




BULLDOG BULLETIN

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DuPont Elementary

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 DuPont Elementary Old Hickory Bulldogs

WELCOME TO DUPONT!

Hello DuPont Families,

I am so excited to start our new school year together! Our teachers and staff have been working hard to welcome our students to a new year of learning, friendships, and working together to reach new goals. We believe in our children and we want to give them every opportunity to be successful in all they do. Thank you for partnering with us to support them in their learning journey, by making sure they are at school each day, talking to them about their day at school, and reading with them for at least 20 minutes each day at home. It will be a great year!

Mrs. Hoskins

COMMUNICATION

Communication is a key piece to keeping all stakeholders informed and DuPont Elementary wants to make sure that you always have access to the information you need. There are many ways to communicate with DuPont Elementary. You may call, email, set up a conference time with your child's teacher, call our principal, Mrs. Hoskins, or call or email our School Improvement Team Facilitator, Tricia Judkins at (615) 847-7305, tricia.judkins@mnps.org.

Also, the Bulldog Bulletin, our website, and teacher newsletters are a few of the great ways to keep informed. Parents have also requested that information be sent home via email and using our call-out system and some of our teachers use the "Remind" app or similar ones. In order for this to be successful, please make sure that we always have your most up to date email and phone number that you would like us to use. If yours changes, simply send a note in with your child or email your child's teacher.

Let's help each other stay connected!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS AT DUPONT ELEMENTARY

Absenteeism in the first month of school can predict poor attendance throughout the school year. Half the students who miss 2-4 days in August go on to miss nearly a month of school. We want to partner with you to help support your student's attendance any way we can, so please reach out to our attendance team (below) as needed:

Attendance Secretary: Leslie Hart, 615-650-6842, leslie.hart@mnps.org

School Counselor: Katie Criss, 615-847-7305, caitlin.criss@mnps.org

Community Coordinator: Savannah McKinnie, 615-844-0129, savannah.mckinnie@mnps.org

School Nurse: Christy Twining 615-847-7305, christy.twining@nashville.gov

Principal: Stephanie Hoskins, 615-847-7305, stephanie.hoskins@mnps.org

CHICK-FIL-A

Our Chick-fil-A Spirit Day will be Monday, September 18th. This year Chick-fil-A is only accepting **Mobile Orders** for school fundraising events. When you place your order **on the app**, you will choose the Spirit Day button and use code **DUP18** in order for the school to receive credit. A flyer with instructions will be sent home!

BULLDOG PRIDE

Bulldog Pride is our School Wide Behavior Plan. Our plan has 3 school wide rules:

1. Be Safe.
2. Be Respectful.
3. Be Responsible.



Public Notice / Accessibility Statement



To request an accommodation please contact your building principal or department head. (Interpreters for the deaf or hard of hearing must be requested forty-eight [48] hours prior to the event.) [Stephanie Hoskins, Principal 847-7305]

CAR RIDER DROP OFF/PICK-UP



For the safety of all of our students, please remember that students in grades K-5th must be dropped off and picked up in the circle drive on the side of the school on Merritt Street. Please have your new student car tag hanging from your rearview mirror at pick-up to help teachers locate cars quickly. If you need a new one, let your teacher know and we will get one to you! No one is to be dropped off on Livingston Street or Ninth Street. IT IS NOT SAFE!

Again, for the safety of all of our students, please do not drop your child off before the doors are scheduled to open. There is no one to watch your children and it is not safe! Our doors open at 7:45 a.m. Let's all work together in keeping our children safe everyday!



TITLE I NEWS

Title I information was shared on August 10th. If you missed the information or would like more information, the full Title I PowerPoint is located on our website under "Families" and "Documents." There will also be Title I News posted on our monthly Bulldog Bulletins.

DuPont Elementary is a Title I school and receives federal funding based on the number of Free or Reduced Lunch students at our school the previous year. Last year, parents voted through a survey to use the funding school wide so that all children at DuPont will benefit from these funds. DuPont Elementary is a Safe School and all of our teachers are certified as Highly Qualified.

STUDENT PACKETS

Parents received several pieces of information in the 1st Day Student Packet (hard copies) and by email. If you haven't filled out permission forms online or by hard copy, please be sure to get that done.

Student-Parent Handbook: Permission forms are available online. Visit our [Permissions Portal](#) to fill out and submit required forms. Once submitted online, parents/guardians who want to make changes must contact their child's school. You can also visit www.mnps.org and click on the *Students and Families* tab.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

PreK

Charles M.
Kristian B.

Kindergarten

Merritt L.
Avery D.
Julianna F.

1st Grade

Henry Q.
Kyler W.
Ava B.

2nd Grade

Aria M.
Jadon D.
Shanelle T.

3rd Grade

Asa M.
Rylie B.
Sadie B.

4th Grade

Levi G.
Olivia C.
Asher S.

5th Grade

Brenda J.
Marshun R.
Joey C.

Dates to Remember

September

1st Stockpiled Day/No School
4th Labor Day/No School
5th Progress Reports
14th No School/Professional Development

18th College Week Begins
Chick-fil-A Spirit Night (Hermitage)
27th District Benchmarks (3rd-5th)
29th Career Day

October

4th Walk to School Day
5th End of 1st Quarter
6th No School/Professional Development
9th Fall Break Begins (9th-13th)
17th Fall Picture Retakes

20th Bulldog Run
24th Report Cards
26th Math Night
27th Parent Conferences

"Research shows that the more involved a parent is in their child's school, the more successful their child will be."