



BISCAYNE ELEMENTARY

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Greetings STELLAR Families —

WELCOME BACK TO THE 23-24 SCHOOL YEAR! We are excited and ready to inspire, mold, and impact our next generation of Leaders!



Our goal remains the same —to develop the WHOLE CHILD. Many changes are taking place in our world in what some would say is 'a Different World'. We acknowledge the challenges and transitions, but we are dedicated and motivated to teach our student leaders the value of being focused, showing good character, setting goals, and working hard in A STELLAR WORLD !

Our theme this year -A STELLAR WORLD— highlights our commitment to focus less on how 'different' our surroundings are but center our efforts on connecting students to their full potential and endless possibilities as future leaders. Our effectiveness as educators exponentially increases with parent/guardian participation and partnership. We encourage you to We ARE BETTER together !

As we transition back to school and welcome new & returning students, we ask for your patience and kindness. Our first priority is student safety. Please adhere to established rules. Lastly join our school network. JOIN PTA to receive volunteer opportunities. We NEED your HELP!

School Hours

8:30 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

8:30a -12:45 p
EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS

Important Dates

Aug 14 First Day of School
Aug 30 Early Release Day
Sep 4 NO SCHOOL | Labor Day

August 2023

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	Fri	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL PROCEDURES



ARRIVAL

- Car drop off is to the side of the building in the loop
- ♦ Car rider loop is open 8a-8:25a
- DO **NOT** drop students off before 8a. There is no adult supervision and students will not be able to access building
- Students are expected to be **ON TIME** and in their seats ready to learn when the bell rings at 8:30a
- Students arriving after 8:30 must use

DISMISSAL

- NO students may be checked out after 2:15p (per district policy)
- Dismissal begins at 2:45p . This year we will be utilizing PIKMYKID application for a faster dismissal process . See page 3
- Students not enrolled in after school programs must be picked up no later than 3:05p

Uniform Policy—Mandatory

Students are REQUIRED to be in school uniforms during school hours. Friday we wear school spirit shirts! There will be times during the school year when students may dress up/down for spirit weeks.

TOPS: RED, BLACK, GREY

BOTTOMS: BLACK, GREY, KHAKI

School SPIRIT SHIRTS are worn EVERY **FRIDAY with bottoms of your choice. (Spirit shirts available via vendor)

ORDER UNIFORMS AT: myspiritwear.com/biscayne

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Create your parent portal account TODAY !



- Download Progress Reports & Report Cards
- Monitor grades and attendance
- View and Submit School Forms
- View district messages



Biscayne website: duvalschools.org/Biscayne



Search: **Biscayne Elementary Leadership Academy** . Check out candid photos of our students, staff, school happenings ! As well as school updates and reminders



Download this application and get connected with our school via invite. Bloomz allows you to : Connect with school and receive updates and announcements. Communicate with your students teacher, see classroom specific updates, and more.



Instagram : Search **BiscayneElementary** . Checkout school happenings, updates and reminders

PTA[®]

PTA your way ... donate, volunteer , share your voice , advocate for students — however participation works for you! Your schedule, your fit. Do what you can do at whatever degree you can!

We just need you!



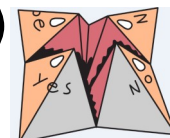
Join PTA for \$10 @

<http://besknights.memberhub.com>

We have an AWESOME PTA that supports our students and teachers in big and small ways. We are looking for ALL levels of support !!

Become a Homeroom Parent

See PTA for more information



Do You Have a Desire to Volunteer ?

Visitor / Volunteer Application—DCPS REQUIRED

Duval County Public Schools requires all volunteers and visitors to register and be screened. This include anyone that would like to visit classrooms, chaperone, or have lunch with their child (where applicable). Once processed the application stays on file for 2 years. Processing takes 5-10 days. We suggest you complete NOW. It is a quick and easy process.

Apply online today at www.duvalschools.org/volunteer

Benefits of Volunteering in Schools

- Support teacher, students, and school
- Build network with teachers, staff, and other parents
- Stay informed of all volunteer opportunities
- Engage in your childs' academic and social success



A Linked Parent Account gives you access to:

1. **Student Grades:** With a Linked Parent Account, you can access your child's grades in Focus.
2. **Transportation:** With a Linked Parent Account, you can register for bus transportation for your child.
3. **School Choice Applications:** With a Linked Parent Account, you can apply for magnet and special transfer option schools.
4. **Important/Emergency Communications:** With a Linked Parent Account, you can receive important automated communications from the district and your child's school.

Watch the videos below OR use the step-by-step guide to create your account now at duvalschools.org/parentaccount

Note: If your child is a new student, you will first need to apply for enrollment. Click on this [Enroll New Student/Create a Stu-](#)

Get Linked!

4 Easy Steps

Before you begin, you need to know the following: your home address, email address, phone number, your child's date of birth, and their Student ID number.

CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT Complete the "Sign Up" page found here: 	VERIFY YOUR ACCOUNT An email will be sent to the email address you used to sign up. It will be from Filmservice@duvalschools.org . Open the email and click on the "email validation link." Wait up to 3 hours before Step 3.	LINK TO YOUR CHILD Log into your account at onview.duvalschools.org with the email and password you created in Step 1. Select "My Links." Select "Add Student." Complete form. Select "Add" to submit.	VISIT YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL Visit your child's school within 21 days of completing Step 3 to show proof of parent-guardian/child relationship. Bring your photo ID.
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CONGRATULATIONS!
You have a Linked Parent Account.

For more information, visit www.duvalschools.org/parentaccount.



SIGN UP TODAY!

Pikmykid system will help facilitate a quick and safe dismissal

Pikmykid

PARENT APP USER GUIDE

Get Started

The app is available for download. Search "Pikmykid" on your smartphone's app store (Google Play, Windows or iTunes).

Registration

Once you have downloaded the PikMyKid phone app, you will press the "Sign Up" button and fill out the form.

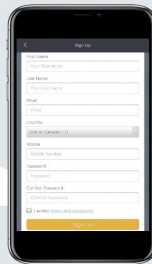
OTP Code

After you press submit, you will be sent an OTP code by text message. Please enter this code into the next screen. This will complete your registration process!

Don't see your child?

If you are a parent/guardian and see a blank screen, please contact support@pikmykid.com to correct the issue. It is likely that the school did not have your mobile number on file.

Each parent & user will need to register on their own smartphone with their own information.



Questions?

Email support@pikmykid.com
Be sure to include the name of your child's school, the child's name, and your mobile number - as well as outline any questions (i.e. Blank Screen, OTP code missing)

Pikmykid

PARENT APP USER GUIDE

Q How do I change my child's Pick Up Mode?

1. Open the Pikmykid app and click the pencil icon next to the school name. Then select the blue edit button next to your child's name. A new calendar page with student information will then be visible. Choose the date on the calendar, select "Change Pick Up Mode" and continue.
2. Select your child's new pick up mode from the drop down menu and decide if it is a recurring change—if so, for how long and how often (weekly, daily, monthly etc).
3. Press Done! You and the school will now be able to see the change on your child's calendar!

Q How do I allow someone else to pick up my child?

1. Open the Pikmykid app and click the pencil icon next to the school name. Then select the blue edit button next to your child's name. A new calendar page with student information will then be visible. Choose the date on the calendar, select "Delegate" and continue.
2. Enter the person's name and mobile number from your contact list. From the drop down menu select how they will be picking up your child and decide if it is a recurring change—if so, for how long and how often (weekly, daily, monthly etc).
3. Press Done! You and the school will now be able to see the change on your child's calendar!

Q How do I announce my arrival to the school?

1. Parents can only announce during your school's set dismissal hours for car riders or walk ups.
2. Make sure your phone's location services are on and the toggle switch next to your student's name is green.
3. Stop at the stop sign and click the GREEN ANNOUNCE button.

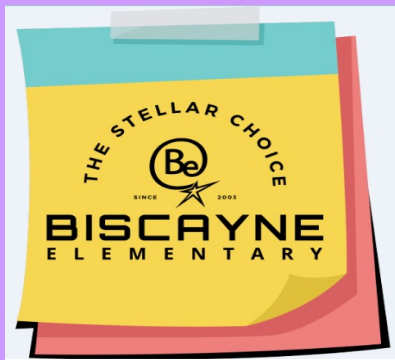
App Support
From the menu (≡) in the top right corner of the app, select "Support". Fill out and submit the form to be connected with a friendly customer service human.

Leader in Me

What makes Biscayne Elementary a Leadership Academy ?

We are entering year 4 of being a **Leader in ME®** school. A program developed by Stephen Covey based off the 7 *Habits of Highly Effective People*. Our goal is to Build leaders in each of our students.

This model creates leaders by changing the way you see things, which will influence what we do, and the results we get. EVERY student is a leader, NOT just some students. Every month we focus on a Habit with students and we will share this habit with you to continue the conversation at home.



THANK YOU in advance for your patience and kindness as we kickoff this new school year. We are excited to partner with you in the education of your student leader. The safety of our student body as well as our staff is our #1 priority.

- BELA Administration Team

Transportation

Parents/Guardians must register their child in FOCUS for a bus assignment each school year. This should be completed for all children linked to their FOCUS account. Visit :

[www.duvalschools.org/
busregistration](http://www.duvalschools.org/busregistration)

School Meals

All students will receive FREE Breakfast and Lunch Daily . No application necessary. For more information visit-
[www.duvalschools.org/
foodservice](http://www.duvalschools.org/foodservice)

To see daily menu, download the Nutrislice app



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

All day. Every day.

It adds up... + EVERY tardy
+ EVERY early check-out
+ EVERY absence
EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

READ 20

A student who reads

20:00

minutes per day

typically scores in
90th PERCENTILE
on standardized tests

SCHOLASTIC

