



# BEULAH RALPH ELEMENTARY

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Dear Beulah Ralph Elementary Families,

Welcome back for another fantastic year at Beulah Ralph Elementary! We are looking forward to seeing all our Timberwolves back for the 2021-2022 school year. We have been busy here at BEU getting the building ready for our teachers and our students, and things are really starting to come together. The first day of school will be August 24<sup>th</sup> for grades 1-5 and August 26<sup>th</sup> for Kindergarten. Our theme this year is "The Pack is Back," and we could not be more excited to have our Timberwolves back together at BEU! At this time, we do not have final information regarding masks or other COVID-related protocols for the year, but we will send that out via email as soon as we have the information and a plan for how it will look here at BEU. We wanted to remind you of some important upcoming dates and information:

- **Meet the Teacher Night – August 19<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 p.m.**

Meet the Teacher Night is a chance to meet your child's classroom teacher and drop off classroom supplies. This is a drop-in event, so feel free to come at any time during the 4-6 p.m. window.

- **Online registration procedures**

As always, we will need you to update registration and health information for your child. To complete online registration, please visit the CPS Families Portal (<https://launchpad.classlink.com/cpsfamilies>). This process will cover all registration needs. You can find a walkthrough of how to complete the registration under Family Resources on the BEU webpage ([www.cpsk12.org/beu](http://www.cpsk12.org/beu)). Please contact the office if you need any assistance. Also available on the CPS website are calendars for the year, the school supply list (which is linked below), and a free or reduced-priced lunch application.

- **Bus transportation**

CPS and STA are arranging bus transportation needs differently this year. **If you need bus transportation for your child(ren), you MUST "opt in" to receive it. To do this, you will need to complete the online registration forms on the Parent Portal and select "yes" on the transportation question to receive a bus this year. The deadline for selecting bus service is August 16<sup>th</sup>.** If you have questions or need help with this, please contact us. Your child's bus route information will be posted in the Families Portal for you to view after you opt in.

- **Kindergarten Assessment**

Our kindergarten students will begin school two days later than students in other grades. Kindergartners will begin school on August 26<sup>th</sup>. Kindergarten teachers will use August 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to individually assess their students' beginning kindergarten skills. Parents of kindergartners can sign up for an appointment at Meet Your Teacher Night.

As in years past, this year free backpacks and school supplies are available for BEU students who need them. Thank you to our PTA and their Outreach committee for coordinating this effort. Please contact Keanan Naegele or Sarah Bergeson, our school counselors, for more information regarding backpacks and supplies ([knaegele@cpsk12.org](mailto:knaegele@cpsk12.org) or [sbergeson@cpsk12.org](mailto:sbergeson@cpsk12.org)). Parents may also call the office about the free backpacks and supplies.

School supply lists can be found here:

[https://www.cpsk12.org/cms/lib/MO01909752/Centricity/Domain/47/School%20Supply\\_BEU.pdf](https://www.cpsk12.org/cms/lib/MO01909752/Centricity/Domain/47/School%20Supply_BEU.pdf)

For a quick recap of arrival and dismissal procedures, please see the following video:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mntQjmtL\\_o0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mntQjmtL_o0)

We are eager to see our returning BEU Timberwolves, and to get to know all our new families! Our staff has made the commitment to work with each of you to help all children at Beulah Ralph reach their potential. We look forward to meeting with you on August 19<sup>th</sup>. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding the education of your child. We are here to help make sure all BEU students receive an outstanding education!

Sincerely,

Seth Woods  
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**TIMBERWOLVES**