WELCOME BACK Eagles!

AUGUST 2026



Welcome back! We hope that you are refreshed, rejuvenated, and filled with excitement for the new school year.

As summer break comes to a close, we are excited to welcome our students and families back to campus as we begin another wonderful year, staying "**On the COURSE for Success**!"

Our staff have been hard at work preparing engaging lessons, meaningful learning experiences, and exciting opportunities that will inspire curiosity and support student growth.

We know that returning to school routines can be an adjustment for everyone. Please remember that we are here to support you every step of the way. Open communication is important, and we encourage you to reach out with any questions or concerns. Together, we can ensure a successful year for every student.

We look forward to celebrating the achievements, growth, and special moments that this school year will bring. Thank you for your continued trust and support.

Here's to a successful and memorable school year ahead!

Together in Education,
Jennifer F. Dolciotto
Principal



TOLEDO BLADE ELEMENTARY
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First Day of School
August 10th

First Day Prep

We are encouraging families to use the variety of online services to prepare for the first week of school (found inside).

The office will be open from 8:00am-4:00pm from August 4th–August 7th for families to pick up pre-ordered uniforms, car tags, and drop off school supplies and/or medications.



CONNECT WITH US
Receive updates & information via TBES Webpage & Facebook Page

"Meet Your Teacher"

Families of students in Grades 1-5 will be invited by their assigned teacher for a scheduled "Meet the Teacher Session" held on

Thursday, August 6th.

Families unable to attend the information session should connect with the classroom teacher to ensure receipt of this valuable information.

Grade 1: 8:30 - 9:30am
Grade 2: 9:45 -10:45am
Grade 3: 11:00 – Noon
Grade 4: 1:30 - 2:30pm
Grade 5: 2:45 –3:45pm

Kindergarten families will be contacted by the assigned teacher with their designated time for a campus tour & information session to be held on Thursday, August 6th.

Note: All classroom placements are "Tentative & Subject to Change"; Specific teacher requests are not accepted.



Below is a guideline/checklist with applicable links to help families prepare for the start of the 26/27 school year.

* Accessing this form via the TBES Website will provide live links.

Things To Do.....		Link to Complete	✓
Registration	All registrations must be completed online • Kindergarten families can reserve a time slot for the Kindergarten screening by calling (941) 426-6100	https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/o/scs/page/registration	
Uniforms & Supplies	View uniform policy and supply list. Purchase items as needed. • Supplies may be dropped at the front office between 8/4-8/7 from 8:00am-4:00pm • Supplies must be bagged and individual items must be labeled with student's name • School uniforms purchased via TBES Student Store will be available for pick-up at the front office between 8/4-8/7 from 8:00am-4:000pm	Uniform Policy: https://5il.co/2glf8 Supply List: https://aptg.co/S0hy8Y https://osp.osmsinc.com/SarasotaFL/BVModules/CategoryTemplates/Detailed%20List%20with%20Properties/Category.aspx?categoryid=GC306	
Arrival & Dismissal	View arrival & dismissal procedures. Determine arrival & dismissal arrangements that will be shared with classroom teacher.	https://aptg.co/cppyLq	
	• Bus Rider: View bus schedules/routes. Bus riders must be pre-registered for transportation.	https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/o/scs/page/2026-27-sy-register-for-a-bus	
	• Biker/Walker: Complete & return the Biker/ Walker authorization card provided by your child's teacher or stop in the front office to complete.	**Please bring Identification**	
	• Before/After School Childcare: **All available spaces have been filled.** If you would like to be placed on a waiting list, please email Kristen Kinkin at **kristen.kinkin@sarasotacountyschools.net**		
	• Car Rider: Car Rider tags will be available for pick-up at the front office between 8/4-8/7 from 8:00am-4:00pm. **If you have a Car Rider Tag from 25/26 with a QR code, please bring it by the front office or to Meet the Teacher for activation for the 26/27 school year.**	**Please bring Identification**	
Food Services	Complete Free/Reduced Meal Application	https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/o/scs/page/free-reduced-benefits	
	• If applicable, add money to an existing meal account	https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/getmain?requestAction=home	

Toledo Blade Elementary
Student Uniform Policy
Mandatory for ALL Students PreK-Grade 5

Tops: Collared Polos, Dresses, Sweaters, Jackets	**Top Colors: Gold, White, and Black** • Short or long-sleeved collared polo shirts • Solid uniform color, with or without logo • No button up shirts authorized • Sweaters, sweatshirts, jackets & layered items must be in solid uniform color **Optional:** **Logo uniform polo shirts can be ordered online or at Toledo Blade Elementary. The cost is $15.00 each. Logo sweatshirts & jackets are also available for order at various times during the year.**
Bottoms: Shorts, Pants, Capris, Skirts, Skorts, Jumpers	**Bottom Colors: Khaki and Black** • Bottoms must be to mid-thigh with **an inseam of 6 inches** or more • Shorts are expected to be worn under skirts • Leggings (khaki or black only) can be worn under bottoms • Leggings/jeggings/excessively tight bottoms may not be worn alone • Athletic/workout shorts and sweatpants are not allowed **(Solid blue jeans allowed ONLY on school SPIRIT Days)**
Shoes	• Closed toed/Fully enclosed shoes with a sole required. • Must be tied or closed with Velcro straps • Sneakers required on PE day(s) and for recess participation
Socks	• Required - Solid uniform colors "preferred"
School Spirit Days	*"Last School Day of the Week"* • Solid blue jeans/denim and any TBES polo/spirit t-shirts are optional
Free Days	To be announced by administration
Picture Days	**For Class Picture Days:** Full uniform required **Individual Picture Days:** Students may dress out of uniform, but in full compliance with dress code expectations
Field Trips	Full uniform required on all field trips unless approved by administration
Enforcement	• 1st Offense: Call, note home & change into uniform attire • 2nd Offense: Call, note home & change into uniform attire • After 5 days of non-compliance: Letter mailed to the home and administrative team intervention
Scholarships	Applications for assistance are available from the Guidance Department and are subject to approval (verification of eligibility required)

Toledo Blade Traffic Plan For Arrival & Dismissal

Please adhere to the prescribed traffic pattern and procedures to safely accommodate the volume of car riders, bike riders, and walkers at Toledo Blade.

The traffic pattern allows for two car arrival/dismissal locations that are designated by grade level. The facility design and procedures have been established in our continued efforts to make the Toledo Blade campus a safe and secure environment for our families.

Some helpful reminders to help keep our campus safe during arrival and dismissal:

Arrival

- Students arriving before 8:00am should report directly to the main office. If the student is registered for the Before School Care Program, he/ she will be sent to the appropriate location. If he/she is not registered, parents will be notified and fees will be applied.
- Children should not be left unattended on campus prior to 8:00am
- Bike riders/walkers should only enter campus at the supervised crosswalk
- Bike riders must have a "Bike Rider" authorization form on file in the office
- Classroom doors open at 8:15am; Students arriving between 8-8:15am will be directed to the cafeteria for quiet reading time and/or breakfast service.
- Parents may park in designated parking spaces and check in the front office if arriving for school business (ex. Scheduled meetings, clinic, volunteering, etc.)
- Parents wishing to walk students to the classroom may do so between 8:15-8:30am following the detailed procedures outlined in the family handbook located on our website.

Dismissal

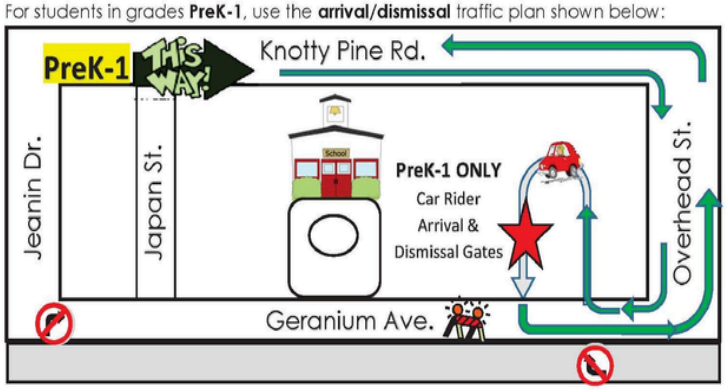
- All dismissal changes must be submitted in writing to the office before 2:45pm.
- Early release after 2:45pm is not permitted unless prior arrangements have been approved.

CarRider Loop(s)

- Utilize the grade level assigned location for arrival & dismissal
  - Families with students in multiple grade levels will use the location assigned to the youngest sibling.
- Travel at posted speeds and adhere to traffic flow patterns
- Remain in the vehicle at all times with a hang tag/QR code clearly displayed and photo ID available.
- You will be asked to visit the front office if the hang tag is not displayed or staff request verification of ID.
- Pull to the farthest open designated gate to load along the curbside.
- Children will be dismissed from a "dismissal classroom" and directed to the assigned dismissal location/gate.
- Children that are not picked up by 3:35pm from the car rider line(s) will be escorted to the front office (fees will be applied) until a guardian arrives.

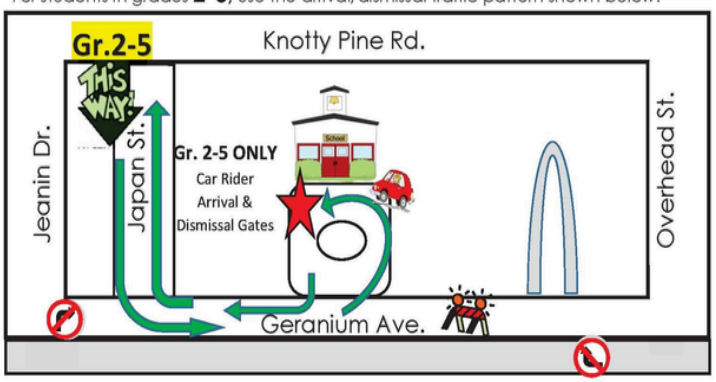
Grades PreK-1

For students in grades **PreK-1**, use the **arrival/dismissal** traffic plan shown below:



Grades 2-5

For students in grades **2-5**, use the arrival/dismissal traffic pattern shown below:



BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES



In addition to the grade-level supply lists, ALL students MUST have their own:

Headphones (no ear buds)

Supply Box/Bag

School Uniform

(ALL tops/hoodies/jackets must be solid uniform color)

See Uniform Policy

Be sure to label items with a first & last name.

KINDERGARTEN

Pencils (pre-sharpened is appreciated)
(2) Boxes Crayons 24 count
Scissors
(8) Glue sticks
(2) Big pink block erasers
EXPO Dry erase markers (4 pk)
(2) Washable markers
(2) Composition notebooks
(2) Folders (without prongs)
Girls – quart size baggies
Boys – gallon size baggies
Disinfectant wipes
Tissues
Hand Sanitizer

Teacher Wishlist Item – Ream of paper

GRADE 1

Wooden pencils
24 pk crayons
Scissors
Glue sticks
(2) Block erasers (white)
Dry erase markers (thin – black)
Self-seal plastic bags (gallon or quart)
(3) Two plastic pocket folders with prongs solid color only

GRADE 2

(24) Wooden pencils
Crayons/Colored pencils
Scissors
(3) Glue sticks
(2) Erasers
(8) Dry erase markers (thin & black preferred)
Washable markers
(2) Composition books
Self-seal plastic bags (gallon & sandwich)
(4) Two pocket folders with prongs (plastic)

GRADE 3

Wooden pencils
Crayons
Scissors
Glue sticks
Erasers
(8) Dry erase markers
Colored pencils
(2) Spiral Notebooks
Self-seal plastic bags (gallon & quart)
(6) Two pocket folders with prongs

GRADE 4

(12-24) Sharpened wooden pencils
Color pencils and/or washable markers
Scissors
(4) Glue sticks
(4) Black Expo markers
(1) Composition notebook
Self-seal plastic bags (gallon & sandwich)
(4) Two plastic pocket folders with prongs
(1) Three ring binder – 1 inch

GRADE 5

(12-24) Wooden pencils
Colored pencils
Scissors
(2) Glue sticks
(8) Expo dry erase markers-dark colors
(5) Composition Notebooks only (not spiral)
(1) Pack of wide rule notebook paper
(3) Two pocket folders with prongs
Self-seal plastic bags (gallon & quart-slide zipper)

Pre-K & VPK

Teacher will share with families.

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Support our youngest students with reading readiness skills and promote a love of reading and learning.

OFFICE SUPPORT
Provide valuable support that keeps our school running smoothly!

GET INVOLVED!

JOIN THE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)!

The School Advisory Council consists of parents, teachers, community representatives and administration. The State of Florida requires that each school elect members for assisting in the preparation and evaluation of the School Improvement Plan and provide assistance in an advisory capacity, as needed, in preparing the school's annual budget and plan.

Please contact *Jennifer Bell* in the front office or via email at Jennifer.Bell@sarasotacountyschools.net

By volunteering at Toledo Blade Elementary, you can help a student reach his or her full potential and improve the quality of your own life at the same time. Everyone is welcome. No special skills are required – only some time and a giving heart.

We welcome fellow community members, parents, students, businesses, professional people, and retired citizens who wish to contribute their valuable time in sharing their special knowledge, skills, hobbies, and talents to provide support and enrichment to our students and staff.

Volunteering is not only an invaluable contribution, but it builds community and provides an example for our students.

Interested in Volunteering?

Please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, *Katherine Brown* for more information on how to become an approved volunteer at:

Katherine.Brown@sarasotacountyschools.net

or

visit the Community Relations page at:
sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/1369

TOGETHER, WE CAN HELP OUR STUDENTS SOAR!

Growing Together: Toledo Blade Parent Learning Series



When families and schools work together, students flourish. Join our Parent Learning Series to explore new ideas, gain practical tools, and connect with a community dedicated to helping every child reach their full potential. Together, we can create a strong foundation for lifelong learning and success. We hope you will join us on this journey. Use the QR code below to register for the sessions you will attend.

- September 1, 2026 5:30-6:30 PM
  Routines Rock
- October 14, 2026 5:30-6:30 PM
  How to Recognize Stress and Anxiety in Children
- November 12th, 2026 5:30-6:30 PM
  Strategies for Mental Health and Wellness During the Holidays

REGISTER NOW!



CONTACT US

Phone Number:
941-927-9000 ext. 31616

Email:
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Online orders:
https://osp.osmsinc.com/SarasotaFL/BVModules/CategoryTemplates/Detailed%20List%20with%20Properties/Category.aspx?categoryid=GC306

ROLL OUT

Be sure to visit the media center and/or the front office at the 'Meet the Teacher' event to preview, place orders or purchase items from the new TBES "Signature Spirit Collection".



Welcome Back to School Cookie Gram



Wish your student a great start to the new year with a Welcome Back to School Cookie Gram from Chick-fil-A!

$3 each (cash only)

- Meet Your Teacher Event – 8/6 in the Media Center
- Front office sales – 8/7–8/11
- Grams delivered to students on 8/14

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PLEASE READ THE ONLINE SUMMARY OF COVERAGE FOR COMPLETE DETAILS AND FOR THE POLICY TERMS, PROVISIONS AND EXCLUSIONS FOR YOUR SCHOOL'S PLAN.

WHAT IS STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE?

Coverage that provides financial assistance with your out-of-pocket medical expenses when your student suffers an accidental bodily injury. OR if you have no insurance, this coverage will provide basic accident protection for your students.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR KIDGUARD® STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE?

All students from pre-K through grade 12 are eligible for KidGuard® Student Accident Insurance.

WHY CONSIDER KIDGUARD® STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE FOR YOUR STUDENT?

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- KidGuard is ideal for families whose children have no health insurance coverage.
- KidGuard may work for students who play interscholastic sports where unexpected injuries are more likely to occur. Please visit the website to see if sports are covered at your school.

WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE?

[1] **24-Hour Basic Accident Insurance Plan:** full-time, 24/7 protection during school sponsored and supervised activities during the regular school term AND while at home AND during summer months.

[2] **School Time Basic Accident Insurance Plan:** protection only during school sponsored and supervised classes and activities during the regular school term.

[3] **Optional In-Hospital Sickness Benefit:** up to a maximum policy benefit of $5,000 for the 12-month period of coverage. No benefits are payable for outpatient expenses.

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SARASOTA COUNTY SCHOOLS

2026-2027 DISTRICT ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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JULY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30	31	

6th - 10th - 240 Staff Non-Work Days
13th - 220 Staff Return

AUGUST 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
2	3	4	5	6	7	1/8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
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30	31					

3rd - 196 Staff Return
10th - First Day for Students, 186 Staff

SEPTEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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7th - Labor Day - Students, All Staff

OCTOBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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9th - End of 1st Grading Period
12th - Professional Day - Students, 186 Staff

NOVEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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23rd - 27th - Thanksgiving Break - Students, 186, 196, 220 Staff
25th - 27th - Thanksgiving Break - 240 Staff

DECEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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27	28	29	30	31		

18th - End of 2nd Grading Period
21st - 31st - Winter Break - Students, All Staff

JANUARY 2027

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

1st - Winter Break - Students, All Staff
4th - Professional Day - Students, 186 Staff
18th - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Students, All Staff

FEBRUARY 2027

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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15th - Presidents Day - Students, All Staff

MARCH 2027

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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11th - End of 3rd Grading Period
12th - Professional Day - Students, 186 Staff
15th - 19th - Spring Break - Students, All Staff
26th - Mini Break - Students, 186, 196, 220 Staff

APRIL 2027

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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16th - Mini Break - Students, 186, 196, 220 Staff

MAY 2027

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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23	24	25	26	27*	28*	29
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26th - Last Day for Students, 186 Staff
28th - Last Day for 196 Staff
31st - Memorial Day - All Staff

JUNE 2027

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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11th - Last Day for 220 Staff

* Inclement weather makeup day if needed

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