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Welcome to Freedom Park School!

Title I Building Parent Capacity Session:
Get to Know Your Child's School

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Staff

- ▶ Corinna Hensley - Guidance Secretary and Enrollment Specialist
- ▶ Amanda Burgess - Administrative Assistant
- ▶ Kayla Mullen - Registrar (Infinite Campus)
- ▶ Tonya Jones - Bookkeeper (MySchoolBucks, Payments)
- ▶ Pamela Alridge - Guidance Counselor
- ▶ Kalpurina Summers - Guidance Counselor

Available Services/Resources

- Early Intervention Program
- Special Education Services (Academic, Speech, Occupational)
- Eagle's Nest (School supplies, clothes, food, instructional resources to be checked out)

Communication

- Class DoJo
- Freedom Park Website
- Weekly News You Can Use Call
- Marquee

Connections/Specials

- Physical Education
- Music
- Computer Education
- Spanish
- Art

Morning Intake

- School Hours 7:25 AM -2:15 PM.
- Students may begin entering the building at 6:50 AM.
- School begins promptly at 7:25 AM.
- All car riders will enter through the side door by the cafeteria on the 42nd street entrance. Please be reminded that the rear of the school is solely for students who will be dropped off through the car line for the safety of all. If you would like to escort your child to the building, please use the 44th Street entrance that has been designated for Parent Walk Up.
- The 44th street entrance is designated for bus riders and parent drop off. If you elect to use parent drop off, you will park in a parking space and escort your child to the front sidewalk. Students may not be dropped off in the parking lot to walk to the building unaccompanied by an adult.
- Students must arrive by 7:20 AM in order to eat breakfast to allow them to eat breakfast and get to class to begin their day of learning.
- Students must be signed in by a parent if they arrive after 7:30 AM.

Dismissal

- Students are not dismissed from the front office after 1:45 PM. Please plan accordingly.
- Dismissal will begin at 2:10 PM.
- All car riders must display the car tag with your child's number. Please remain in your vehicle.
- Parent Walk Up Students are dismissed from the main gym. Please present your identification card when coming to pick your child up.
- If your child will be dismissed in a different way than how they normally go home, please send a note to your child's teacher or a message via Class DoJo.
- *Changes in dismissal cannot be taken over the phone.
- Students who go to CYS are escorted to the facility by CYS Staff.

Student Attendance

- Students are encouraged to come to school each day and remain for the entire day. Please make appointments after school when possible.
- If your child is absent, please send a note or doctor's excuse when they return.
- Parents are permitted to write a note to excuse up to five (5) days absence.

Cell phones and Electronic Communication Devices

- The use of cell phones, electronic communication devices and/or accessories is prohibited for all students at all times during the instructional day.
- Students should keep their cell phones and/or electronic communication devices in their backpacks during the school day, turned off and/or on silent.

Visitors

- We love our visitors here at Freedom Park! In an effort to ensure the safety of students and staff, visitors are asked to adhere to the following expectations:
- Go to the front office, sign in upon arrival and obtain permission to be on campus.
- Visitors are considered role models and are expected to be appropriately and modestly dressed and to display respect for activities in progress at the school. Visitors should conduct themselves in a manner that is not disruptive to the educational environment.
- All visitors are expected to abide by the general rules of the school, any applicable provisions of the Code of Student Conduct and Discipline shall comply at all times while on Board property with Board of Education policies and procedures.
- Visitors shall maintain the integrity of student confidentiality policies. Any school matters overheard or observed shall remain in the school, and any concerns should be discussed with the principal or an administrator.
- Visitors are not permitted to remove students from the classrooms or other school activities without the direct permission of the administrator.
- Visitors shall sign out and notify the administrative office that the visit is concluded.

Communication and Conferences

- ▶ We use the following methods to communicate with families:
 - ▶ Class DoJo- Reminders, upcoming events and pictures of our students in action
 - ▶ Infinite Campus- Weekly calls and emails; in the event of an emergency this will primarily be used to communicate with families
 - ▶ Facebook - share upcoming events and pictures of our students and staff in action.
- ▶ All teachers are required to correspond with parents via Class Do Jo and their work email address.
- ▶ Conferences are held in the Fall and Spring of each school year. You are welcome to request a conference at any time.

School Liaison Officers

Ms. Cynthia Bishop
Ms. Melissa Stovall

What do they do?

- ▶ Serve as the primary advisor to the Commander on matters relating to schools
- ▶ Build relationships and facilitate communication among the Command, Army Families, and the local school community
- ▶ Inform and assist parents with school transition and deployment challenges
- ▶ Facilitate access to homeschool resources for parents
- ▶ Establish school and community partnerships
- ▶ Provide information about college and other post-secondary opportunities and preparation materials

Military and Family Life Counseling Program

Ms. Brooke Gadson

Ms. Tonya Patterson

Who are the counselors?

- Licensed counselors specializing in child and youth behavioral issues
- Available at no cost to assist children and youth, parents, family members and staff of child and youth programs
- Available to provide short-term, non-medical counseling support

Military and Family Life Counseling Program

How do the counselors make a difference?

- ▶ Engaging in activities with children and youth
- ▶ Providing behavioral interventions in classrooms, at camps and in Child Development Centers to assist staff in setting and managing boundaries
- ▶ Modeling behavioral techniques and providing feedback to staff
- ▶ Being available to parents and staff to discuss interactions with children and other concerns
- ▶ Facilitating psycho-educational groups

Issues Addressed By the Counselors

- ▶ School Adjustment
- ▶ Deployment and separation
- ▶ Reunion adjustment
- ▶ Sibling and parent-child communication
- ▶ Behavioral Concerns
- ▶ Fear, grief and loss