



KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Bear Creek Intermediate

BCI Mission - Bear Creek Intermediate School is dedicated to developing excellence for all students, teachers and staff to ensure a lifelong love of learning.

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Principal

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We are steps away from starting the 2022-2023 school year! Our building is sparkling from all the hard work from our custodian staff; I have had sightings of teachers coming up and starting to rearrange classrooms, as well as the registration season is close to being in full swing! Even though it is still summer, now is a great time to start preparing yourself for a smooth transition for your child's 5th or 6th grade year.

This letter will be giving you a few days to start to mark on your calendar for the start of the school year. I will be sending out another informative letter towards the end of July to give more information. My letters will always be stored on our BCI website so that you do not need to search through your emails - <https://www.kellerisd.net/Page/33>. As the start of the year gets closer, you will see more information posted.

You will notice that my emails will be in bullet form to try to cut out the fluff. Throughout the year, you will receive emails weekly from your child's teachers and monthly from me.

Are you ready? I am! Let's get this year started!

- **Registration time!** There are two groups that will need to complete forms for registration. Please review which category your child belongs to:
 - **NEW TO KELLER ISD** - If your child attended a school **OUTSIDE** of Keller ISD last year, this pertains to you. Enrollment is open for the 2022-23 school year **for students who are new to Keller ISD**, including incoming Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten students. Visit www.KellerISD.net/Enroll/New22-23 for more information and instructions on how to enroll your child if you will have a student entering Keller ISD for the first time in the fall.
 - **STUDENT ATTENDED A KELLER ISD CAMPUS LAST YEAR:** InfoSnap will be available for you to complete your online paperwork on July 14th. Remember that each year you are expected to update your information in InfoSnap before your student will receive their schedule.
 - Any registration questions can be emailed to our registrar, Megan Marshall, at megan.marshall@kellerisd.net.

- **Supply lists** - If you ordered supplies through our PTA, information regarding when these will be distributed will be coming soon. If you would like to view a supply list, please visit our website. (<https://www.kellerisd.net/BCIS>)
- **BCI's procedures** - Currently, we have videos on our website that can give you more information regarding our processes and procedures. We will be updating throughout the summer: <https://www.kellerisd.net/BCIS> (Under Bear Creek Intermediate News, click on BCI Procedures)
- **AERIES Schedules** - Since May, students and parents have been able to view the 2022-2023 student schedule in Aeries. THESE ARE NOT THE FINAL SCHEDULE. Changes will continue to happen prior to school starting. Also note, since the roll over of new students to our building, some areas are temporarily closed. If you need help, please reach out.
- **Birthday Treats:** We have several students at BCI with severe food allergies. A severe allergy is an allergy that may cause an anaphylactic reaction. A child with a serious food allergy can suffer a reaction merely by touching an allergy containing food. Therefore, we are putting the following safety guidelines into effect:
 - Do not send food that contains or may contain peanuts or tree-nuts to be eaten as a snack in the classroom. Snacks that do not contain nuts as an ingredient but say they may have been processed in a facility that has peanuts/tree-nuts will still be allowed as a snack.)
 - Birthday parties are a special time for children, and we want to celebrate your child. If you want to send something fun to celebrate your child with his/her classmates, we are requesting that you send non-food items (bubbles, pencils, stickers, etc.). Please do not send a treat containing peanuts/tree-nuts. Any treat brought into the classroom to be consumed by other students must be store bought with the ingredient labels attached.
 - Thank you for being a big part of helping keep BCI safe for all students!
- **Open Campus** - On August 3rd from 1:00 - 4:00 PM, Bear Creek Intermediate will be open for a self guided tour to get acclimated to our campus. The main purpose of opening the building is for parent/child to get to know where our 5th/6th grade classrooms, gym, cafeteria, etc... are located. Students will NOT receive schedules at this open house.
- **Parent and Child Assignment** - During the first week (or two) of school, we would like for your child to turn in a picture (4x6) to his/her 0 Period teacher showing him/her doing something or being with someone that they enjoy. Please place his/her full name and grade level for the 2022-2023 school year on the back of the picture. We are planning on hanging these pictures to showcase our students for the full year. You will be able to see them during our Meet the Teacher night(s)! We will try our best to return the photo at the end of the year.
- **Meet the Teacher - 5th grade only** - August 11th from 5:45 PM until 7:00 PM.
- **Meet the Teacher - 6th grade only** - August 12th from 5:45 until 7:00 PM.
- **Locker Decoration** - If your child would like to spend time organizing or decorating his/her locker, feel free to come to campus between the hours of 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM on August 20th. Decorating Expectations: Refrain from adhering any decorations to the outside of the locker. For the inside, as long as items can be easily removed without damaging the surface of the locker, it will be fine to use.
- **Curriculum Nights** - Come learn more about our four core content areas - ELA (English;Language Arts), Math, Science, and Social Studies. Teachers will be leading this evening discussing more about what will be covered throughout the year as well as giving parents some insight on what type of support/access to resources can happen at home.
 - Curriculum Night for 5th - September 13th - starting at 6:30 PM
 - Curriculum Night for 6th - September 15th - starting at 6:30 PM

- Bell Schedule -
 - <https://www.kellerisd.net/cms/lib/TX02215599/Centricity/Domain/2553/BCI%20Bell%20Schedule%20%202021.pdf>
- School Hours -
 - 7:45 AM to 3:15 PM
 - Students are expected to be in his/her classroom before the 7:45 AM bell.

Please feel free to contact Bear Creek Intermediate with any questions you and your family may have to help prepare your transition. Our office number is 817-744-3650. Office hours are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Thursday for summer hours through July.

Next letter will include the following information:

- Morning routine for students
- More regarding students' schedules
- How to check out a student
- Picture day/Retake picture day
- Lunch
- Tutorial opportunities
- Pick Up and Drop Off expectations
- Regular school office hours starting in August

Keep your eyes open for the next informative letter during the last week of July. Until then, enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,



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