

# BMS Gryphons Newsletter

WELCOME BACK

## Important Dates

August 24 - 28: Gryphon Get Ready Event

August 25: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

August 26: 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

August 27: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

August 28: Make-Up Day

August 31- Sept 4: Teacher Work Days

September 7: Labor Day (no school)

September 8: Students first day

## School Supplies

#2 pencils with erasers

Pens-regular or erasable

Highlighters

Pocket folders 1 per class

Three-ring binders (2 inch)

Dividers for binders

Loose-leaf notebook paper

A composition book 1 per class

Graph Paper 1 package

12 inch ruler and a protractor

Pair of ear buds

General use calculator for home use

## Student Registration

Our Gryphons have been doing an incredible job registering this year and we appreciate it greatly. We are currently at 83% of our families registered for the upcoming year. For our scheduling purposes it is vital that we have everyone registered as soon as possible so that we can appropriately schedule our students based on your selection for face to face or virtual instruction.

## Proof of Residency (POR)

The district has changed the requirements for **POR** this year. Everyone must submit 1 of the following:

- Real Estate Tax Bill,
  - Signed Lease Agreement, Military Housing Letter,
  - or Section 8 Letter
- AND 1** of the following:
- Utility Bill,
  - Phone Bill (landline),
  - Cable Bill,
  - Current Car Insurance declaration,
  - Current Home or Renters insurance declaration or
  - Vehicle Registration.

Special circumstances will need to be reviewed and consulted upon with our data specialist, Mrs. Kim Byers  
[Kim.Byers@beaufort.k12.sc.us](mailto:Kim.Byers@beaufort.k12.sc.us)

## Device Distribution

Students will receive their school device during **Gryphon Get Ready Event**. In order for students to receive their device on their designated grade level day the following expectations should be completed listed below.

- Technology Agreement completed (online registration)
- \$20 Technology Fee paid (online or cash/check day of camp)
- Outstanding Fees (Signed Payment Contract)



## GET READY GRYPHONS EVENT

BMS will offer to families over the course of three days Get Ready Gryphons Event. On this day we will adhere to CDC guidelines and ensure appropriate physical social distancing among students.

### Get Ready Gryphons Event Guidelines

Students should enter the building at the gym entrance near the bus loop and report directly to the gym upon arrival on campus. The scheduled arrival time on campus is listed below per grade levels. During student's time on campus, they can complete/verify proof of registration, pay technology fee, receive their device, pick up student schedules, and receive information about the beginning of the year expectations.

#### Get Ready Gryphons Arrival Times (Student's Last Name)

<b>Tuesday: August 25, 2020 (8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students)</b> 3:00 - 6:00	3:00- 4:00	A- I
	4:00 - 5:00	J- Q
	5:00 - 6:00	R- Z
<b>Wednesday: August 26, 2020 (7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students)</b> 9: 00 - 3:00	9:00 - 10:00	A- D
	10:00- 11:00	E- L
	11: 00 - 12: 00	M- P
	1:00 - 2:00	Q- S
	2:00- 3:00	T- Z
<b>Thursday: August 27, 2020 (6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students)</b> 9:00 - 3:00	9:00 - 10:00	A- D
	10:00- 11:00	E- L
	11: 00 - 12: 00	M- P
	1:00 - 2:00	Q- S
	2:00- 3:00	T- Z
<b>Friday: August 28, 2020 (Make-Day)</b> 9:00 - 3:00	If you are unable to attend on your scheduled day and time	

# Virtual Daily Schedule

8:45 - 9:05	Advisory /Gryphon Time
9:05 - 9:50	1 <sup>st</sup> Period
9: 55 - 10: 40	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
10: 45 - 11: 30	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
11: 35 - 12: 10	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
12: 15 - 1: 00	LUNCH
1:05 - 1: 50	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
1: 55 - 2: 40	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
2: 45- 3: 45	Teacher Office Hours



All classes will be live via Zoom and teachers will spend the first 25-30 minutes dedicated to direct instruction and guided practice and the final 15-20 minutes reserved for independent practice/small group support. Students will receive a 5-minute break in between classes, a 45-minute lunch/Flex time period and teachers will offer office hours everyday from 2:45-3:45 for students to check back in with them should they have lingering questions from the daily content. Elective courses will run as scheduled and may include more theory-based learning at the beginning of the year during the 100% virtual phase.

## Athletics News: Extracurricular Activities

The Beaufort Middle School Athletic Department would like to announce its Fall Sports athletic practice schedule for Volleyball and Football. Fall conditioning will begin on Monday, August 31 from 5:30 to 6:30 for Football and Volleyball. All students interested in participating should report to the parking lot adjacent to the gymnasium. To participate, students must have a completed sports physical dated after April 1, 2020, a completed 2020 BCSD athletic packet and a signed Covid-19 Waiver form. Students who do not have these documents will not be allowed to participate or stay on campus. Due to Covid-19 protocols, coaches will wear face coverings at all times and students will have their temperatures checked and will be asked a series of questions before being admitted to practice. Locker rooms will not be available so students will need to come dressed in shorts and a T-Shirt. Volleyball players should have tennis shoes and football players should have tennis shoes and cleats. Each student should also bring their own personal water bottle with their name on it. We realize that these new protocols will be challenging to students, parents and coaches but with everyone’s cooperation we hope that we will be able to have a successful and rewarding Fall athletic season. We look forward to seeing all of you soon.

2020 Athletic Documents:



[BCSD Athletic Parent Handbook\\_2](#)



[COVID - Waiver for Parents\\_Final.pdf](#)

We hope you find this information helpful and we will send further updates on a regular basis. If you have any questions, feel free to call the main office at (843) 322- 5700. Office hours are 9:00 - 3:00. Continue to stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Ms. Alvilda Graham  
Principal  
Beaufort Middle School

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/beaufortmiddleschoolsc/>

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