



WELCOME BACK

TO SCHOOL

2023-2024

WELCOME BACK BANNEKER FAMILIES AND STUDENTS



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SCHOOL!**

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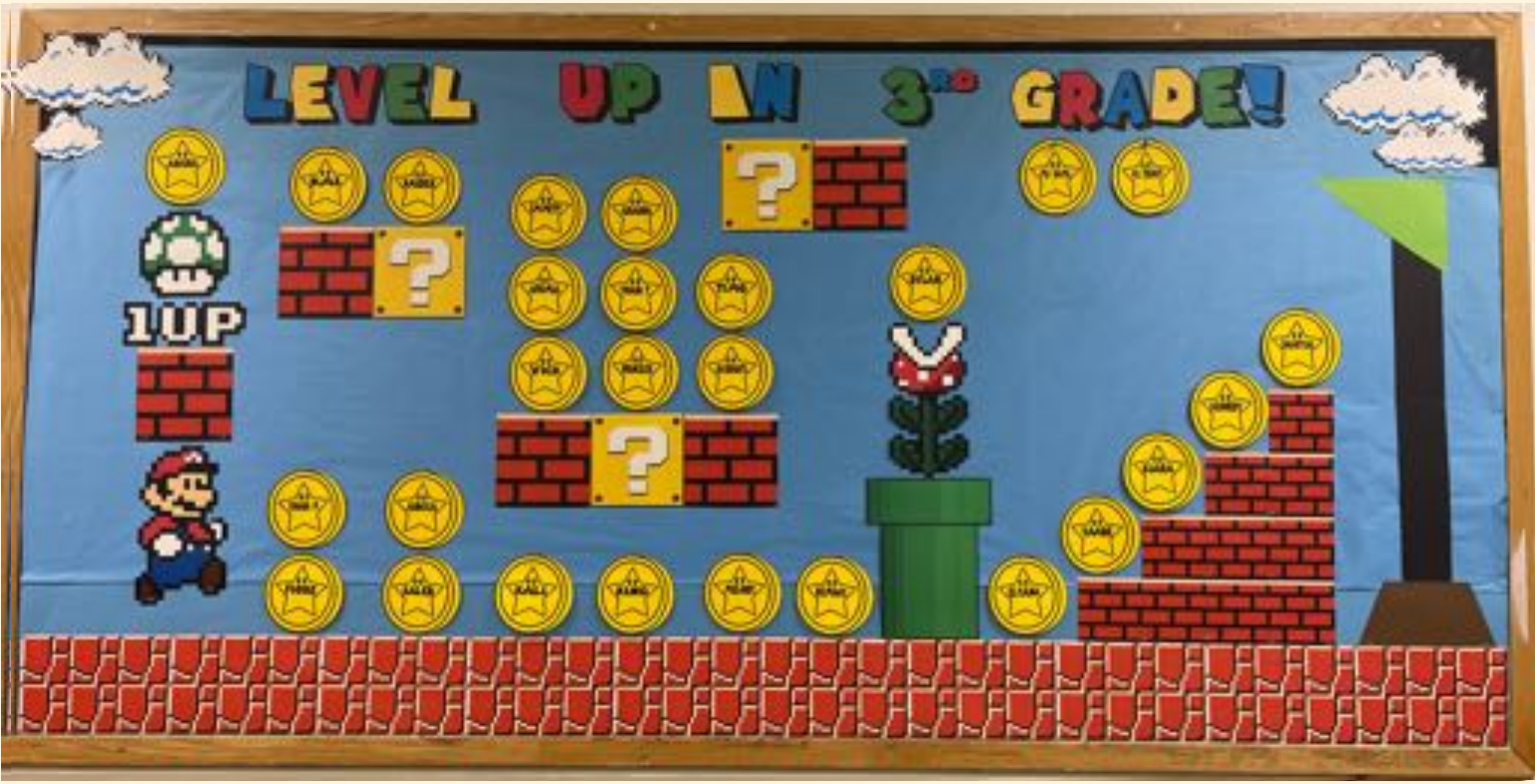
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Banneker 2023-2024





Ready and Committed



Meet some of the crew!



Marie St. Germain

Receptionists
Enrollment
Data Collection
Transportation
19 years

Sherley E. Bretous

Executive Director
28 Years



Heather Steenburgh

Title 1 Director
Primary Literacy Coach
Parent Liaison
27 Years

Curriculum Instruction Support Team



Heather Steenburgh, Primary Literacy Coach

Dr. Sherley Bretous, Executive Director

Dr. Molander Etienne, Intermediate Literacy Coach

Tasheika Johnson, k-6 Mathematics Coach





Overarching Goals

Students

Ensure that all students have rich and engaging learning opportunities that challenge and inspire them, in safe and supportive classroom communities with educators who motivate, encourage, and understand every student.

Teachers

Ensure that our school community remains healthy, focused, inspired, and committed to creating the kind of world all children deserve. Where educators are supported in a safe environment as they become increasingly aware of behaviors and biases that create barriers and perpetuate race-based inequity for children of color.

Supporting Your Child



- Getting students to school daily and on time
- Encourage curiosity
- Get to know the teachers and understand their expectations
- Be an active part of our school community
- Read and do homework together
- Manage screen time (social media)
- Remind them that mistakes are a good thing
- Support their passions

Our Classroom Policies

Here are some of the policies to take note of from the school handbook:



Communication



Homework Policy



Party's & Snack



Behavior

Handbook will be available electronically!

ATTENDANCE

Communication
is key!

Our goal is 100%

Please Note: Attendance is key to academic success and students are expected to be on time every day.

All students are expected to be in school by 8:00am.
Students are marked late if they are not in class by 8:15am.

Parents are asked to call the school when a student will be tardy or absent.

Absences are considered excused or unexcused.

Excused absences are documented medical reasons, legal or school related reasons, and for documented family emergencies and personal reasons.

All other absences will be considered unexcused.

School calendar available on our website

BETTER TOGETHER



Teachers are your primary point of contact
Virtual welcome family meetings scheduled within first
three weeks of school by your child's teacher
Website is under construction so please be patient.

www.banneker.org

Use email to reach out to the school



NUTRITION

- STUDENTS HAVE THE OPTION TO BE PROVIDED WITH FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH
- ANY LUNCH PROVIDED FROM HOME CANNOT BE HEATED AT SCHOOL
- BANNEKER REMAINS A PEANUT FREE SCHOOL
- FOOD SERVICES CLEANING & SAFETY PROTOCOLS ARE ON FILE



Safety Measures

Always check in at the front desk

Refrain from using your phone in the building

Regular fire drills

Lock down drills

Staff have been trained in CPR and First Aid





TRANSPORTATION

Morning Transportation

An adult has to be with each student in grades k1-3 while waiting at the bus stop.

Cambridge &
Local Motion
stops have been
shared via email.

Please see
Ms. St. Germain for
more information.

Afternoon Transportation

An adult has to be with each child while waiting at the bus stop at least 10 minutes before.

Dismissal Changes are not accepted after 2pm

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Burgundy Top
and Khaki
bottoms

Uniform Policy

All students are required to report to school in uniform every day.

Banneker is a uniform school.

Being part of the Banneker community means adhering to the uniform policy unless instructed or authorized.

Any student found to be in violation of the dress/uniform policy can remain in the Nurses office for the day and/or until appropriate clothing is brought in from home.

School personnel will contact parents every day that a student does not come to school in uniform.

- Pants/Shorts : Standard cloth pants (no jeans or nylon sport pants) in Khaki. No sweats are allowed on regular dress code days.
- Shirts/Blouses: Button down shirts/blouses; long sleeve or short sleeve in Maroon (solid only, no prints). No crop tops, half shirts, no low cut blouse or top.
- Sweaters: Cardigan sweaters, maroon (no logo). No jackets allowed; no sweatshirts/ Hoodies on regular dress code days.
- Tights/Leggings: Solid only -- khaki. Leggings are to be worn under skirts or jumpers; may not be worn alone.
- Shoes: Personal preference with general tone of dress code, in black or brown. Sneakers required on gym days
- Skirts/Jumpers: Khaki Personal preference should be expressed, without being distracting or outlandish.

Physical Education

- Sweat Pants/ Shorts: Black, dark grey - cotton/cotton blends only.
- Tee Shirts: White with (no designs) cotton/cotton blends only.
- Shoes: Sneakers

Not Allowed

- Crocs, open toe sandals, slides, heels
- Hats: Not allowed in the building. No Bonnets

After school

The After School program is currently full.



We have a waitlist and are looking for more staff to be able to accommodate more students from the waitlist.

It is a first come, first serve program, with first preference to families who have reapplied from last year in June.

Please be advised we currently have a waitlist!

The after school fee remains at \$15 per day, payable monthly

If you know of anyone who want to join our workforce... please send them our way

Important Contact Info

Please Note

For attendance/absence Notification - Call --- Marie St. Germain (x200)

For **health concerns** -- Call --- Nurse Nguyen (x212)

Afterschool issues - email-- bbrothers@banneker.org or call (ext. 224)


For issues related to **IEPs and special needs** --- email --- amarre@banneker.org

To make an **appointment to speak to a teacher** -- email --- classroom teacher

Problems with technology -- email---- yaqid@banneker.org

Other requests -- email --- mstergermain@banneker.org

SHARING GREAT NEWS-- email--- sbretous@banneker.org

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*Questions and
Answers*