



# BAINBRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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## CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE:

<http://bainbridgemiddle.dcboe.com/>

**Our website contains important information about upcoming activities & events at BMS as well as information from your child's teachers.**

## McKinney Vento Program

If your family lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence and is forced to live in any of the following situations:

- Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason (example: evicted from home, etc.).
- In a motel.
- In an emergency or transitional shelter.
- Have a primary nighttime residence that is not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for humans ( car, park, or campsite)

## UPCOMING EVENTS.....



### February

- 17 Presidents Day Holiday
- 21 Black History Program 9 am

### March

- 6 Band Festival
- 11 Chorus All County Concert 6:30 pm Coliseum
- 7-13 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 weeks Benchmarks
- 13 Early Release Day / End 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 weeks
- 14 Furlough Day
- 20 Report Cards Issued

*March 31-April 4 Spring Holidays*

### April

- 9 CRCT Reading
- 10 CRCT LA
- 15 CRCT Math
- 16 CRCT Science
- 17 CRCT SS
- 18 CRCT Makeups
- 22 Progress Reports Issued
- 21-25 Georgia Studies Tour
- 25 Early Release Day

### May

- 4-7 7<sup>th</sup> grade Sea camp
- 6 CRCT Retest Reading
- 7 CRCT Retest Math
- 15 Spring Band Concert 7 pm Coliseum
- 19 Honors Day 10 am 7<sup>th</sup> grade Program
- 19 1:00 pm 8<sup>th</sup> grade Program
- 20 Last Day of School
- 21-22 Post Planning

## ATTENDANCE:

Parents & Students: BE sure to review the Decatur County attendance protocol. It is also available on the BMS website & in your child's agenda. When your child is absent, a written excuse should be sent within 3 days of the absence.

**Visitors:** All visitors to the school must first sign in at the front office and obtain a visitor's pass.

- Then your children may have the right to:
  - Enroll in school without proof of residency, immunization, school records, or other documents.
  - Choose between their school of origin and the school zoned for where you are currently living, when feasible.
  - Receive transportation to school.
  - Attend school and participate in school programs with children who are not homeless. Children cannot be separated from the regular school program because they are homeless.
  - Receive all the school services available to other students.

For more information you may contact Debbie Jones at 229-248-2200, ext. 1044

**FLP-** Bainbridge High School and Bainbridge Middle School been identified as a Focus School. A Flexible Learning Program will be offered to eligible students focusing on the content area of math. If you have additional questions or concerns please contact: Mrs. Kathy Varner, Director of Federal Programs at 229-248-2836 or the school site coordinators. BMS – Mr. John Wooden, Principal of Bainbridge Middle School at 229-248-2206.

**Parent Portal:** Would you like to have constant access to your child's grades and attendance at school? The Parent Portal may be accessed from any computer with internet access and is a great way to allow you to monitor your child's progress at school. If you signed up for the Parent Portal last school year, you **DO NOT** need to sign up again. If you have forgotten your user name or password, you must come to the guidance office with a photo id to obtain your login information. If you need to request a new account, you or your child can pick up an application from the guidance office. Please contact Mrs. Cross in the guidance office for more information.

**Morning Procedures:** Students are not allowed in the building before 7:30 am. Students arriving before 7:30 should report directly to the lunchroom. Study Hall time from 7:30 to 8:00 in homeroom. Students arriving after 7:30 students may eat breakfast in their homerooms. Announcements begin at 8:00. Academics are from 8:00 to 3:15. FREE Breakfast & Lunch are available for everyone!

**PLEASE REPORT ANY CHANGE IN ADDRESS OR CONTACT PHONE NUMBERS, EMERGENCY CONTACTS, ETC TO THE GUIDANCE OFFICE.**

**Dress Code:** It is very important that you review the dress code with your child. An updated copy can be found in the student handbook. Students will be asked to call home for appropriate clothes if they are in violation of the dress code. The time they spend out of class taking care of this will be unexcused.

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