

WELCOME TO BF NORTON



AUGUST 2024

MEET THE K TEACHERS AND STAFF



K-TEACHER
MISS CARR



K-TEACHER
MRS. FOGARTY



K-TEACHER
MRS. CHANG



SPECIAL EDUCATOR
MRS. DEMIRANDA



SPECIAL EDUCATOR
MRS. VIEIRA

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PRINCIPAL
MRS. LARIVIERE



ASST. PRINCIPAL
MRS. NORMAND



ADMINISTRATIVE ASST.
MRS. KISSIK



NURSE
MISS WHITNEY



SPEECH PATHOLOGIST
MRS. LYNCH

MORE PEOPLE TO MEET



- Jenn Vincent Rondeau- President
- Stephanie Ramirez-Vice-President
- Kim Nichols- Secretary
- Jessica Beland- PTO Treasurer and 2nd grade teacher
- Victoria Harmon/Deandre Moniz- Alphabest
- Roxanne Heikin -Cumberland School Volunteers

ARRIVAL



- School hours are 8:30am–2:55pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. **Early release on Wednesdays–1:55pm, starting on 9/11/24.**
- School doors open at 8:15am.
- Please don't drop students off prior 8:15am as staff are not available for supervision.
- Please note if your child arrives after 8:30am they will be considered tardy and you must come into the building to sign them in.
- The buses drop off at the door labeled C6.
- Kindergarten and grade 1 students who are walkers or car riders will line up at the door labeled A2.
- Students in grade 2 through 5 will line up at the bottom of the main entrance stairs labeled A1.

CAR-RIDERS ARRIVAL



- When dropping your child off in the morning please enter the property through the main driveway.
- Pull forward to the stop sign or directly behind the car in front of you. Please do not exit the vehicle.
- If your child needs assistance a staff member will help them.
- Please make sure your child is sitting on the right side of the vehicle so that they exit onto the curb and not into the driveway.
- When entering and leaving the driveway, due to heavy traffic, **right turn only is permitted.**

CAR-RIDERS DISMISSAL



- The back parking lot is used for dismissal.
- Cars are lined up in 2 lines forming a large open circle in the parking lot.
- Students will have an orange tag with their name printed on it.
- Please place the tag in the front windshield or where it is visible to staff.
- Students names will be called in groups and they will be escorted to the vehicles in their groups.
- When entering and leaving the driveway, due to heavy traffic, **right turn only is permitted.**

PARENT WALKER PICK-UP



- You will be given an orange tag with your child's name on. The person picking up should have this tag.
- Once pictures are completed you will receive a badge and the badge or the tag can be used.
- If more than one person picks up, Mrs. Kissik can make more tags or you can take a picture of the badge.
- Parents that are picking up walkers in grades kindergarten through 2 will line up on the walkway at the door labeled A2. Please do not block the sidewalk.
- If you have students in grades 3-5 they will come to the lower level for dismissal-door A1.

The logo for AlphaBEST EDUCATION is centered on the page. The word "AlphaBEST" is written in a bold, sans-serif font. "Alpha" is in dark blue, and "BEST" is in a lighter blue. Above the "A" in "Alpha" and the "E" in "BEST" are several yellow and orange stars of varying sizes, arranged in a slightly curved path. Below "AlphaBEST" is the word "EDUCATION" in a smaller, orange, all-caps, sans-serif font.

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EDUCATION

Alphabest uses the back door of the cafeteria for AM drop off and PM student pick up. Alphabest students will be dismissed when the bell rings to go to class or when called for dismissal.

SOFT START-TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD



- Students will participate in some play-based activities while teachers watch and mingle with them.
- There are 4 time slots. Please call Mrs. Kissik to schedule if you have not done so already.
- We may need to make roster changes after Soft Start but will call you if any changes are needed.



ATTENDANCE



Help Your Child Succeed in Preschool and Kindergarten Build the Habit of Good Attendance

DID YOU KNOW...

Showing up on time every day is important to your child's success and learning from preschool forward.

Missing 10% of school (1 or 2 days every few weeks) can make it harder to:

- Gain early reading and math skills.
- Build relationships.
- Develop good attendance habits.

High quality preschool and kindergarten has many benefits!

- The routines your child develops will continue throughout school.
- Make the most of early grades by encouraging your child to attend every day.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Work with your child and his/her teacher to develop your child's strong attendance.

Talk about it – sing about it – make it an adventure!

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Share ideas with other parents for getting to school on time.

Before the school year starts

- Find out what day school starts and begin a countdown!
- Keep your child healthy and make sure your child has the required shots.
- Attend orientation with your child to meet teachers and classmates and find out about health and safety procedures.

Ready, Set, GO!

- If you are concerned your child may have Covid-19, call your school for advice. Ask for resources to continue learning at home if needed.
- Ask family members or neighbors for assistance if you need help.
- Try to schedule non-Covid-19 medical appointments and extended trips when school is not in session.
- If your child seems anxious about preschool or kindergarten, talk to the program director, teacher, your doctor or other parents for advice.



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Visit Attendance Works at www.attendanceworks.org for free downloadable resources and tools!

District Policy

5 unexcused absences – school will contact home by phone or email

10 unexcused absences – a meeting may be requested to discuss attendance and a plan of action.

15 unexcused absences – a referral may be made to the Attendance officer.

ATTENDANCE CONTINUED



Phone Call

Parents/Guardians of all Cumberland schools should call the school on the day of their child's absence to inform office personnel of the absence.

Please Note: E-Mail is not an acceptable method of reporting a child's absence.

For an absence to be considered excused, the following examples can be provided as documentation of the excused absence:

1. Doctor's note for illness or injury absences
2. Court appearance summons or other dated court document
3. Name of deceased and relation
4. Confirmation in writing from college/university regarding college visit

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION



- Forms are available at the table, right outside the gym
- Submit form to building secretary, who will be collecting the form, along with your ID to copy, and the \$5 payment. Original ID, not copy needed.
- Forms will be delivered to the CPD.
- Completed forms will then return to HR
- Process will take about 10 business days.

NURSE INFORMATION



Nurse Whitney Does **NOT** give any SHOTS! Students should feel safe to go to the nurse and not scared.

****Please send in an **extra outfit/set of clothes** for the nurses office for the school year. Send in a ziplock bag with child name in the event of an accident so you do not need to come with clothes.

Please reach out with any questions, concerns, or if your child has any nursing needs during school hours, including any daily medications.



NURSE INFORMATION



Kindergarten Immunizations and Physical Exams

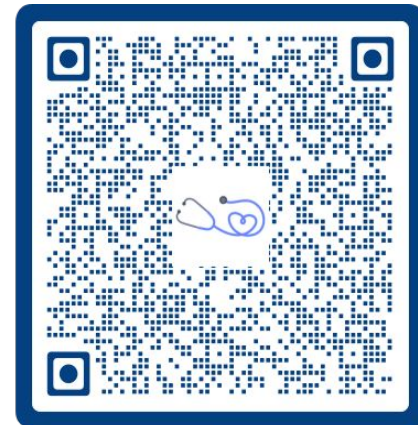
RI Department of Health requires for all children entering Kindergarten have received the necessary immunizations and a current physical exam *before* entering Kindergarten.

If your child came from the pre-school, please send a current physical and any missing immunizations ASAP.

Send to the information below

jessica.whitney@cumberlandschools.org

Phone: 401-305-5949 Fax: 401-723-1084



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Any Questions?

