



# WELCOME BACK 2023-2024

Allen T. Allison  
Elementary



National Blue Ribbon School

*Principal, Toni Hartung*

*Asst. Principal, Jennifer Marchese*

## ***"United in Pursuing Excellence"***

Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome Back! I want to officially welcome everyone to the 2023-2024 school year! I hope everyone had a fun summer!

I am looking forward to continuing our goal of being "United in Pursuing Excellence" by providing a strong foundation for our students. Elementary school years are critical times of development for students and families. We encourage our children to become lifelong learners, teaching them the importance of attending school daily while encouraging independence, problem-solving skills, and decision-making. It is important to encourage healthy habits of getting to bed early, studying math facts, reading books regularly, and coming to school on time.

Allison Elementary School works to provide a variety of opportunities to increase positive influence in our children's education. Grade levels offer parent involvement activities throughout the school year. Students are recognized by earning a nine-week PBIS reward for students with 85% of positive behaviors using Class Dojo. Students who meet their AR goal by the end of the nine weeks will be rewarded. We also have recognitions, student of the month acknowledgements of accomplishing high expectations of attendance, good behavior, student growth, and participation in our school wide Accelerated Reading program.

It is very important that you sign up for Remind Communication and Class Dojo. Important Remind messages will be sent from administration. Your child's teachers will use Class Dojo for communication.

*Mrs. Hartung*

## School Times

Walker Drop-off	8:00-8:15 a.m.
Tardy Bell	<b>8:15 a.m.</b>
**Preschool Drop-off	8:15 a.m.
**Preschool Pick-up	1:15 p.m.
Walker Pick-up	2:55-3:00 p.m.

\*\*Along Sixth Street by the Preschool Entrance



## **First Day of School**

**1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students**

**Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Kindergarten Students**

**Wednesday/Thursday,  
August 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup>**

**Preschool Students**

**Tuesday/Wednesday  
September 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>**

## **Kindergarten & Pre-K**

Kindergarten and Pre-K teachers will be contacting parents within the next couple weeks to discuss school visits and answer any questions you might have.

**Preschool / Kindergarten / New  
Student Orientation**

**August 29, 2022**

**9:00-10:00 @ ATA**



Keeping our students safe is our number one priority. Please be sure your child knows how he or she is getting home each day. Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Please send the included slip to school with your child on the first day to inform your child's teacher of his/her daily transportation home that includes his/her **bus number** and **bus stop**.



## Remind Codes

Remind is a service that provides a safe way for educators to text message or email parents. Please follow the directions according to your child's grade level.

When sending a text message:

In the 'To' box, type the following number:

**304-224-2867**

In the message box, type the following code:

**Pre-K @panther29**  
**Kind. @panther28**  
**1<sup>st</sup> @panther27**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> @panther26**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> @allison25**  
**4<sup>th</sup> @allison24**

For more information, please visit our ATA website and click on the Remind document.

## MORNING DROP OFF

Walkers should be dropped off in front of the school

between **8:00 and 8:15** (after the busses drop students off). For the safety of students and traffic flow, it is crucial that car riders do not arrive to school earlier than 8:00.

## AFTERNOON PICK UP

Walker students will be dismissed through the main entrance doors between 2:55-3:00. At designated times, parents are asked to remain in their cars and pick up their children from the front of the building following the same route as dropping children off.

Families will be given a sign with their child/children's name on it to show a staff member for a quick dismissal process.

## Student Publication Release

During participation in activities related to the education programs of Allison Elementary School/Hancock County, students and student products may be photographed for the purpose of showcasing student work and participation. They may be published in order to positively recognize students and share learning experiences. These materials may be posted online, television, and print media outlets including names and photographs. **Please contact the school in writing within 10 calendar days of receiving this statement if you DO NOT want your child's picture or name to ever appear online, on Facebook or in the newspaper or TV.**

## Dates to Remember

August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup> grade: First Day of School
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Reading Challenge due (1 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> Grade)
August 29 <sup>th</sup>	K/Pre-K/New Student Orientation 9:00-10:00 (teachers will provide more info)
August 30 <sup>th</sup>	½ Kindergarten: First Day (Kindergarten Teacher will provide more details)
August 31 <sup>st</sup>	½ Kindergarten: First Day (Kindergarten Teacher will provide more details)
Sept. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Summer Reading Challenge due (Kindergarten Only)
Sept. 4 <sup>th</sup>	No School - LABOR DAY
Sept. 5 <sup>th</sup>	½ Preschool's First Day (Pre-K Teacher will be providing more details)
Sept. 6 <sup>th</sup>	½ Preschool's First Day (Pre-K Teacher will be providing more details)
Sept. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Picture Day
Sept. 14 <sup>th</sup>	OPEN HOUSE 4:30-5:30 PTA Meeting 5:30

**Non-edible treats:** Hancock County Nutrition and Wellness Policy states that edible treats such as cupcakes, candy and chips, for special activities and events are not permitted. Non-edible treats, such as pencils and erasers are acceptable alternatives.

For safety reasons, it is advised for children to use the same way of transportation on the first day of school as well as all other days. Please send this slip to school with your child on the first day of school.

Please mark the appropriate box.

☐ I will be a walker every day.

☐ I will ride the bus home from school every day.

Bus Number \_\_\_\_\_

Bus Stop \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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