

# BLACK MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS PTO

### THE PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION OF THE PRIMARY & ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS OF BLACK MOUNTAIN

## WELCOME TO BLACK MOUNTAIN PRIMARY (BMP) & ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (BME) PTO!

#### **PTO Mission**

The Black Mountain Schools Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) seeks to encourage staff, build community at Black Mountain Primary (K-3rd) and Elementary (4-5th) Schools and support our children in their learning.

The overall purpose of PTO is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

#### **PTO Meetings**

The PTO meets the first Monday every other month at 3:15pm. We alternate the location between the Primary School and the Elementary School Media Centers.

Each meeting is for **both** schools and will have information relevant to both. Parents and caregivers of students are welcome, as well as children.

The next meeting will be on

Monday, September 9 at 3:15pm at the the Primary School Media Center.

#### Communications

Sign up for our weekly email and follow us on Social Media to keep up with the latest events! Go to *tinyurl.com/blackmtnpto* to sign up.

#### How to Join the PTO

It's free! Every parent/caregiver is automatically a member. Simply start by connecting with us at our events, volunteering, or attending the PTO Meetings!

#### **PTO PROGRAMS**

Lunch Buddies
Black Mountain Schools Give Back
Specific Fundraisers and Events
Staff Appreciation

Parent Coffee Social Communications Grounds/Gardens Room Parents

#### **PRESIDENT**

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## Parent Coffee Social.

8/23/19 @ 8AM LOCATION TBA



#### SCHOOL TIPS AND HINTS!

The first day of school this year will be August 19th, 2019. The school schedule is posted on *buncombeschools.org* (dates can change)!

Important information about the school can be found in the student handbook, which you can download at each of the school websites. The information below is not a substitute for reading the school handbook (bmes.buncombeschools.org/ or bmps.buncombeschools.org/ under Parents).

Both the Primary and Elementary schools are part of **Buncombe County Schools**. Both schools are part of the **Owen district**. The BCS website is www.buncombeschools.org

**Specials.** This is what our school calls the time when your child will go to either Art, Music, P.E., Library, Guidance, or STEAM/STEM lab. Each day your child will go to a special.

**Clubs.** These happen on Spirit Days. Each child gets to choose a club that they are interested in such as animals, Spanish, exercise, art, etc. These can vary by grade.

**Lunch.** You can visit and eat lunch with your child if you would like, don't forget to get a visitor's tag first. Some teachers prefer you to wait until after the first month so that a routine can be established before visiting (especially for kindergartners). There is more info at *nutrition.BuncombeSchools.org.* Parents can request that their school nutrition manager add a message to their student's account to limit a-lacarte purchases. You can load money and see what your child has purchased at <a href="https://www.k12paymentcenter.com/">https://www.k12paymentcenter.com/</a>.

school colors, burgundy and gray! Clubs are also on these days. **After School Clubs.** There are after school clubs, and early dismissal clubs (BME) such as Primary Players, Garden Club, Chess Club, etc. Each vary by grade level, with most being for the older grade levels - your teacher should

Spirit Days. Spirit Days are on the 4th Friday of each month. Wear our

provide you with more information if it is available for your child.

# We would love for you to be a part of our PTO!

#### PTO Meetings 2019-20

Tue July 30, 2019

• 5:30pm - General PTO @BMP

Fri Aug 23, 2019

• 8 am - Parent Coffee Social

Mon Sep 9, 2019

• 3:15pm - First PTO Meeting, @ BMP

Mon Oct 7, 2019

 3:15pm - Executive Board PTO Meeting @ BME

Mon Nov 4, 2019

 5:30pm - General PTO Meeting @ BMP

Mon Dec 2, 2019

 3:15pm - Executive Board PTO Meeting @ BMP

Mon Jan 6, 2020

 3:15pm - General PTO Meeting @ BMP

Mon Feb 3, 2020

 3:15pm - Executive Board PTO Meeting @ BME

Mon Mar 9, 2020

 5:30pm - General PTO Meeting @ BME

Mon Apr 13, 2020

 3:15pm - Executive Board PTO Meeting @ BMP

Mon May 4, 2020

 3:15pm - General PTO Meeting @ BME