



September 2017

Dear Parents and Students,

It has been a tremendous start to the school year. It is always exciting to start a new school year. Having the opportunity to work with our returning students again and welcoming a new group of freshmen is always special. This year we welcomed in 163 freshmen to the Badin Family. Our senior class did a terrific job of making the Class of 2021 feel special. We had 111 seniors arrive at school at 7:50 a.m. on their last day of summer to cheer in the freshmen. This tradition has grown every year.

A few logistic reminders as we start the school year. For a student to leave early from school, the student must bring a note directly to the office in order for us to issue a pass to the student. Students must go to their lockers and report to homeroom by 7:30. If a student is not feeling well, they must go to the nurse. Any student who contacts parents without going to the nurse will receive disciplinary action.

As for school discipline, each teacher will utilize a classroom behavior system in their classroom. Teachers will have a variety of options to use as needed if a student misbehaves. A few options a teacher could use are a teacher detention before school, during lunch or after school. There are certain incidences that would result in an office referral – cell phone violation, blatant disrespect of a student or faculty member, improper use of an iPad, and dress code violations to name a few. In terms of cell phones, all cell phones are to be put in their lockers and turned off during the day. If a student has their cell phone out or it rings during the day, the phone will be taken and sent to the office. The student will receive a detention. If you need to contact your student, please call the office and we will relay the message to your student. Please see the handbook on-line for more details on our discipline system.

As a reminder, if you are dropping your student off in the morning please be sure to pull up to the curb. Do not drop a student off away from the curb where he/she would need to cross over traffic. Also, please be careful pulling back into the flow of traffic. There are other parents pulling though, along with student drivers and busses. If you are picking your student up in the afternoon, the front circle is closed from 2:10 to 2:40 for the busses. We have over 100 grade school students that transfer busses here and we need to provide a safe location for them to move from bus to bus. We would recommend you wait until after 2:40 to arrive. This will allow you to avoid the busses.

As you are aware we have restrictions on the school iPads. This allows the iPads to be used for their intended purpose – as an educational tool. Even with the new restrictions on the iPads, students may find ways to use educational apps for improper uses. We will continue to monitor the students as they use the iPads and we ask for your assistance in doing the same at home. In addition, many students have other devices that allow them to be on social media apps and websites. We strongly encourage you to monitor your student's social media accounts. We continue to stress responsible use of social media to our students and we thank you in advance for your support with this issue. If you have social media accounts, we encourage you to follow Badin High School. We post information on a regular basis and use our Twitter and Facebook accounts as a way to communicate information quickly. Our two main Twitter accounts are @Badinhs and @RAMSSPORTS. There are numerous Twitter accounts for the different sports and clubs. Please be sure to look at our website for information. The daily announcements are on there, along with a lot of other important information.



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For new parents, you will receive an access code to our Parent Portal which will allow you to view your student's grades. These will be emailed to you in early September. If you do not receive your code by September 10<sup>th</sup>, please contact the school.

Once again, you will have three ways to add money to your student's cafeteria account. The easiest way is to send a check or cash to school with your student to turn into the cafeteria before school. A cafeteria worker is in the kitchen from 7:00 to 7:25 every morning to take the money and add it to the student's account. You can also add money through auto-deduct from your bank account or by using a credit card. Students should not add money during the lunch period as this holds up the lines.

We are excited about this school year. For the 7<sup>th</sup> year in a row our enrollment has increased. This is a testament to our faculty, staff, student and parents who make Badin a terrific place to be a part of. We understand the sacrifice that our parents make and are very grateful to you for making your child's education at Badin a priority. We also need to thank our very generous donors. The financial support of our donors makes a Badin education a possibility for many of our students. Our Annual Fund Drive is a critical aspect of our financial aid program. Thank you to those who have donated to in the past and will contribute in the future. Your contribution goes a long way in helping our students reach their personal best, live their faith and lead the future.

As always, if you have questions, concerns or suggestions feel free to contact me or stop in and see me.

God Bless,

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