



Pups' Press

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<http://www.patrickelementary.org/home1.htm>

Dear Patrick Families,

We hope that you are having a wonderful, restful and fun summer with your family and friends. Welcome to Patrick Elementary! We are excited that your family is joining the Patrick school family. You will find our staff warm and welcoming. Our school will focus on teaching and learning in a safe environment in which students and staff are challenged and happy. Our students performed well last year, and we are ready to begin a new year! Our safety policy has worked well for the past few years, so we will continue to require identification for access to our building. This means you must give permission on the student verification form. Only adults listed on this form will be allowed access to our café, ect. Your child's teacher will have this verification form.

I look forward to seeing you on Registration Day, August 4th! On our website, you will find forms that need to be completed and returned to your child's teacher on August 4th. Before going to meet your teacher, be sure to get car rider(café) and bus number(hallways) information. Do not assume your child is riding the same bus. Verify this information in order to ensure your child gets to the desire destination.

This year we will be using the Meal Pay Plus system in order for you to pay school supply contributions, lunch and other school contributions. This service is being provided as a convenience to you as parents. You will be able to access your child's accounts via phone or email. More details to come. Your support of Patrick's work is valued immensely and your School Supply Contributions are greatly appreciated.

School supply information, previously distributed to our families, is found on our website listed above.

I am proud to be serving as your new principal, and I look forward to building strong relationships with you and your children this year.

Tyese Scott, Principal

What do we need for Registration Day on August 4th?

- √ Your child
- √ Transportation information (bus/car rider number) before going to the classroom
- √ Verify you student information with the teacher
- √ Completed School Supply Contribution (Meal Pay Plus)
- √ Completed Parent Consent forms
- √ Completed Clinic "Permission to Administer Medication" form (if needed)
- √ Completed Food Allergy/Restriction form (if needed)
- √ Cafeteria Visit ,car rider tags, spirit wear, PTA membership
- √ Join the PTA

Patrick Administration and Counseling Team

Tyese Scott, Principal

Laurie Clark, AP

Rebecca Newman, AP

Kelly Cowart, Counselor (Grades K, 1, 2)

John Ryan, Counselor (Grades 3, 4, 5)

**Any administrator/counselor will be glad to assist you if the designated administrator is not available.

Any PES staff members may be reached by email:
first name _last name@gwinnett.k12.ga.us

HOW CAN YOU HELP PATRICK?

Several companies offer you an opportunity to help our school while you are making purchases:

- √ Kroger: The Kroger Earning Plus Learning Program earns money for our school each time you use your Kroger Plus Card (information included)
- √ General Mills: Box Tops for Education
- √ Campbell's: Labels for Education
- √ Visit our website to become a Business Partner or Friend of Patrick Elementary

School Hours

7:45 a.m. - Bell rings; Students may enter the building

8:05 a.m. - Morning announcements

8:15 a.m. - Tardy bell rings - Day begins

2:40 p.m. - Afternoon dismissal bell rings

2:45 p.m. Bus dismissal followed by car dismissal

UPCOMING DATES

August 2: Class Lists will be posted on the café windows after 5pm

August 4: 8:30-11:30 Meet your Teacher

August 8: First Day of School

August 23: K-2 PTA/ Open House 6:30-8:00pm

August 25: 3-5 PTA/ Open House 6:30-8:00pm