W.B. Patterson Elementary School

"Excellence is the Expectation"

Weekly Parent Update

October 14 – October 18, 2019 **Volume 8, Bulletin 8**

Monday, October 14, 2019

- **Indigenous People's Holiday: School is closed for staff, students and teachers**

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

- Regular School Day
- Afterschool Programming, 3:15pm – 6:00pm

Wednesday, October 16, 2019

- Regular School Day
- Afterschool Programming, 3:15pm – 6:00pm

Thursday, October 17, 2019

- Regular School Day
- Afterschool Programming, 3:15pm – 6:00pm

Friday, October 18, 2019

- Regular School Day
- Afterschool Programming, 3:15pm – 6:00pm

Breakfast begins promptly at 8:10 and ends at 8:35! Please make sure you are on time to receive breakfast in the cafeteria for grades K-5. The cafeteria doors WILL CLOSE PROMPTLY at 8:35 a.m. Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten students eat breakfast and lunch in their classrooms.

Instructional Start Time:
8:45 a.m.
Please ensure your child is here on time to receive valuable instruction!
School Dismissal Time:
3:15 p.m.
The staff at Patterson wants to ensure the safety of your child(ren), so we ask that you not send your child(ren) to school prior to the 8:10 a.m. door opening time. No staff will be available to provide supervision until then. Thank you!!!

Attention

Afterschool Programming is for registered students ONLY!

3:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Please ensure your child is picked up on time or before 6:00 p.m.

Principal and Assistant Principal Office Hours Monday – Friday

7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. or 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Please schedule an appointment with Ms. Angela Wright or Ms. Monica Bibbs in the main office either in person or by phone at 202-939-5280 to conference with Dr. Thomas and/or Mrs. Johnson-Avery.

(Abbreviated Version) **Notice of Non-Discrimination.** In accordance with state and federal laws, the District of Columbia Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family status, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, genetic information, disability, source of income, status as a victim of an interfamily offense, or place of residence or business. For the full text and additional information, visit http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/About+DCPS/Human+Resources/Notice+of+Non-Discrimination. If you need assistance with any non-discrimination complaint, please contact DCPS at:

"NO CELL PHONE POLICY"

This year, Patterson will be instituting a **"No Cell Phone Policy"** while students are in school. Students will be required to:

1. Turn in their cell phones when they arrive to school. Phones will be signe[illegible] student, stored and locked up in the main office by a school administrator.

2. Phones will be returned to students prior to their leaving at the end of the school day.

3. Should a student need to contact their parent, they may utilize the phone in the main office.

If a student is found to have a cell phone in their possession during the school day, it will be:

1. Confiscated by an adult and turned in to a school administrator.

2. Cell phones will not be returned to the student.

3. Cell phones can **ONLY** be picked up by the parent. Family members (e.g. Older Siblings, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, etc…) **WILL NOT** be permitted to pick up a students' phone on behalf of the parent.

Students caught videotaping fights, etc…, in accordance with the DCPS Chapter 25 Discipline Policy, will be suspended from school for their actions.

OR

Parents, you may elect for your child NOT to bring a cell phone to school at all.

Please remember not to send balls, toys, games, cellphones or personal items with students. Staff WILL NOT be responsible for any loss, stolen or broken items!!!

Breakfast in the Cafeteria from 8:10 am-8:35 am!

Grades Kindergarten-5 will be served breakfast in the cafeteria.

Pre-School, Pre-Kindergarten will be served breakfast in the classrooms.

Please do not send students prior to 8:10 a.m.

Breakfast will end promptly at 8:35 a.m.!! Kitchen doors CLOSE at 8:35 a.m.

Attendance Matters at Patterson!!

Please make sure your child is present and accounted for each day!!
If your child is late or going to be absent, please provide a note to excuse your child for the day.
Questions? Please see the main office.

Student Safety Matters at Patterson!!

Please note that no student will be released to an adult for pick-up who is not listed on the SY 2019-2020 Annual Enrollment Form. Please update your child's annual enrollment form if there are any changes pertaining to phone numbers, parental contacts and emergency contacts. Parents MUST come into the school add names of person approved to pick up child to emergency form.
Questions? Please see the main office.

MEDICATION AND MEDICAL NEEDS!

- Many of our students for various reasons (e.g. asthma, allergies, etc…) may require the School Nurse to administer medication during the school day; as a result, it is **VERY IMPORTANT** that we not only have the necessary completed Doctor's Order on file, but also the medication that can be administered to your child.

- If your child requires an inhaler for asthma, has food allergies and requires an epipen, etc… please make sure that the School Nurse is made aware of this.

- **Please note that students CAN NOT self-medicate while they are in school.**

- **We want to ensure their medical wellbeing and MUST have the necessary documents and medication on file in order for the School Nurse to administer the medication.**

- **Please note that if we DO NOT have the necessary documents and medication on file and it has been determined that your child requires IMMEDIATE medical attention outside of the local school, we will call 911 and have your child transported to the nearest medical facility.**

- Please contact the school nurse to secure the forms that your child's doctor will need to complete, as well as, if you have questions or concerns.

- **ALL medication MUST be brought in by the parent and given DIRECTLY to the School Nurse.**

Parents

Patterson is going green! You may access the Parent Weekly Bulletin online using the link below.

Patterson's School Website: pattersonelementary.online

Parents and guardians we are asking your assistance with minimizing the disruption of instruction during the school day. As a result, students will not be dismissed from school during the instructional block after 2:45 pm but will be available for pick-up during the normal dismissal time of 3:15 pm. Thanking everyone in advance for your cooperation with this matter.

ATTENTION
FIELD TRIP CHAPERONE PROCESS

Patterson Parents, did you know that DCPS has a policy as it relates to anyone wanting to volunteer in the school, as well as, accompanying their child on a trip? All persons that wish to volunteer in the school or go on field trips with students, MUST complete and clear the volunteer application process. Please know that we want you to join in and support ALL of our school-wide efforts, so we ask that you take the time to complete the Volunteer Application Process. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Monica Bibbs at 202-939-5280. Thank you!

Please go to this link to complete your chaperone application:
https://octo.quickbase.com/db/bg37a864v?a=dbpage&pageID=26
or dcps.dc.gov (About DCPS > Human Resources > Fingerprinting & ID Badges).

October 14, 2019 Holiday: Columbus Day – School is Closed

October 31, 2019 Octoberfest

November 4. 2019 ½ Professional Development Day and ½ Records Day

Before-School Drop-Off Request

We are noticing that a number of students are playing on the playground unattended before school opens at 8:10am. To ensure the safety of our students, we are asking parents assistance to make sure that students are under their supervision up to 8:10am when school opens and Patterson staff members are in place to receive their students. Thank you!

Kids Ride Free Program SY19-20

Students who are District residents and who attend a District public, public charter or private school, between the ages of 5 and 21, or a ward of DC through the foster care system can enroll in the Kids Ride Free program. Each student requesting to participate in Kids Ride Free **will be assigned one SmarTrip card with a unique serial number**. Students who lose their card will be responsible for paying their fare until they receive a replacement KRF SmarTrip card.

SY 2019 - 2020 W. B. Patterson ES on
November 14, 2019 and November 18, 2019

GORDON DENTAL ASSOCIATES, LTD

Presents

GDA 4KIDS

"A Mobile Dental Program"

Please Register your child for In-School dental services

Gordon Dental Associates has created a highly acclaimed School–Based Dental Sealant Program, focusing on making a positive change in oral health for school-aged children 1-19 nationwide.

Our Services Include:

- Mobile Access to Care
- Needs Assessments
- Dental Exam
- Dental Cleaning
- Fluoride Treatment
- Dental Sealants
- Oral Health Education

- All Children will receive an exam, cleaning, fluoride treatment and sealants (as needed).
- Private PPO dental insurance is accepted.
- Students may receive free toothbrushes, pencils, erasers and stickers.
- Dental Home Referral Network Available

***We can provide follow up care if needed at our local office, or you can choose a dentist of your choice.**

1-888-675-0668

- Medicaid / CHIP covers 100% of our treatment.

PLEASE SIGN ATTACHED CONSENT FORM

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Government of the District of Columbia
Department of Health

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

Community Health Administration

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The District of Columbia Department of Health (DOH) is sponsoring preventive dental services at your child's school through the DOH School-Based Oral Health Program. Licensed dentists and their staff will provide exams ("checkups") and x-rays to students who have not seen a dentist in the last six (6) months. The services will include: dental cleanings, fluoride treatments, and sealants (as needed). Students that need services not offered at the visit (such as fillings, tooth removal, or braces) will be referred to community dentists. Services do not include drillings or shots. Information from your child's visit will be shared with the school nurse or other point of contact at the school and with the DOH School-Based Oral Health Program for the purposes of: billing, treatment and follow-up, and program monitoring.

PLEASE NOTE: Children should see their dentists every six (6) months. If a child has a regular dentist, the School-Based Oral Health Program services should NOT take the place of a visit to that dentist. If a child has been to the dentist in the last six (6) months, she or he may not need the school-based services. The dental providers will check for dental insurance coverage and the last dental visit for all children to be seen at the school and will bill insurance for any services provided.

_____ _____ ☐ Female ☐ Male
(Student Name) (Date of Birth)

_____ _____ _____ _____
(Home Street Address) (Apt #) (Zip Code) (School Grade)

School Name: _____ Teacher Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Other Phone: _____

Health Insurance – You must select one of the checkboxes and provide <u>all</u> related information in order for your child to receive services.

This child has the following Medicaid/Healthy Families insurance plan:
☐DC Healthy Families ☐DC Medicaid ☐AmeriHealth Caritas ☐ Amerigroup D.C.☐ Trusted Health
Other:_____

Medicaid/DC Healthy Families #: _____

☐ **This child has private dental insurance:**
Insurance Company Name: _____ Insurance Phone: _____
Employer Name: _____ Employer Phone: _____
Name of Insured Adult: _____ Birthdate of Insured Adult: _____
Member ID/Policy #:_____ Group #:_____

☐ **This child does not have any dental insurance.**

Last Dental Visit: ☐1-3 months ☐4-6 months ☐More than 6 months ☐Not Sure ☐Never seen a dentist

I have read the notice on the back of this page and understand and agree to its terms. By signing, I give my informed consent for my child to receive services through the DOH School-Based Oral Health Program.

Parent/Guardian Signature_____ **Date**_____

Please complete important health information on the back

Community Health Administration

As the parent/guardian of the above-named student, I consent for him/her to receive dental services through the DOH School-Based Oral Health Program. I understand that consent to my child's participation provides consent for the following:

- The dental provider to verify insurance before services are provided;
- The dental provider to bill & collect payment from any Medicaid, private insurance, or other payer.
- If I have private dental insurance, the dental provider to bill the family for any deductibles and/or copays.
- The dental provider to confidentially share my child's clinical information with the Department of Health, Department of Health Care Finance, Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCO), and/or other clinical providers involved in my child's health care.

Further, I agree to discharge, indemnify, and hold harmless the District of Columbia and any agency, employee, officer, agent or representative of the District of Columbia from all claims, demands, actions, or judgments which I or my heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns may have for any and all injuries and damages, known or unknown, caused by or arising from the activities listed above. **I understand that if I fail to sign this consent form, my child will not receive any services offered under this program.**

I understand I may revoke this consent at any time by providing written notice to Justice Armattoe at the DC Department of Health (899 N. Capitol St. NE, 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20002). I further understand that until this revocation is made, the consent for services shall remain in effect for one calendar year from the date it is signed, and my child's information will continue to be accessible by the parties listed above for the specific purposes described.

Please provide the following information to help the dental provider best serve your child:

Student Name: _____

MEDICAL INFORMATION - Check each condition that applies to your child and explain in the space provided.

- ☐ Dental problems: _____
- ☐ Heart problems/valve replacements/shunts: _____
- ☐ Asthma/breathing problems: _____
- ☐ Epilepsy/seizures: _____
- ☐ Allergies: _____
  - ☐ Latex allergy: _____
  - ☐ Pine Nut allergy: _____
  - ☐ Acrylic allergy: _____
- ☐ Current medications: _____
- ☐ Antibiotic premedication required? _____
- ☐ Other health problems (i.e., diabetes, bleeding problems, communicable diseases, etc.)? _____
- ☐ Does your child have a usual dentist? If yes, please give dentist's or dental practice's name: _____
- ☐ Does your child have a usual medical/primary care doctor? If yes, please give doctor or medical practice's name: _____

3rd – 5th Grades

Early Bird

Blended Learning Math Program

7:30am – 8:00am

Tuesday - Thursday

In the Computer Lab

iReady Lessons/ST Math

8 Week Session: October 22nd – December 19th

PARCC Prep

7 Week Session: February 25, 2020 – April 9, 2020

Please see Ms. Donahue, Ms. Nicks, or Ms. C. Robinson for more details

**Young siblings may report to Ms. C. Robinson's class for educational math videos or ST Math*

LET'S GO GREEN!

DC Public Schools Parent University

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A workshop series for elementary school and middle school families

Hosted by

Hart Middle School

601 Mississippi Ave SE, Washington, DC 20032

Learn and share strategies to support your child's academic success!

Communicating with Your Child's Teacher and School
Tuesday, November 12th @6:00pm
Learning About Feeder Patterns, Strands and Specialized Programs
Tuesday, December 10th @6:00pm
Understanding Your Child's Progress
Tuesday, January 14th @6:00pm
Building a Sense of Independence in Your Child
Tuesday, February 11th @6:00pm
Making Learning at Home Fun!
March 3rd @6:00pm

Childcare provided for children ages 3 and older

Light refreshments

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All About Feeder Patterns, Strands and Specialized Programs	Discover the different academic programs and opportunities DCPS has to offer.
Understanding Your Child's Progress	Learn about how DCPS measures student progress and explore tools and strategies to keep track of your child's progress at home.
Building a Sense of Independence in Your Child	Share and learn strategies to encourage self-management and personal responsibility in your child.
Making Learning at Home Fun!	Explore new strategies and resources to make DCPS curriculum come alive at home.

Flip over to find the dates and times!

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If you have questions, email Taylor.Stanley@k12.dc.gov or call 2024781427

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en

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¡Aprenda y comparta estrategias para apoyar el éxito académico de su hijo!

Comunicando con el Maestro y la Escuela de Su Hijo
martes 12 de noviembre a las 6:00 p.m.
Sistemas de Transición y Programas Especializados
martes 10 de diciembre a las 6:00 p.m.
Comprender el Progreso de Su Hijo
martes 14 de enero a las 6:00 p.m.
Crear un Sentido de Independencia en Su Hijo
martes 11 de febrero a las 6:00 p.m.
¡Hacer que el Aprendizaje en Casa sea Divertido!
martes 3 de marzo a las 6:00 p.m.

Servicios de interpretación y cuidado para los niños disponibles

Habrá refrescos

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Sistemas de Transición y Programas Especializados	Descubra los diferentes programas académicos y oportunidades que ofrece DCPS.
Comprender el Progreso de Su Hijo	Aprenda sobre cómo DCPS mide el progreso de los estudiantes y explore herramientas y estrategias para medir el progreso de su hijo en casa.
Crear un Sentido de Independencia en Su Hijo	Comparta y aprenda estrategias para fomentar la autogestión y la responsabilidad personal en su hijo.
¡Hacer que el Aprendizaje en Casa sea Divertido!	Explorar nuevas estrategias y recursos para hacer que el currículo de DCPS cobre vida en casa.

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¡Dé la vuelta para encontrar las ubicaciones, fechas y horas!

Si tiene preguntas, envíe un email a Taylor.Stanley@k12.dc.gov o llame al 2024781427

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