

JULIA P. BRYANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FAMILY GUIDE



2026-2027

The JPB Family Guide highlights school-specific operating procedures and is a supplement to the Bulloch County Schools Student Handbook. The BCS Student Handbook can be found online at <https://www.bulloch.k12.ga.us/family-services/bulloch-county-schools-student-handbook>.

We ask that you discuss this information with your student(s) and contact one of our administrators if you have any questions.

Thank you for being part of the JPB community and working with us for a successful school year!

General Information

OFFICE HOURS: 7:20 AM-3:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONAL DAY: 7:50 AM -2:10 PM

MORNING ARRIVAL: 7:20-7:45 AM

TARDY BELL: 7:50 AM

*Students are tardy if they are not in their homeroom when the tardy bell rings. To ensure the safety of our students, an adult must walk tardy students to the front office to check them in. Students should not be dropped off alone in the front of the building to check themselves in when they are late.

EARLY DISMISSAL: Ends at 2:00 PM

*Must have photo identification to check out a student **AND** be on the contact list approved for pick-up in Infinite Campus

BUS DISMISSAL: Pre-K & K: 2:10 PM, 1ST-5TH: 2:15 PM

CAR RIDER DISMISSAL: 2:20-2:45 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: 421 West Main Street, Statesboro, GA 30458

Phone: 912-212-8680

Fax: 912-212-8699

Website: <https://jpbes.bulloch.k12.ga.us/>

Facebook Page: [Julia P. Bryant Elementary School](#)

Core Values

- Building Positive Relationships (Respectful)
- Taking Ownership (Responsible)
- Demonstrating Growth & Perseverance (Ready to Learn)

Vision

The vision of JPB is to foster a culture of independent learners who become well-rounded members of our community and thrive in all aspects of their lives.

Mission

The mission of JPB is to prepare students for success and to enhance community value.



Bears G.R.O.W.L with success at JPB!

Give Respect

Rise to Responsibility

Own Your Choices

Work Hard

Learn and Grow

KEY CONTACTS

Principal Stephanie Compton Assistant Principals Noel Nafziger 3-5 & Buses Derek Noel PK-2 School Counselors Audrey Gray 3-5 Carrie Feltman PK-2 504 & MTSS Coordinator Missy Jordan Special Education Coordinator Carrie Beecher	Family Engagement Specialist/Volunteer Coordinator Alicia Trejo Administrative Assistant Catherine Colson Data Clerk/Registrar Rae "Lynn" Fail School Nurse Rayza Forney Cafeteria Manager Takesha Collins
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26-27 JPB PTO Executive Board

President: Hayley Jarriel

Vice President: Jenny Brenner

Secretary: Whitney Lavoie

Treasurer: Megan Blanchard

Email: jpbpto@gmail.com

Facebook: [Julia P. Bryant Elementary PTO](#)

ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS AND EXCUSES

Student attendance is an important factor of academic success. In Bulloch County Schools, we “strive for five” or fewer absences each school year. Students who meet this goal are recognized at the school level. Students are absent if they arrive after 11:10 AM or go home before 11:10 AM. Students are tardy if they are not in their homeroom by 7:50 AM. We ask that you contact the school if your child is absent for two or more consecutive days. Children who are absent for ten consecutive days are automatically withdrawn from school based on state policies for attendance.

Follow the guidance below for submitting excuses for absences.

- Parents/guardians can write notes to excuse up to 6 absences per year.
- Absences beyond 6 will require a doctor’s note or additional documentation.
- Submit an excuse using this [online form](#) found at the top of the JPB and BCS webpages or send in a written parent note or doctor’s note.
 - Please note that emails, phone calls, text or ClassDojo messages do not meet the requirements of a written excuse.
- Notes must be submitted within five days of the student returning to school.

MISSED ASSIGNMENTS

Teachers will assist students with missed assignments when they return from being absent. Students have access to iReady and other academic resources through their Classlink accounts at home they may use if they are well enough to complete school work. If a doctor’s note requires a student to be out for an extended period, contact your child’s teacher and allow 48 hours for work to be collected and brought to the front office for pick-up. Work will not be provided in advance for students who miss school due family vacations or other engagements.

EARLY DISMISSAL

Early check outs end at 2:00 PM. If your child needs to leave school early due to an unavoidable appointment, please make sure you arrive at the front office by 2:00 PM. The adult checking out the student must show their photo ID and be on the student’s approved check-out list.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

Breakfast: Free to all students

- Grab and go stations available each morning
- Breakfast is eaten in the classroom

Lunch: Free to all students

- All grade levels have a 25 minute lunch time daily in the cafeteria
- Students may eat school lunch for free or bring a lunch from home
- We ask families not to send the following items for lunch:
 - Fast food (okay if you are eating with your child during a lunch visit but not for daily drop off)
 - Soft drinks or energy drinks
 - Food that needs to be heated (it is okay to send heated food in thermoses or other methods that are student managed-no access to microwaves for student meals at school)

Menus are developed by the BCS Nutrition Services and posted monthly on the BCS website using [Mealviewer](#).

SCHOOL RECORDS/PARENT PORTAL UPDATES

Parents and guardians must complete an annual update for each child they have enrolled in Bulloch County Schools at the beginning of each school year. This is done using Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

Please be aware that JPB school staff are not able to update or change family information in this system. However, we are happy to assist you if you need help. Please contact our front office if you need help. If you do not have wifi access or an electronic device to complete this information, we have registration computers available in our reception area you may use.

The information provided in this update is used by our school staff to keep your child safe. Parents and guardians should keep this information up-to-date throughout the school year and ensure we have current phone numbers and addresses, emergency contacts, and the names of adults who have permission to pick your child(ren) up from school.

For families who have parenting plans and custody agreements, court documentation must be on file. The school administration must be notified immediately of any changes to the agreement on file.

If there is any reason an adult other than who is listed in Infinite Campus needs to pick up your child, you must send a signed and dated note to the front office with this information. The adult will also need to show photo identification once they arrive at school.

TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM SCHOOL

Transportation Changes

Student dismissal is based on the information provided by the parent or guardian at the start of the school year. Any change to this decision must be made in writing by sending a note to the office or submitting a transportation change request online using the form on our school website. All transportation change requests must be received by 1:00 PM to ensure the change is received by the teacher before afternoon dismissal begins. For emergencies, please contact a school administrator at 912-212-8680 for assistance. [Click here](#) for the transportation change link.

Bus Riders

Bus transportation is provided to all students who live within the Julia P. Bryant Elementary School zone. Routes and pick-up/drop-off times are established by the Bulloch County Schools Transportation Office. Students in pre-k, kindergarten, and first grade are required to have a completed Young Rider Form in order to ride the bus in the afternoons. All students who ride the bus are expected to follow the student code of conduct to ensure safe travels to and from school each day.

BCS Transportation Office Phone Number: 912-212-8640

Morning Park and Walk Procedures

- Enter the grass parking lot from West Main Street
- Follow staff members directions to safely move through the back crosswalk
- Adults must escort their student(s) to the front door, not just the crosswalk, when using the park and walk option

*Please note there is not an afternoon walk-up option for our families. If you have an extenuating circumstance, contact a school administrator.

Car Rider Drop-off and Pick-up Procedures

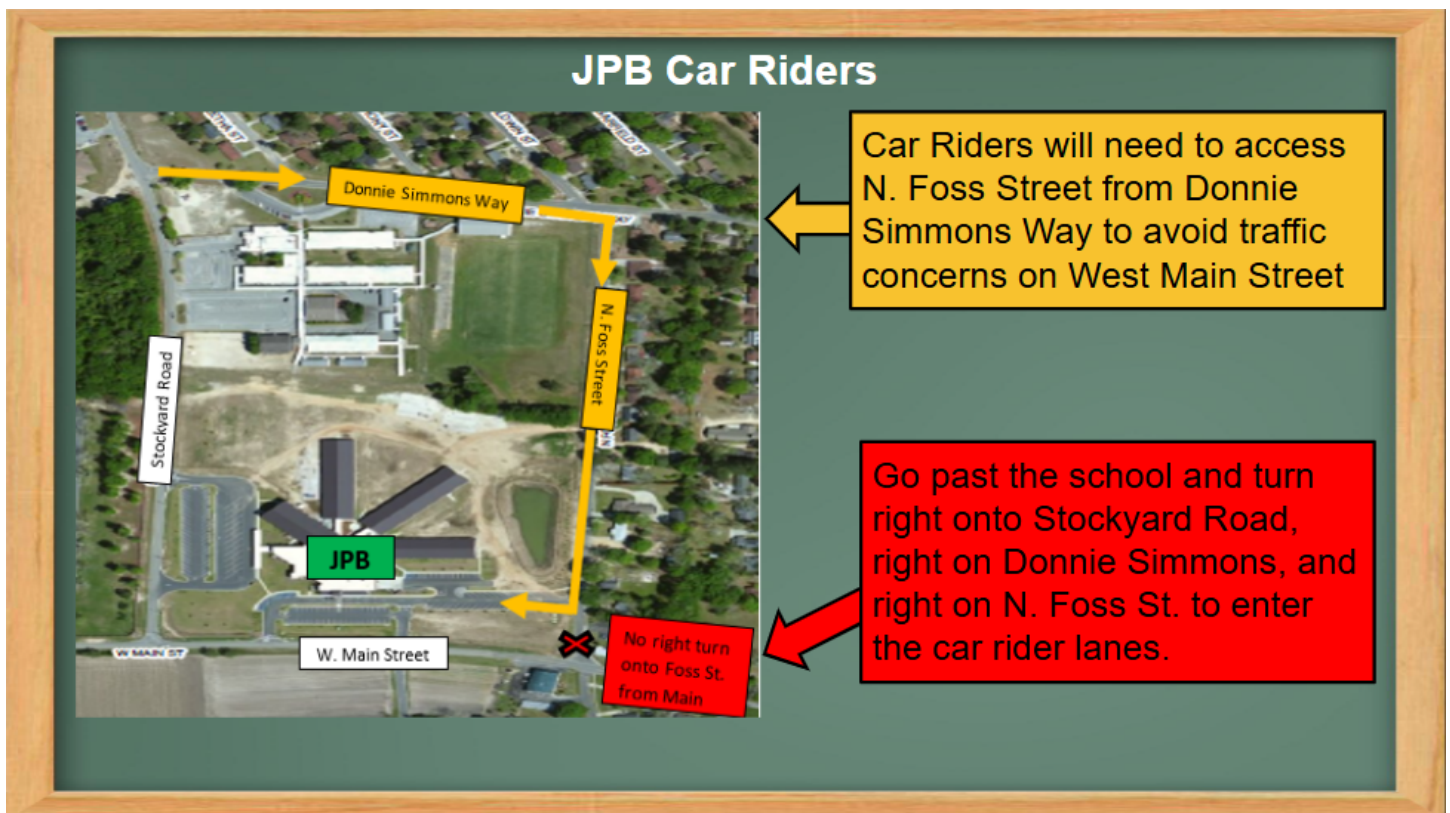
Please follow the established car rider traffic pattern of entering the car rider lanes by making a right turn from Foss Street. Cars attempting to make a left turn into the car rider lanes will be re-routed. All families must have a car rider tag displayed from their rearview mirror for pick-up. If you need additional tags or a replacement, contact our school secretary, Mrs. Colson at cacolson@bullochschools.org.

Morning Drop-Off: 7:20-7:45 AM

- Use both lanes and stop as directed by staff members
- Have your child ready to exit on the passenger side of the vehicle
- Instruct your child to wait to exit the vehicle until school staff or safety patrol arrives to open the door---this is extremely important when using the outside lane

Afternoon Pick-up 2:20-2:40 PM

- Have car rider tag visible from your rearview mirror
 - If you do not have a car rider tag, you will need to show photo identification and may be asked to wait in a designated area while we verify you are clear to pick up the requested student.
- Enter car rider lanes by making a right turn from Foss Street
- JPB staff will escort children to their cars in groups of 16 cars at a time (8 in each lane). To expedite this process, do not change lanes after your number has been recorded by our staff members.
- Remain in your vehicle and a staff member will bring your student(s) to your car.
- Staff members will dismiss one lane at a time after all students have safely entered the vehicles
- Families who are late three or more times will be required to meet with a school administrator to figure out different transportation arrangements.



ACADEMICS

Grading

Bulloch County Schools uses a continuous grade book. This means the final report card grade is not based on the averaging of averages from each quarter, but rather averages of the individual assignments weighted by category type throughout an entire school year. Elementary numeric grades are only reported for language arts and math in 1st-5th grades. All other subject areas (science, social studies, reading, and specials classes) are graded using a 1-4 scale.

Grading Score Types & Scale (Grades 1-5)

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Grading Type</u>	<u>Scale</u>
English Language Arts & Math (Grades 3-5)	Numeric • Major 60% • Minor 40% • Practice 0%	A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 F=69 & lower
English Language Arts & Math (Grades 1-2) <i>*Retests occur for priority standards that do not repeat in ELA/Math</i>	Numeric • Minor 100% • Practice 0%	A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 F=69 & lower
Reading, Science & Social Studies (Grades 1-5)	1-4 Scale	1=Unsatisfactory 2=Needs Improvement 3=Satisfactory 4=Excellent
Specials: Art, Music, STEM, & Physical Education (Grades K-5)	1-4 Scale	1=Unsatisfactory 2=Needs Improvement 3=Satisfactory 4=Excellent
<u>Please Note:</u> Teachers monitor kindergarten student progress based on GKIDS (Georgia Kindergarten Inventory of Developing Skills). This information is reported quarterly and sent home using an ESGI report. Kindergarten students will also have a progress report to record their grades for specials classes. They do not receive report card grades in English Language Arts, Math, Science, or Social Studies.		

Progress Reports/Final Report Card

Parents are encouraged to check your student's grades on Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Teachers update grade books weekly starting in September. Quarterly progress reports will be posted to IC Parent Portal according to the schedule below. Teachers may ask parents to sign and confirm they have reviewed their child's grades at least quarterly.

- Quarter 1: October 9, 2026
- Quarter 2: January 8, 2027
- Quarter 3: March 26, 2027
- Quarter 4: May 27, 2027*Final report card sent home with students.

Paper copies of progress reports will not be sent home unless requested by the parent/guardian. Paper copies of final report cards will be sent home with all students on the last day of school.

Homework

Your child's teacher may assign homework to provide extra practice on skills and standards. The amount of homework will be appropriate for the age of the student. Homework will not be given on Fridays, weekends, or during scheduled breaks. Homework provides extra practice and teaches independent study skills. Every student is encouraged to engage in at least 20 minutes of reading practice each night. This can be a story read to them by another member of the household, reading to others, or reading to self. Parents are encouraged to impress upon their child the importance of completing work.

Honor Roll

Elementary honor roll calculations are only computed in grades 3, 4 and 5. Honor roll is not calculated in grades K-2. Elementary specials (Art, Music, PE, and STEM), reading, science, and social studies will not count toward Honor Roll or Principal's Honor Roll calculations.

- **Honor Roll** (grades 3-5) shall be awarded when the non-rounded average of all numeric grades is **90 or above**.
- **Principal's Honor Roll** (grades 3-5) shall be awarded when the non-rounded average of all numeric grades is **95 or above**.

Honors Day

- K-2 Students have end of year classroom celebrations in their classrooms. They do not participate in Honors Day. Dates for celebrations are posted on our school website.
- 3rd and 4th grade students will receive an invitation to an Honors Day event held at JPB on the last day of school. This event begins at 10:30am. Only students who are receiving awards are recognized during this event.
- 5th grade students will have a special ceremony on the last day of school. All 5th grade students are recognized at this event and all families are invited to attend. No invitation is sent for this event. The celebration begins at 8:30am with a 5th grade walk around the school and culminates in the cafeteria/stage area for a moving up and awards ceremony.

Field Trips

Field trips are offered to students as an extension of the curriculum. All field trips, with the exception of QUEST, are free of charge for all students. The Kiwanis Club, Georgia Southern, and Bulloch County Schools fund Project Eaglet field trips each year for students in grades 1st-5th. The JPB PTO provides funding each year to cover the cost of additional field trips for our students in grades K-5. We are very fortunate to have their support.

Please review the information below regarding field trips.

- All students must ride the bus to the field trip destination.
- Each venue decides if additional guests can join our school team on field trips. If the venue has room for additional guests, legal parents/guardians are welcomed to accompany their child's class on field trip. They must be registered as a volunteer in order to attend.
 - Siblings cannot attend the trip with the class
 - Parent/guardians can follow the bus or meet the class at the venue
 - Parent/guardians are responsible for paying any admission or parking fees directly to the field trip venue
 - Parent/volunteers are not invited to Project Eaglet Field Trips
- No student will be denied participation in a field trip except in severe cases where behavior concerns present a safety risk or if a sign permission slip is not returned.
- Legal parent/guardian may check their child out from their teacher at the field trip site for early dismissal

STUDENT BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS)

Julia P. Bryant Elementary School uses positive reinforcements and proactive strategies to maintain a safe and engaging school environment for all of our students. Our student discipline process includes celebrations for excellent behavior and consequences to help teach expected behaviors when students struggle to do so. JPB teaches and models expected behaviors referred to as the "JPB Way" throughout the school year. Our staff also begins each day with a morning meeting to ensure all students get their day off to a positive start.

JPB Bears are...

1. **Respectful** - This means that students show kindness and appreciation toward others, keep their hands, feet, and objects to themselves; use appropriate body language and gestures; and use an appropriate voice level and tone when talking.
2. **Responsible** - This means that students keep their area clean; have the materials needed for class each day; complete all classwork assignments in a timely manner; ask for help when they need it, and take ownership of their actions.
3. **Ready to Learn** - This means that students follow adult directions the first time they are given, try their hardest in class each day (even when it is difficult); and pay attention and help others to do the same by not causing distractions to the learning environment.

Bears G.R.O.W.L with success at JPB!

Give Respect

Rise to Responsibility

Own Your Choices

Work Hard

Learn and Grow

JPB House System

We are excited to introduce a new House system at JPB this year. While we are still ONE Bear Nation (4 Houses 1 Heart), our goal is to create a sense of belonging, community, and excitement for coming to school each day by having all of our students and staff participate in a smaller house community. Students have the opportunity to earn points for their Houses daily when a faculty or staff member catches them modeling the JPB Way!

			
House Kodiak Traits: Leadership & Integrity Color: Yellow Motto: "Lead with Purpose, Walk with Pride"	House Grizzly Traits: Courage & Resilience Color: Red Motto: "Brave Hearts, Strong Minds"	House Panda Traits: Kindness & Harmony Color: Green Motto: "United in Friendship, Stronger Together"	House Polar Traits: Perseverance & Adaptability Color: Blue Motto: "Cool Minds, Unstoppable Spirit"

Behavior Celebrations

JPB students can earn House points daily for showing respectful, responsible, and ready to learn behavior. Families can also help earn points for their child(ren)'s houses by attending select JPB events. Staff also select students each week to be recognized for academic and/or good behavior with our Brainy Bear and Golden Bear slips. Students for both awards receive a small prize such as a visit to our book vending machine or other token of appreciation. The students' pictures are also shared in the principal's weekly memo shared via ClassDojo. Additionally, we hold monthly House meetings and quarterly House assemblies to celebrate our students' accomplishments.

- JPB House Banner-Each Monday students will see the banner of the House who earned the most points from the previous week hanging in our common area for all to see. Points are cumulative for the year as each House is competing to earn the JPB House Cup at the end of the school year.
- Brainy Bears-On Mondays we recognize students who have met academic goals by awarding them with a Brainy Bear slip and recognizing them on the morning announcements.
- Golden Bears-Each Friday students who have been selected for demonstrating the 3 R's of JPB are given a Golden Bear slip and have their name called out on the morning announcements.

Behavior Consequences

Our school staff follow the BCS District Student Code of Conduct and adheres to the Georgia DOE behavior guidelines when handling discipline matters. This information can be found on the Bulloch County Schools website. Pre-k discipline procedures are based on Georgia Bright from the Start guidelines.

Teachers communicate their grade level behavior management plans through information sent home at the beginning of the school year as well as weekly newsletters.

If a student receives an office referral for a behavior infraction, the parent/guardian will be notified by a school administrator. Our assistant principals handle behavior referrals and student conduct investigations, including bullying allegations. Their contact information is below.

- Mr. Noel Nafziger (nnafziger@bullochschools.org): Bus Referrals and 3rd-5th Grade School Discipline
- Mr. Derek Noel (drnoel@bullochschools.org): Pre-K-2nd Grade School Discipline

If expectations are not followed, consequences are issued according to the severity of the behavior. Possible discipline consequences include but are not limited to:

- Warning/Counsel: School administrators will hold a conference with a child to discuss the discipline referral, complete a reflection, and make a plan to correct the behavior.
- Opportunity Room: Teachers may send students to the opportunity room up to 30 minutes at a time to complete assignments and regain composure following a classroom infraction or disruption. This consequence is teacher managed and is an attempt to keep a student from getting an office referral.
- Time-Out: The student may be removed from class, recess, lunch, or specials for a portion of the day.
- In-School Suspension (ISS): The student remains at school in a designated area away from their peers and outside of their regular classroom to complete school

assignments. They are supervised by a paraprofessional and given assistance with school work as needed.

- **Out-of-School Suspension (OSS):** Students are sent home and suspended from returning to school. When a student is assigned OSS, they are not allowed on school property until their suspension period has ended. Students may also be suspended from riding a school bus when safety is compromised. Parent/guardian conferences may also be required by administration prior to a child returning to school from a suspension.

Dress Code

The school administration has final decision over issues specific to dress code. Any student violating the dress code must modify the infraction at the request of the administrator or designee. Please refer to the Bulloch County Student Handbook for dress code guidelines.

Electronic Devices-HB 340 Distraction Free Learning Environment

Personal Electronic Devices: HB 340 prohibits students from accessing (holding, wearing, carrying, or using) personal electronic devices during the instructional day. This includes cell phones, smartwatches, Meta glasses, earbuds, gaming devices, etc. We ask students to leave these items at home, or to contact a school administrator to make a plan for storage during the school day if you feel your child needs to carry a personal electronic device to school. Students who intentionally violate this expectation will have their device confiscated and brought to the office to be picked up by an adult. Repeated violations will result in discipline write-ups and consequences.

Unapproved Items

Items that could pose safety hazards, classroom distractions, or supervision problems on the playground are not allowed at school. In addition to the items listed in the Bulloch County School Handbook, **JPB does not allow personal toys, collector cards, gadgets, blankets, snuggies, or other items that could be a safety concern or distraction** at school unless there is a special event or activity where a teacher has requested these items. The school is not responsible for stolen, lost, or damages to items brought to school by students. **We ask that our families help us maintain a safe and distraction-free learning environment by monitoring the items that students take to school each day.**

SCHOOL SAFETY

Our campus utilizes the following protocols to keep our campus safe and secure.

- Full time SRO-Officer Cas Boean patrols JPB's campus throughout the school day
- Interior classroom doors are kept locked throughout the school day
- Only one exterior door is kept open during the school day for entry into our front lobby
- Visitors only have access to our front lobby upon entrance to the building until they are checked in by our front office staff
- All campus visitors must present photo identification upon arrival and are screened before entry is allowed
- All faculty and staff are issued badges where they can alert administrators for assistance or lockdown our school for safety at the click of a button
- Monthly safety drills are conducted to practice our school safety protocols for fire, severe weather, or lockdowns

STUDENT HEALTH

JPB has a full time registered nurse on staff to provide care to our students. She operates her clinic according to [Bulloch County Schools](#) protocols. If you are sent home from school by the nurse due to illness, the absence will be coded as "NUR" and no parent or doctor note is necessary for this day or other days the nurse has advised you keep your child at home. Please reach out to our school nurse Rayza Forney with any questions you may have.

First Aid

The nurse will provide care to students who visit the clinic during the school day and will determine the proper course of action to keep our students well. If the nurse determines that a child needs to be sent home, the parent will be notified and expected to arrange pick-up for the student within 60 minutes of the call.

Fever

Any child with a fever of 100.4F or above should stay home until they are fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.

Medication

All medication given at school must be administered by the school nurse or his/her designee. Parents/guardians are required to fill out an Authorization of Medication Administration or Health Procedure/Treatment Form that will be kept on file in the nurse's office. If your child needs to carry an inhaler or epipen, a special form must be completed by you and your child's healthcare provider prior to your child carrying this medical device. Please contact our school nurse for more information.

Vomiting

A child who is experiencing episodes of vomiting should be kept from school until 24 hours after the episodes have stopped. Students who vomit during the school day will be sent home. They should not return until the vomiting has subsided for at least 24 hours.

HOME-SCHOOL CONNECTIONS

Lunch Guests

We enjoy lunchtime visitors at JPB! Parents and guardians are welcome to eat lunch with your child during their scheduled lunch period beginning September 15, 2026. Please follow the expectations below to help us maintain a safe and secure campus for our students, staff, and guests.

- Sign in at the front office with your photo identification and wear your visitor's sticker while on campus.
- Lunch guests must be listed in the emergency contacts section of your child's Infinite Campus account so we know they are approved visitors. If you have a special guest that is not listed, a signed note must be sent in by the parent/guardian on the day they plan to have lunch with your child.
- Eat with your child at the designated tables during their scheduled lunch time.
 - We will not pull siblings to join you for lunch outside of their scheduled lunch time.
- We ask that you help us maintain an electronics free learning environment while on our campus and keep your cell phone and other electronics off and out of sight while on campus. This includes taking calls, photographs, or videos of our school campus and anyone who is not the child you are not the legal parent/guardian during the regular school day.

Parties and Celebrations

Classroom parties and celebrations will be determined by the classroom teacher. These events are limited to protect instructional time. Parents may be asked to assist with the organization

and implementation of celebratory events. Parents are asked not to send food or snacks to school without first contacting the classroom teacher to ensure we are attending to medical allergy needs of all students in the class. If you are interested in assisting with classroom celebrations, please contact your child's teacher.

Birthday Celebrations

Parents may coordinate with your child's teacher to send in a store bought snack that can be distributed during lunch to celebrate your child's birthday. The snack will be passed out by a JPB staff member. Students are not able to receive deliveries at school such as balloons, flowers, cakes/cookies, or other celebration items. Party invitations can only be distributed at school if one is given to every student in the class. Birthday parties are not permitted at school.

Visitors

For safety and security purposes, the only visitors must enter through the front entrance and report to the main office upon arrival on campus. Bulloch County Schools have [Visitor Protocols](#) in place, and all schools use an electronic visitor check-in system, called *CheckMate*. All visitors are required to:

- Sign in at the main office and state the purpose of the visit (conference, lunch, attending a school day event, etc.). **AND**
- Present a photo identification card or driver's license to gain entry past the secured areas of our school. Administration/office staff will verify appointments or other reasons for visiting.
- Visitors are not allowed in the classroom for the purpose of observing student behavior or interactions.
- Wear a visitor's badge/sticker at all times while they remain in the school building or on school premises.
- Remain in approved areas only.
- Act in a manner appropriate for the safe functioning of the school environment. Visitors behaving inappropriately will be asked to leave and law enforcement may be notified.
- Return to the main office and check out when leaving the building.

Parents/guardians who are dropping off items for students should leave them with front office staff for delivery. Students will not be called out of class to collect the item personally.

Volunteers

WE LOVE VOLUNTEERS! Bulloch County Schools has two different volunteer levels-standard and authorized. No volunteers may film or photograph students.

- **Standard volunteers** want to help out but will not be in charge of supervising or working with students without JPB staff supervision. There is no background check required for this level of volunteer, however, there is a form to complete on the [Bulloch County Website](#). (*As of September 7, this form is under construction. Please use this [school-level form](#) at this time.)
- **Authorized volunteers** may take on roles such as tutoring, mentoring, or chaperoning a field trip that will require you to work with students without direct supervision from a JPB staff member. This level of volunteer requires a background check and the completion of the Authorized Volunteer Form. This information can be found [here](#).

Please reach out to your child's teacher or our JPB Volunteer Coordinator, Alicia Trejo, at atrejo@bullochcountyschools.org if you are interested in becoming a volunteer. You might also enjoy volunteering with our PTO. You can contact them by emailing jpbpto@gmail.com.

Communication

JPB uses the following methods to keep our families informed. While our staff will try to return your message (email, ClassDojo, phone, etc) as soon as possible, please allow up to 48 hours

for a response especially if your message is sent outside of working hours (7:15AM-3:15PM Monday-Friday).

- Infinite Campus Parent Portal
- Principal's Newsletter sent via ClassDojo on Sundays (The newsletter will not be sent during breaks or holiday weekends.)
- [School Webpage](#)
- [JPB School Facebook Page](#) (Our PTO has a separate Facebook page.)
- Daily/Weekly Communication Folders (Sent home with students in backpacks)
- Class Dojo
- One Call Now call outs for reminders and emergencies as needed
- Email (located on our school's website)

Conferences

Home-school communication is encouraged and important to the success of your student.

- Student-Led Conferences: Our school holds two student-led conferences each year for our K-5th students. At these events, your child will walk you through their goals, progress, and work samples. Teachers are on hand to answer questions and assist students as needed. They are not available for individual conferences during this time. Our students are proud to host their parents at these events which are held in the Fall and Spring semesters.
 - Our pre-k teachers will invite families in for conferences two times per year or once per semester.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences: Parents or teachers may request additional conferences at any time during the year to discuss a student's academic, behavioral, or social needs.
 - Teachers will contact parents at least two weeks in advance to request a conference. Notifications may be sent via note home, email, text, or phone call.
 - Parent conference requests should be made by contacting the teacher by note, email, Dojo text, or by leaving a phone message in the school office.
 - Please note that our teachers are responsible for instruction and supervision during the school day and are only available for conferences during their planning period or after school.
 - All parents/guardians are instructed to call in advance to schedule an appointment if a conference is needed as we are unable to accommodate drop-in appointments.

Feedback and Questions

We strive to create the best school community for our students and families and welcome your feedback and questions. If you have any questions or concerns, we ask that you discuss them with your child's homeroom teacher first. They can be contacted by email, ClassDojo, or by leaving a message for them with our front office staff at 912-212-8680. Please allow staff up to 48 hours to respond. Bus concerns should be discussed with assistant principal, Mr. Nafziger. The principal is available to address any concerns you may have.

NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Bulloch County School System does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, physical handicap, religion or age in employment practices or in admission to or participation in any educational programs or activities as required by the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Title II), Title VI of the Civil Rights Acts of 1964 (Title VI), and the Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX).