2023 All TK/K Classes will be AM Only:

8:30 a.m. – 11:50 a.m./New families must *register* their IC Parent Portal to ensure they receive their teacher assignment.

Our Bell Schedule start and end times:

M, T, Th, F grades 1-6 will attend 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Wednesdays will be early dismissal days

July

18 Online MAZE Day Window Open through 8/16—watch for your FUSD Notification Email for details and the link

August

9 School Office Opens to the Public 8:00 a.m. – 4 p.m. (Closed for lunch 11:30 -12:30 until 8/17)

12 Class/Student Teacher Assignment goes live in the IC Parent Portal for completed Online MAZE Applications

17 First Day of School for the 2022-2023 School Year (Wednesday early dismissal schedule for grades 1 – 6 @ 1:30 p.m) Regular Office Hours in effect

18-19 Early Dismissal for grades 1 – 6 @ 1:30 p.m.

23 Brookvale Back to School Night—A parent/adult only event; 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Watch for more information

September

5 NO SCHOOL—Labor Day Holiday

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IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT ATTENDANCE ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL & REASSIGNMENT OF STUDENTS

The 2022-2023 School Year begins on Wednesday, August 17, 2022. All students are expected to report to school on the first day unless they are ill. Students who have not attended the first day of school may be transferred to another school effective the second day of school if classrooms at the school of original enrollment are filled. Parents must call in their child's absence and notify the school that their child is ill in order to save their seat. **Seats will not be held for students on extended vacations or other optional activities, whether or not the school is notified.**



BREAKFAST FOR STUDENTS

CNS (Child Nutrition Services) will continue to provide Brookvale Students with a free 2nd Chance Breakfast at the first recess of the day. Free school lunches will also be available to all students again this school year.

To learn more about student meals, please visit the CNS website:

<https://fusdcafes.org/?page=main>

COMMUNICATION TO FAMILIES:

Brookvale sends important information to families via our monthly newsletters; posted on the 2nd Thursday of every month while school is in session. We also send automated calls and parent emails with important information via BrightArrow. Teachers also send communication to parents and will share more once school begins. Please ensure you take the time to regularly visit our website and read important news.



DIGITAL FLYER DELIVERY

As a reminder, FUSD uses Peachjar to send school information and approved flyers from community organizations digitally. In addition to important school events and information, these flyers contain programs and events offered throughout your community that help your child succeed. After-school sports, local family events, free community programs, and college prep are just a handful of the resources found in our district's Peachjar emails. You can also find all school-approved digital flyers posted on Brookvale's flyerboard by clicking the "Peachjar eflyers" button.

SOME IMPORTANT ITEMS TO NOTE:

The following information will ensure your child has a wonderful first day of school leading into an even more fun-filled and productive school year!

- We are excited to start the new school year and eager to greet our new and returning families and students on the first day of school, Wednesday, August 17, 2022
- If you have not yet done so, be sure to access your IC Parent Portal to complete the Online MAZE Registration Process before August 12, 2022 so that you may see your child's teacher when schedules are released online via your portal
- Read our Brookvale Parent Newsletters and all teacher and school/district communications for important updates
- Ensure your child arrives to school on time daily, and is picked up promptly at dismissal time. If your child will be absent from school, please be sure to call/email our office so we may excuse the absence and confirm your child is safe
- Plan family vacation time when school is not in session so as not to miss instructional time
- Update our office staff with any changes to your contact information (very important in the case of a student illness or emergency). Email is best
- Be prepared to show valid ID if arriving to check your child out early from school
- If sending someone else to check your child out of school early, email the office if that person is not listed in IC as an emergency contact. ID must be presented
- Do NOT send your child to school with medication (Over the Counter or otherwise). Contact the school nurse or office staff for the proper forms which must be completed should your child need any medication while at school
- Know that we are here to support your child in every way possible to ensure continued social and academic growth and do reach out with any concerns you may have to the appropriate school site personnel

