



# Bertha Neal Elementary School

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Dear Kindergarten/First Grade Families,

I hope this letter finds you enjoying your summer and making a lot of great memories with family and friends! It's hard to believe that we are already gearing up for the 2017-2018 school year. Below, you will find important information to help you prepare for the start of your child's school year.

## **Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – First Day of School**

- August 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> are HALF DAYS.
  - o On half days, Bertha Neal will dismiss at 12:00pm.

## **Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup> – FULL day of school**

- Full Day School Hours:
  - o Start Time: **8:25am** (Students will leave the gym at 8:20am to go to their classroom.)
  - o Dismissal: **3:15pm**

## **Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup> – Open House AND Parent Orientation (see schedule)**

- Kindergarten
  - o Open House: 5:30pm – 6:00pm
  - o Parent Orientation: 6:00pm – 6:30pm
- First Grade
  - o Open House: 6:45pm – 7:00pm
  - o Parent Orientation: 7:00pm – 7:30pm
- Please bring your kindergartner/first grader!

You should have received a class placement letter and supply list from us in July. If you did not, please contact the office. If you are having any difficulty purchasing the school supplies, please give us a call. We would be happy to help out, as we receive many generous donations from various parents/organizations. All requests are 100% confidential.

Ms. Jody Neumeyer will be the Interim Principal and Preschool Director until mid-October when I return from maternity leave. In addition, Mrs. Ashley Carlson is the new Secretary at Bertha Neal. They are ready to welcome you back for an exciting year at Bertha Neal!

Please be sure to call the office if you have any questions. Our office hours will be 8:00am – 4:00pm (until school starts). We are looking forward to a great year with you and your child here at Bertha Neal Elementary!

Sincerely,

Hattie E. Rainer,  
Principal | Preschool Director