

# BAYSIDE ACADEMY

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COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

August 20, 2019

Dear Intermediate School Families,

We had a wonderful first week. The students are settling into their new routines, and I hope you all are, too! I have enjoyed the noise and excitement of a new school year and cannot wait to see each student learn and grow in their time in the Intermediate School.

An important part of our routine is the car line. Please be sure to enter and exit the Intermediate School car line ONLY from Captain O'Neal Drive. When cars exit or enter on Dryer Avenue, it disrupts the Lower School car line. Remember that if your children are in separate divisions, the older student may go to the younger student's drop-off location in the morning and pick-up location in the afternoon. If you allow your child(ren) to walk to May Day Park after school, please talk to them about a rain plan. Everything runs more smoothly when students know where to go in the afternoon, and we would like to prevent a flurry of last-minute phone calls and messages.

We've already had a few early dismissals and illnesses this week and last. Remember to contact Kristin Smith by phone (338-6472) or email ([ksmith@baysideacademy.org](mailto:ksmith@baysideacademy.org)) if your child will not be at school or needs to check out early. We ask that you please contact Mrs. Smith for early dismissals no later than 1:30 p.m. After that, it is difficult for her to contact teachers and students.

Students in the Intermediate School are looking sharp this year! I am proud of the pride that they take in being in proper uniform each day. Please email or call me if you have any issues or questions about uniform attire. I think we've worked out most of the problems in this first week.

We have a special event next week on **Friday, August 30**. In honor of our first home football game, we will have an all-school pep rally. The pep rally theme is "Gone Country." The students in the Intermediate School will be allowed to "dress up" in theme, but that always comes with responsibility. We ask that if students choose not to wear uniform bottoms that they wear blue jeans or leggings – no jean shorts. Also, no weapons (cowboy pistols, e.g.) or Dixie regalia will be allowed. We are so excited to participate in this fun event!

I look forward to seeing all of you **tomorrow night (Wednesday, 8/21/19) at Parent Information Night**. We will cover important things that your students have been learning about, and you will have a chance to connect with their teachers. We'll convene at **6 p.m. in The Pilot Center Theatre**, and we will finish by 7:30 p.m. As always, I am grateful for and humbled by the trust you put in us daily. It is so special to watch these children grow into competent lifelong learners.

All my best,



Kelly F. Hughes  
Head of Intermediate School