

Barnett Barker

December 2023

AM School Access

Students will enter their **outside classroom doors** again this year. Our students are doing *great* with this! Students are welcome in classrooms **after 9:00 a.m.** We will have our PM Kindergarten students enter using their outside classroom door, as well. This will help us keep students safe and our school secure. Although the school is open each morning at 8:00 a.m., students will be expected to play outside when the weather permits. We should not have students in any of the halls, with the exception of those eating breakfast (**beginning at 8:45 a.m.**)

Outside Play

As the weather begins to cool, the expectation is for students to go **outside** on all appropriate days. Students need to come **ressed for outside play**.

Shoes are Required: Nebo School District Policy requires that all students must wear shoes during P.E. classes. Students will not be able to participate in socks, bare feet, or flip flops. Please make sure your children wear appropriate footwear to school every day.

<http://www.nebo.edu/pubpolicy/1/JDG.pdf>

Student Birthdays

It will be my pleasure to deliver a small birthday gift for all of our birthdays. In December we will celebrate the *half-birthdays* of those born in June, and those born in July will be recognized in January.

Every precaution is taken to protect the privacy of all students. Student pictures from field trips & school activities, however, may be published online, in the school newspaper, on our website, etc. If you do not want your child's picture published, please inform your child's teacher.

Message from Mrs. Brown

We are so excited to welcome everyone back for another wonderful year of learning at Barnett Elementary! We appreciate your continued support in our efforts to keep all students SAFE by **CHECKING IN at the office and wearing an identification badge** (sticker) **EVERY TIME** you come to the school (**building or grounds**). Please refer to our *2023-2024 Parent Handbook* found on our school's web site for more information. Please review the Safe Walking Route included to help in our collective efforts to keep our students safe. <http://barnett.nebo.edu/content/parents>

By law each school in Utah has an elected School Community Council (SCC) that fulfills specific school responsibilities. The first meeting of our SCC will be **Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.** in our PD room. We have posted the meeting schedule and contact information on the school web site. SCC meetings are open; any parent is welcome to attend.

<https://barnett.nebo.edu/content/school-community-council>

Thank you for sharing your amazing children with us. We are excited to learn and grow alongside them again this year!



December Calendar

Chubby's Spirit Night	4
Parent Lighthouse Buddies Meeting @ 9:30	5
Student-led Conferences	14
Holiday Dress Up Day	18
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Holiday Dress Up Day – School Pajama Day	21
Classroom Holiday Celebrations - AM	22
Half Day – Dismissed at Noon (last day term 2)	22
Holiday Break – No School	Dec. 23 – Jan. 7th
<i>School Resumes</i>	<i>January 8th</i>



Monday(s) @ 2:45 p.m.

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Our Mission: All students
learning at high levels.

Cold and Inclement Weather

- Students should arrive at school no earlier than 8:45 a.m. **Breakfast is served at 8:45 a.m.** and students are welcomed into classrooms at 9:00 a.m.
- Children should arrive at school dressed for the weather of the day so they can safely and comfortably enjoy being outside. Students need to come each day **dressed for outside play**. The expectation is for students to **go outside on all appropriate days**.
- The expectation is for students to go outside on all appropriate days. When the temperature is below 20 degrees, students will be inside. On days when the temperature is between 20-32 degrees, we will make a careful decision as to whether an 'outside' or 'inside' day is appropriate. Wind chill, air quality and precipitation will always be taken into consideration when making these decisions.
- If your child cannot participate in recess for health reasons, please send a note. If it is a prolonged indoor stay (longer than 3 days) please send a note from the doctor.
- As the inevitable 'inside day' is needed, we are grateful to our Specialists who will supervise students in classrooms, where teachers will provide appropriate inside activities.
- Please be considerate and safety conscious as you drop off and pick up students at school. Please do not block the flow of traffic or cross walks. Inside lanes are for waiting and outside lanes for pull through. Thank you for using parking stalls if you need to enter the building.
- In the event of a major weather event the district will notify parents, e.g., automated phone call, text, or email. Please keep contact information current in your *iCampus* Parent Portal.
- **School Closure Status**
<https://www.nebo.edu/schools/status>

Take A Look at Our Website!

<http://barnett.nebo.edu/>

- School Calendar AND Daily Schedule
- Lunch Menu
<https://barnett.nebo.edu/content/school-and-lunch-information>
- Teacher Websites
<https://barnett.nebo.edu/faculty>
- Monthly School Newsletter
- Schoolwide Plan
- Title I Information
- *Ready Math*
- Parent Resources
- Student Resources
- 2023-2024 *Family Information Guide*
- School News w/ Articles **and Photos**
- Registration <https://barnett.nebo.edu/registration>
- *Leader in Me*
<https://www.leaderinme.org/>
- SORA Library <http://www.nebo.edu/overdrive>
- SafeUtah <https://healthcare.utah.edu/uni/safe-ut/>
- **Nebo District Mobile App**
<http://www.nebo.edu/bb-mobile-app>



Parent Lighthouse Buddies

Dec. 5 at 9:30

All parents welcome.

Come find ways to be involved with and voice input about Barnett events!

Barnett PBIS

Our Vision: As a Barnett Community we work together to empower leaders and inspire a love of learning.

<http://barnett.nebo.edu/content/positive-behavior-interventions-and-supports-pbis>

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Barnett Brag Note



Name

was being a leader by:

- Being Proactive
- Beginning with the End in Mind
- Putting First Things First
- Thinking Win-Win
- Seeking First to Understand, Then to be Understood
- Synergizing
- Sharpening the Saw
- Showing a Growth Mindset

Teacher Name

Date

7 Habits of Highly Effective Kids

From: *The Leader in Me* by Stephen Covey

1. Be Proactive

I have a "Can Do" attitude. I choose my actions, attitudes and moods. I don't blame others. I do the right thing without being asked, even if nobody is looking.

2. Begin With the End in Mind

I plan ahead and set goals. I do things that have meaning and make a difference. I am an important part of my school. I look for ways to be a good citizen.

3. Put First Things First

I spend my time on things that are most important. This means I say no to things I should not do. I set priorities, make a schedule, and follow my plan. I am organized.

4. Think Win-Win

I want everyone to be a success. I don't have to put others down to get what I want. It makes me happy to see other people happy. I like to do nice things for others. When a conflict arrives, I help brainstorm a solution. We all can win!

5. Seek First to Understand

I listen to other people's ideas and feelings. I try to see things from their viewpoints. I listen to others without interrupting. I am confident in voicing my ideas.

6. Synergize

I value other people's strengths and learn from them. I get along well with others, even people who are different from me. I work well in groups. I seek out other people's ideas to solve problems. I know that "two heads are better than one". I am a better person when I let other people into my life and work.

7. Sharpen the Saw

I take care of my body by eating right, exercising, and getting sleep. I spend time with family and friends. I learn in lots of ways and lots of places.

Safety Before & After School

- Only cross at the crosswalk with adult help
- Don't run between cars.
- Park along sidewalk for drop off and pick up
- Cars drive safely through the pick up area watching for kids
- Students walk safely to the bus area
- Wait for bus to stop before approaching
- Walk bikes, scooters, skateboards on school grounds

PLEASE REVIEW THESE SAFETY RULES AS A FAMILY.



- Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/BarnettElementary>
- Instagram
<https://www.instagram.com/barnett.elementary/>
#barnettleaders #bulldogpride
- Twitter
<https://twitter.com/BarnettBulldogs>

Paws to LEAD



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Notes from the Office

- **Attendance** - Contact the office if your child will be late or absent @ 801-465-6000.
- **Telephone** - The office phone should be used for emergencies only. Please help your child memorize telephone numbers.
- **Checking students in and out of school** - If you need to pick up a child during school hours, please come to the office – **do not go directly to the classrooms**. Only those listed on iCampus can check out students unless you inform us otherwise.
- **iCampus Contact Verification** - Please review your contact information in iCampus each term.
<https://nebout.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/parents>

P.A.W.S. to LEAD Bulldog Pride Assembly

We are excited to continue our Bulldog Pride tradition of recognizing *Top Dogs* and *Leaders of the Month* and *Alpha Dogs*, as nominated by the students' teachers and faculty/staff. These students stood out for excellent academic efforts or behavior and citizenship and will be celebrated in our assembly the last Monday of the month @ 9:30am!

A big congratulations to all our **Top Dogs of the Month** and our **Leaders of the Month!** These students were exemplary in showing the qualities of LEAD!

Lead with Responsibility ...
Engage in Learning ... Always Respectful ...
Demonstrate Safety

On the last Monday of the month we will have an assembly where student leaders will teach us one of The Habits, recognized students will be called up to the stage and awarded their certificate and "swag", and then cheered for by the student body in our Victory Lap through the school. Well done, leaders!

<https://barnett.nebo.edu/content/november-bulldog-pride-assembly>

Colder Weather

As the weather begins to cool, the expectation is for students to **go outside on all appropriate days.**

Students need to come dressed each day for outside play.

Please remember to dress appropriately to enjoy and be prepared for our outside weather, e.g., coat, hat, gloves, scarf, etc.



If Child is Sick ...

"The following are conditions of special concern to us for which children **should be kept home**:

- **Colds/Flu:** Children with coughing, sneezing, chills, general body discomfort, fatigue, fever, or discharge from the nose and/or eyes should be kept home.
- **COVID-19:** Symptoms can be mild and include cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell. <http://www.nebo.edu/coronavirus>
- **Persistent Cough:** Cough lasting longer than 3-4 days especially if induces vomiting, passing out or a cough that is productive of colored sputum.
- **Other:** Diarrheal Diseases, Impetigo, Pink-Eye/Conjunctivitis, Open wounds or sores, Vomiting, Strep throat or bacterial infection, Temperature over 100.4, Skin rash."

Re: Utah County Health Department 9-28-20

<https://health.utahcounty.gov/>

School Spirit Day

Reminder to wear your
NEW Barnett school
shirt or school colors
(blue and yellow) on
Fridays!



Counselor Corner

Here are two wonderful mental health resources for families and educators:

<https://parentguidance.org/>

<https://mylifeisworthliving.org/>

In the month of November, we will focus on **Habit #3 Put First Things First**.

Here is a great resource for your children: [Habit #3 Put First Things First](#)

In adult language, **Habit #3** is the habit of personal management:

Habit 3: Put First Things First is the exercise of independent will toward becoming principle-centered. Habit 3 is the practical fulfillment of Habits 1 and 2. Habit 1 says, "You are the creator. You are in charge." Habit 2 is the first mental creation, based on imagination, the ability to envision what you can become. Habit 3 is the second creation, the physical creation.

[Franklin Covey](#)



<http://barnett.nebo.edu/>

School Lunch App

If you would like the convenience of having our school lunch menu information at your fingertips (on your mobile device), just follow the steps below:

1. App Store (*Nutrislice*)
2. Search: School Lunch
3. Type: Nebo
4. Select: Nebo, UT
5. "Agree"
6. Elementary or Secondary Menu(s)

<http://www.nebo.edu/child-nutrition>



Inclement Weather

Throughout the winter months, there is an increased possibility of school disruptions due to inclement weather. *Nebo School District will be open and functioning normally throughout the winter unless parents/employees are notified otherwise.*



The decision to cancel or delay the start of school is a very complicated process.

On occasion, weather may be so extreme the district may close schools or implement a Delayed Start. In each case, a notice will be sent via phone, text, or email to parents/guardians. If a Delayed Start is called at your particular school, your school's starting time will be postponed for two hours. Although the start time will be delayed two hours, we will work to ensure that the school itself will be open by the regular start time in order to accommodate working parents and students that arrive early.

The following information may be helpful for individuals with questions regarding inclement weather days.

1. **Inclement Weather Decisions:** Inclement weather decisions will be made by approximately 6:30 a.m. on the day of the event. Decisions and action plans are for one school day only.
2. **Snow Day or Delayed Start:** If the weather is overly severe, a Snow Day or Delayed Start may be implemented. If this happens, parents/employees will be notified. If a Delayed Start is implemented, schools will start exactly two hours later than their regular start time. (As an example, a school regularly starting at 8:00 a.m. will start at 10:00 a.m. A regular bus pick-up at 7:15 a.m. will be at 9:15 a.m.) During a delayed start, AM Kindergarten, AM Preschool, and AM ALC will be cancelled.
3. **Delayed Start on an Early Out Day (Teacher Collaboration Day):** If a delayed start is implemented during an early out day, the early out schedule will be cancelled and school will run on a regular schedule.
4. **Phone, Email, and Text Messages:** Nebo School District will send notifications regarding inclement weather decisions via phone, email, and text. It is important that parents/employees have updated personal contact information available so effective communication can occur.
5. **Announcement posted on Nebo District Website – www.nebo.edu:** An announcement concerning an inclement weather decision will be posted on the district website. Specific information about each school can be found by clicking the *Inclement Weather* link on the main page.
6. **Hotline:** Parents can call the Nebo District hotline at 801-354-7498 for updated information.
7. **Media Announcements:** Local media outlets will be contacted and informed of school closure status.
8. **Social Media Announcements:** Notifications will be posted on social media pages.
9. **Bus Stops:** On inclement weather days, buses may be running late due to road conditions or traffic delays. Please watch for email, phone, or text messages regarding specific delayed bus routes.
10. **Employee Expectations:** Even though the district has declared a "Delayed Start" for students and schools, the expectation is that employees will arrive at their schools/departments at their regular contract time, or as soon as they can safely arrive.
11. **Make-up Days:** State law requires each district to have 180 days of instruction. For each Snow Day taken, the day must be made up later in the school year. Parents/employees will be notified in advance of the make-up day(s). Delayed Start days do not need to be made up.



Dealing with inclement weather can be a frustrating experience for everyone. If you have any ideas or suggestions that you feel might help improve our process, we would love to hear from you. Please feel free to contact us at question-comment@nebo.edu. Thank you.

IN AN EMERGENCY TAKE ACTION



HOLD! In your room or area. Clear the halls.

STUDENTS

Clear the hallways and remain in room or area until the "All Clear" is announced
Do business as usual

ADULTS

Close and lock the door
Account for students and adults
Do business as usual



SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors.

STUDENTS

Return to inside of building
Do business as usual

ADULTS

Bring everyone indoors
Lock outside doors
Increase situational awareness
Account for students and adults
Do business as usual



LOCKDOWN! Locks, lights, out of sight.

STUDENTS

Move away from sight
Maintain silence
Do not open the door

ADULTS

Recover students from hallway if possible
Lock the classroom door
Turn out the lights
Move away from sight
Maintain silence
Do not open the door
Prepare to evade or defend



EVACUATE! (A location may be specified)

STUDENTS

Leave stuff behind if required to
If possible, bring your phone
Follow instructions

ADULTS

Lead students to Evacuation location
Account for students and adults
Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults



SHELTER! Hazard and safety strategy.

STUDENTS

Use appropriate safety strategy for the hazard

Hazard

Tornado
Hazmat
Earthquake
Tsunami

Safety Strategy

Evacuate to shelter area
Seal the room
Drop, cover and hold
Get to high ground

ADULTS

Lead safety strategy
Account for students and adults
Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults