August 2026

Allen T. Allison Elementary

Principal, Toni Hartung

National Blue Ribbon School

"United in Pursuing Excellence"

Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome Back! I am delighted to welcome everyone to the 2026-2027 school year. I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer.

We are excited to continue our mission of being "United in Pursuing Excellence" by providing a strong foundation for our students. The elementary school years are crucial for the development of both students and families. We strive to cultivate lifelong learners by emphasizing the importance of daily attendance, fostering independence, and enhancing problem-solving and decision-making skills. It is essential to promote healthy habits such as going to bed early, regularly studying math facts, reading books, and arriving at school on time.

At Allison Elementary School, we are committed to offering a variety of opportunities to positively influence our children's education. Throughout the school year various grade levels will host parent involvement activities. Students are recognized for their positive behaviors, with those achieving 85% positive behavior in Class Dojo. Additionally, students who meet their Accelerated Reader (AR) goals by the end of each nine-week period will be rewarded. We also acknowledge outstanding achievements through Student of the Month awards, recognizing high expectations in attendance, behavior, student growth, and participation in our school-wide Accelerated Reading program.

It is very important that you sign up for Remind Communication and Class Dojo. Important messages from the administration will be sent via Remind, while your child's teachers will use Class Dojo for communication.

~Mrs. Hartung

MEET THE TEACHER

Wednesday, August 19th

3:00-4:30

Allison Elementary School

(This event will be held outside.)

School Times

Walker Drop-off	8:00-8:15 a.m.
Tardy Bell	**8:15 a.m.**
Preschool Drop-off	8:20 a.m.
**Preschool Pick-up	1:20 p.m.
Walker Pick-up	2:57-3:00 p.m.

**Along Sixth Street by the Preschool Entrance



First Day of School

1st – 4th Grade Students
Monday, August 24th

Kindergarten Students
Thursday/Friday,
August 27th or 28th

Preschool Students
Tuesday/Wednesday
September 1st or 2nd

Kindergarten & Pre-K

Kindergarten and Pre-K teachers will be calling parents within the next couple weeks to inform families about orientation and answer any questions you might have.

Preschool / Kindergarten / New Student Orientation

August 26, 2026

9:00-10:00 @ ATA

Morning Drop Off

Walkers can be dropped off in front of the school between **8:00 and 8:15 (after the buses drop students off)**. For the safety of students and traffic flow, it is crucial that car riders do not arrive to school earlier than 8:00.

Afternoon Pick up

Walker students will be dismissed through the main entrance doors between 2:57-3:00. Families will be given a sign with their child/children's name on it to show a staff member for a quick dismissal process.

Keeping our students safe is our number one priority. Please be sure your child knows how he or she is getting home each day. Kindergarten through 4th grade – Be sure to come to Meet the Teacher to get your transportation slip to send to school on the first day.



Non-edible treats: Hancock County Nutrition and Wellness Policy states that edible treats such as cupcakes, candy and chips, for special activities and events are not permitted. Non-edible treats, such as pencils and erasers are acceptable alternatives.

Dates to Remember

August 19th	Meet the Teacher - 3:00-4:30
August 24th	1st - 4th grade: First Day of School
August 26th	K/Pre-K/New Student Orientation 9:00-10:00(Teachers will provide more info)
August 26th	Mumkin Sale Begins
August 27th	½ Kindergarten: First Day (Kindergarten Teacher will provide more details)
August 28th	½ Kindergarten: First Day (Kindergarten Teacher will provide more details)
August 28th	Summer Reading Challenge due (1st-4th Grade)
Sept. 1st	½ Preschool's First Day (Pre-K Teacher will be providing more details)
Sept. 2nd	½ Preschool's First Day (Pre-K Teacher will be providing more details)
Sept. 3rd	Summer Reading Challenge due (Kindergarten Only)
Sept. 7th	No School – LABOR DAY
Sept. 10th	Open House
Sept. 16th	Picture Day
Sept. 29th	Mumkin Delivery

Remind Codes

Remind is a service that provides a safe way for educators to text message or email parents. Please follow the directions according to your child's grade level.

When sending a text message:

In the '**To**' box, type the following number:

304-224-2867

In the message box, type the following code:

Pre-K	**@allison32**
Kind.	**@panther31**
1st	**@panther30**
2nd	**@panther29**
3rd	**@panther28**
4th	**@panther27**

For more information, please visit our ATA website and click on the Remind document.

Student Publication Release

During participation in activities related to the education programs of Allison Elementary School/Hancock County, students and student products may be photographed for the purpose of showcasing student work and participation. They may be published in order to positively recognize students and share learning experiences. These materials may be posted online, television, and print media outlets including names and photographs. **Please contact the school in writing within 10 calendar days of receiving this statement if you DO NOT want your child's picture or name to ever appear online, on Facebook or in the newspaper or TV**.

For safety reasons, it is advised for children to use the same way of transportation ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL as well as all other days. Please have your child give this slip to their teacher on the first day of school.

Please mark the appropriate box.

_____ I will be a walker every day.

_____ I will ride the bus home from school every day.

Bus Number _____

Bus Stop _____

Student Name_____

Parent Signature_____

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