

Bayonne Board of Education Henry E. Harris Community School

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Dear Henry E. Harris School Families,

The Henry E. Harris faculty and staff are eager to welcome your children back on Wednesday, September 6th, for an outstanding 2023-2024 school year. To those students and families who are new to our school, I would like to extend an especially warm welcome and best wishes for an exciting and productive year at Henry E. Harris School.

Together, we will create an incredible team, and our combined efforts will establish a strong foundation for each and every child that enters through the doors of the Henry E. Harris School. During the upcoming school year, I also encourage you to take an active role in your child's learning. Parent involvement plays a critical role in our school's success. One major way to support and increase your child's academic success is to ensure they come to school on a regular basis. Research shows that missing ten percent of the school year, or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects school performance. It is important that the number of absences be kept to a minimum, and a student should only miss school when they are actually sick. Please remember that good attendance also means that students attend school on time. Our school day begins promptly at 8:40 each morning.

In the interest of safety, the following procedures have been implemented for all Bayonne Schools:

- Upon arrival at school each morning, students enter directly into the building.
- Parents and visitors are NOT PERMITTED to enter the building without a scheduled appointment or prior approval from a school administrator.
- Anyone picking up a child from school must present a valid ID as per district policy.
- September 6, 7 & 8 are abbreviated sessions (12:40 dismissal).
- Starting Monday, September 11, the full-day session will be in effect.
- Our breakfast and lunch program will begin on Monday, September 11th.
- We will have 2 lunch sessions. Pre-K Gr. 4 (11:30 12:10) Gr. 5 8 (12:15 12:55)
- Before/Aftercare will begin Monday, September 11th. Any questions, please email Ms. Raslowsky (draslowsky@bboed.org)
- EMERGENCY CARDS Please complete and return two emergency cards for each child by Thursday, September 7th. We must have emergency contact names in case you cannot be reached. Please choose adults who live in close proximity and who would be able to come to Henry Harris School to pick up your child.



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ARRIVAL (DOORS OPEN AT 8:15AM - PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE EARLIER)

Pre-K Door #7 - 4th Street side of the building

Kindergarten Door #9 - Main Schoolyard

Gr. 1 Door # 6 - 4th Street side of the building

Gr. 2 & 3 Door # 3 - Main Entrance

Gr. 4 & 5 Door # 1 - Main Entrance

Gr. 6, 7 & 8 Door # 2 - Main Entrance

Dismissal: (Pre-K 2:30 DISMISSAL/K 2:45DISMISSAL/Gr.1-3 2:50 DISMISSAL/

Gr. 4-8 2:55 Dismissal)

Pre-K Door #7 - 4th Street side of the building

Kindergarten Door #9 - Main Schoolyard

Gr. 1 Door # 6 - 4th Street side of the building

Gr. 2 & 3 Door #8 - Newman Avenue side of the building

Gr. 4 & 5 Door # 11 - Main Schoolyard

Gr. 6, 7 & 8 Door #9 - Main Schoolyard

Ms. Rivera's Class Door #1 - Main Entrance

Mrs. Rosario's Class Door #1 - Main Entrance

Mrs. Kurlander's Class Door # 1 - Main Entrance

Students picked up after school either by school bus or vans, will continue to report to the Multi-Purpose Room and will be dismissed through the main entrance. No other students are to be picked up at the main entrance. Teachers will remain with students outside until they are picked up. Please follow the above dismissal times and be prompt to ensure an orderly dismissal. Also, please be reminded that teachers are responsible for the safe pick up of each student in their class. I ask that dismissal not be the time you choose to converse with teachers. Please email teachers with any questions or concerns or call the main office.

We need your cooperation in maintaining our arrival and dismissal procedures to ensure an orderly and safe transition for all involved.

Welcome back, and we look forward to a great year at Henry E. Harris Community School!

Sincerely, Maria V. Kazimir Principal

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