



2024-2025 Back to School Information:

Many of you have an understanding of school procedures from past years. For newcomers to our community, or as a refresher, please reference the following points of emphasis for pertinent information. If you have further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at marcums@arlingtonlocal.org. You can also call the office, 419-365-5123. Our school secretary, Betsey Northrup, is also a great resource for answering questions regarding school procedures. northrupb@arlingtonlocal.org.

We have many new staff members; some additions are a result of our growth to our student enrollment over the past 4 years. Please see the August 5 elementary update for a complete list of our new elementary staff members, this can be found at arlingtonlocalschools.com. This same memo was emailed to the final forms email distribution. If your student is not yet entered or updated into final forms, you will not be receiving the school emails. Please contact Mrs. Northrup if you need assistance with final forms.

For additional information and as a resource to many questions, you can find the 2024-25 student handbook

<https://www.arlingtonlocalschools.com/elementary/elementary-school-forms-and-information>.

OPEN HOUSE INFORMATION:

- Class lists will be posted in the school building at Open House on August 26. Open house will run from 11:00-3:00 and from 4:00-6:00. It is encouraged, for your convenience, to drop off school supplies at Open House. It is fine for students to bring their supplies on the first day of school as well.
- Feel free to check out our supply surplus tables at Open House. The supply table will be set up in the cafeteria.
- Chad Hazelton, transportation coordinator, will also be available with bus information in the cafeteria.
- Tracy McIlroy, cafeteria supervision, will also be available in the cafeteria for food service questions.
- Breakfast options will be available for students this school year. Like last year, students can opt for a daily breakfast each morning after announcements. More information regarding a school breakfast will be coming home for students to sign up with parent permission. We hope to begin the breakfast option for elementary school starting on September 9. For questions regarding lunch account deposits, financial assistance forms, or anything involving the food service, please contact Tracy McIlroy at 419-365-5123 ex 222. Or email Tracy at mcoilroyt@arlingtonlocal.org.



BACK TO SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- There will be no student fees for elementary students for the 2024-25 school year.
- The school day starts at 8:00 a.m. Students dismiss at 3:00 p.m. A crossing guard will be present at the traffic light on S.R. 68 from 7:45-8:00 and from 3:00-3:10. Elementary students will not be permitted in the building before 7:55. Students should not arrive to the school grounds prior to 7:45.
- For commuters, students will be dropped off at the front of the building. See the handbook for further details regarding drop off and pick up.
- Our kindergarten students will have a staggered start to the school year, with their first days being on Thursday, September 5th or Friday, September 6th. We will be flexible on these days with allowing parents to enter the building at the entry. Our procedures will not allow for visitor entry with the students at 7:55. Obviously, with expectations for security and safety, these are not conducive times for school personnel to monitor adult/visitor entry to our school. After 8:00, parent visitors must buzz in from the porch doors and check in at the office.
- 'Marcum Material' is a weekly update from the school office which will be emailed via final forms and posted to the website. This is the most consistent means of communication to be informed of upcoming events, schedules and school happenings.
- Feel free to sign up for the elementary 'Remind' app. The 'Remind' app will be used for extenuating circumstances. If you have the app- Class Name: Arlington Elementary. Class Code: @62h78b. Or, text 81010 this message: "@62h78b". {This is one-way communication only}
- For school delay and closings information, please see wfin.com, wkxa.com, or sign up for the text alerts via these websites. Remind updates and/or email will not be utilized to inform parents of delays.
- Cell phones will be off and in backpacks during the entire school day. Students should not use cell phones during the school day. This also includes Smart watches.

Thank you!