

Hey Bears-

I just wanted to say how excited we are about the upcoming school year! Our teachers and staff have been working very hard over the last two weeks getting everything ready for you! Cub Camp and the Sixth grade parent night were a big success and the Beckendorff Blast is just around the corner. In order to prepare for the start of school, I have included some frequently asked questions concerning a variety of topics.

What if my child misses/missed textbook pickup?

We will get the rest of the student textbooks passed out during the first week of school. There are still quite a few kids without textbooks- so don't be concerned.

What about immunizations?

As many of you already know, the State of Texas has added quite a few (new) mandatory immunizations. Students will not be permitted to start school without these new immunizations. If you have questions, please feel free to call the school nurse, Kathy Goerlich at 281-237-8825.

What is the Beckendorff Blast? And what about parking?

The Blast is (basically) a meet the teacher night for Beckendorff students. Your student will receive his/her schedule and locker. You will have an opportunity to meet your student's teachers, organize his/her locker, take an informal tour of the building, buy school supplies, and purchase some fantastic spirit wear!! The 6<sup>th</sup> grade program starts at 5:30pm and ends at 6:45pm. The 7/8<sup>th</sup> grade program starts at 7pm and ends at 8pm. **Parking:** Please plan on carpooling as much as possible. You may also park at Griffin Elementary and walk over to BDJH. Please be careful about parking on Cinco Crossing nearest to Cinco Ranch Blvd (per Fort Bend County Sherriff). This stretch of road is very narrow and needs to be passable at all times.

Can my student pick up his/her schedule earlier than the Blast?

No. Schedules will not be ready to run until the night of the 19<sup>th</sup>/early on the 20<sup>th</sup>. If you are not able to pick up your schedule at the Blast, you can pick it up on the first day of school.

Can I accompany my student into the building on the first day of school?

While we always encourage our parents to be actively involved in the educational process, we would prefer that the students be released to us on the morning of 8/24. We completely understand that there will be quite a few nervous 6<sup>th</sup> graders, and our staff is prepared to help each and every one of them. If you would like to discuss a specific situation, please feel free to contact your child's grade level principal. Remember that all visitors to the building will need to be verified through Raptor.

What if my student does not like his/her locker?

We will only consider locker changes under the following circumstances: A.) Your student cannot reach the assigned locker due to his/her height. B.) The assigned locker does not work.

\*\*Students will not be able to change lockers due to location- nor will they be able to request a top locker.

*Please feel free to call if you have any questions, and we hope to see you at the Blast!*

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