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2025 - 2026 Student Calendar



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Bradley Creek Procedures and Expectations

About us

We are a neighborhood school with a supportive and diverse school community. Our family atmosphere extends beyond the school day. We have a dedicated and positive staff that strive to meet the needs of each student while building character, excellence, and success.

Drop Off/Pick Up Procedures

Students can arrive as a bus rider, a car rider, or a biker/walker at 7:15 a.m. For the first two weeks of school, parents/guardians may escort their students to the classroom in the morning. **On September 8th, we ask that you say your goodbyes on the front porch or in the atrium.** This will allow students to walk to their classrooms independently.

Early Release

If you need to pick up your child early for any reason, please come to the office. The teacher will not release your child without approval from the office. Proper identification is required. **Early release must occur before 2:00p.m.**

A change in a student's dismissal must occur before 1:45pm. This is to ensure the safety of students at the end of the day.

Attendance

Students are expected to be in school and arrive on time. Upon return from an absence, please send a note to the teacher explaining the reason for the absence. A student must be present for half of the school's regular instructional day in order to be recorded as present for that day. The midpoint of the school day is 11:15am.

Below are valid/lawful excuses for temporary nonattendance:

- 1. Illness or injury
- 2. Quarantine
- 3. Death in the immediate family
- 4. Medical or dental appointments (note must be from the Doctor, no Parent note)
- 5. Court or administrative proceedings
- 6. Religious observances

- 7. Educational opportunity: When the absence is to take advantage of an extraordinary and valid educational opportunity, such as travel or experience that supports career and college ready skills, requests for excused educational opportunities may be submitted in writing, in advance of the opportunity. The request should include the learning objective of the opportunity, and describe how the objective links to coursework or educational development of the student. Such experiences may include cultural exposure or experiences with clear alignment to course content standards for elementary and middle school levels, or college tours. Approval for such an absence must be granted prior to the absence by the principal. General travel and family vacations will not be excused.
- 8. Absences related to deployment activities: A student whose parent/ legal guardian is an active duty member of the uniformed services and has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or combat support posting for the purpose of visiting said parent/ legal guardian. [NCGS 115C-407.5, current School Attendance and Student Accounting Manual Article V (E).]

Tardiness

Students arriving after 7:40 a.m. are tardy and should report to the office before going to class. <u>Any student arriving tardy **must** be signed in by a parent or guardian.</u> Excessive tardiness is unacceptable.

Behavior

As a school who embraces the Positive Behavior Intervention and Support Model, we have shared school wide expectations. Dynamic Dolphins use their FINS, which means we are <u>Friendly</u>, <u>In Charge of Ourselves</u>, <u>Noble</u>, and <u>Safe</u>. Specific behaviors are taught for each area of the school including the Cafeteria, Classroom, and Hallways. If students need help following the rules, they may receive interventions or consequences from a teacher, support staff member, or administrator.

School Bus

Riding the school bus is a privilege extended to students that can be taken away anytime for disruptive or abusive behavior. All students transported are under the authority of the bus driver. There are four basic rules that all students are expected to consistently follow:

- 1. Sit back in your assigned seat.
- 2. Keep your hands and feet to yourself.
- 3. Use appropriate language and a quiet voice.
- 4. Avoid eating, drinking, or chewing gum.

Community Eligibility Provision: Food Service

Students will continue to receive breakfast and lunch at no cost for the school year.

Medication

If your child should need medication during the school day, the Nurse must have a completed Physician's Authorization Form. All medication will be kept in the office. District policy prohibits school personnel from dispensing over-the-counter medication to students without a Physician's Authorization Form.

Homework/Classwork

Successful students are well organized. It is the student's responsibility to come prepared for class with the necessary supplies, homework, and appropriate attitude for learning. Each student needs a quiet, organized area for doing homework, supplemental reading, and studying. Please check your child's folder each evening for homework, returned classwork and any papers that need to be signed and returned.

Fire and Emergency Drills

When a signal is sounded, follow the directions given in the classroom. Students should line up quietly and leave the building quickly and quietly and walk in an orderly manner. At the end of the drill, students should quickly return to the classrooms by the same route.

Visitors and Volunteers

Parents are strongly encouraged to visit and volunteer at our school. Visitors and volunteers must check in with the staff in the front office upon arrival, sign in and obtain a visitor's sticker. All visitors are volunteers and must wear a sticker at all times and must check out through the office before leaving the school.

Lunch Visitor Procedures

We welcome you to have lunch with your child and understand that it is a great way for you to be involved with your child's daily school experience. Please allow your child to have time to learn our cafeteria procedures and adjust to our new schedule before your visits begin. This will also help reduce our beginning of year cafeteria delays. We welcome you to join us for lunch beginning the week of September 22nd. If your child's birthday falls during this time frame we will make an exception for that day.

Lunch Reminders

All visitors must check in at the office and get a visitor's badge. We ask that you wait in the atrium until your child's lunch time begins and then proceed to the cafeteria. Please say your "goodbyes" in the cafeteria and allow your student to return to class with the teacher. Visitors will return to the front office and sign out before exiting through the front door. You may not bring/share food for any students other than your own child/children.

Birthday/Celebration Procedures

A simple store bought individually wrapped treat may be brought in to celebrate your student's birthday. Please work out those details with your student's teacher. **Please do <u>not</u> bring/deliver presents, balloons, and/or flowers.**

Parent Involvement

The Bradley Creek parents are a vital component of the school partnership in educating our students. Parent volunteers help with school events, tutoring, special programs, as well as serve as Helping Hands and School Improvement Representatives. Please join our amazing Parent Teacher Association. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the school or contact one of the officers listed below.

Volunteer Orientations

In accordance with NHCS Schools Volunteer Policy (#9022), each year volunteers must attend a Volunteer Orientation if planning to assist at the school or chaperone a field trip. Volunteer orientation is done online on the New Hanover County Schools website.

Community Partnerships & Engagement - New Hanover County Schools

At Bradley Creek, we welcome and value our volunteers who provide assistance in the classroom and around the school performing duties such as helping the teacher with clerical duties and tutoring students, as well as copying, laminating, etc. Our volunteers also contribute thousands of hours helping with PTA fundraisers and programs.

Dress Code

Bradley Creek Elementary follows the NHCS student dress code. Students are expected to adhere to the standards of cleanliness and dress that are compatible with the requirements of a productive and safe school environment. Those standards generally acceptable to the community as appropriate in a public setting shall be the determining criteria governing student dress. A student's appearance, mode of dress, or condition of personal hygiene shall not be permitted to disrupt the educational process or constitute a threat to the health or safety of others. The principal may make reasonable accommodations to the Policy based on a student's religious beliefs or medical conditions. Therefore, the following rules shall be followed:

- The shoulder width of shirts or blouses must completely cover undergarments. No spaghetti strap tops, tube tops, or tank tops are allowed;
- Net shirts, bare midriffs, or other revealing attire are not acceptable; underwear shall not be revealed;
- Headgear, hats, or sunglasses are not to be worn in the building except for medical and/or safety reasons;
- Clothing, jewelry or buttons with letters, initials, symbols, or wording that is obscene, offensive, inflammatory, or detrimental to the instructional process are not allowed.
- Gang-related clothing, accessories, or symbols as identified by local law enforcement agencies will not be allowed;
- Clothing, jewelry, book bags or other items which are associated with intimidation, violence or violent groups, and about which students have been notified may not be worn;
- Leggings or other excessively tight fitting pants must be covered by a garment to the appropriate length. (The length of the garment shall cover the area to mid thigh); and
- Dresses, skirts, skorts, and similar garments must meet the same criteria as put forth above.
- For the safety of students, closed toed and closed back shoes are recommended each day. (ie: no flip flops, crocs, etc.)

Elementary School Principals may allow reasonable variations in determining whether the attire is school appropriate. When, in the judgment of the principal, a student's appearance violates the intent of this Policy, or the policy of a school which has established a standard dress code, the student will be required to make necessary modifications. Continued violations of the dress code policy shall result in an out of school suspension.



August 2025

Welcome Back Bradley Creek Dolphins; let's make this a great year!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Teacher Workday	16
17	18 Teacher Workday	19 Teacher Workday	20 Teacher Workday	21 Teacher Workday	22 Teacher Workday	23
31	Teacherschool Workday	26 First Day of School	27	28	29	30



September 2025

If you have had a change of address, phone number, or e-mail, please contact the school office immediately.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 No School Labor Day	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 Interim Reports	27
28	29	30				



October 2025

School website pages are kept up to date with important school information; additionally, the school's Facebook page is a wonderful place to find current information and event details. Please "Like us" on Facebook.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Teacher Workday	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 End of grading period	31 Teacher Workday	



November 2025

We are so thankful for our Dynamic Dolphins.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5 Report Cards	6	7	8
9	10	11 Veteran's Day No School	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Teacher Workday	27 No School Thanksgiving Break	28 No School Thanksgiving break	29
30						



December 2025

Enjoy Your Winter Break!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
10	11	12	13	14	15 Interim Reports	16
14	15	16	17	18	19 No School Winter Break	20
21	22 No School Winter Break	23 No School Winter Break	24 No School Winter Break	25 No School Winter Break	26 No School Winter Break	27
28	29 No School Winter Break	30 No School Winter Break	31 No School Winter Break			



January 2026

Welcome Back Bradley Creek Dolphins!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 New Year's Day No School	2 No School Teacher Workday	3
4	5 Student's Return	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 End of grading period	17
18	19 No School MLK Jr Holiday	22 No School Teacher Workday	21	22	23 Report Cards	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



February 2026

Reading is a passport to countless adventures!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 No School Teacher Workday	10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23		25 Interim Reports	26	27	28



March 2026

Help your child become a better writer by encouraging them to WRITE about what they READ!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3 No School Teacher Workday Election Day	4	5	6	7	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
15	16	17	18	19 End of grading period	20 No School Teacher Workday	21	
22	23	24	25 Report Cards	26	27	28	
29	30	31					



April 2026

Help keep our planet healthy! Reduce! Reuse! Recycle!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 No School Good Friday	4
5	6 No School Spring Break	7 No School Spring Break	8 No School Spring Break	9 No School Spring Break	10 No School Spring Break	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



May 2026

Testing Tip: Get plenty of sleep and eat a protein rich breakfast. Be on time and ready to show all that you have learned this school year!

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2
4 No School Teacher Workday	5	6	7 Interim Reports	8	9
11	12	13	14	15	16
18	19	20	21	22	23
25 Memorial Day No School	26	27	28	29	30
	4 No School Teacher Workday 11 18 25 Memorial Day	4 5 No School Teacher Workday 11 12 18 19 25 26 Memorial Day	4 5 6 No School Teacher Workday 11 12 13 18 19 20 25 26 27 Memorial Day	4 5 6 7 No School Teacher Workday 11 12 13 14 18 19 20 21 25 26 27 28 Memorial Day	4 5 6 7 8 No School Teacher Workday 13 14 15 11 12 13 14 15 18 19 20 21 22 25 26 27 28 29 Memorial Day 20 28 29



June 2026

Thank you for a GREAT school year! Have a happy and safe summer!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 Last day of School ½ day Noon dismissal	6
7	8 Teacher Work days	9 Teacher Work days	10 Teacher Work days	11 Teacher Work days	12	13
14 Happy Father's Day	15	16	17 Mail report cards	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				