



# BALLARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

August 2022



### Welcome Back!!!

We are thrilled to welcome back our Ballard Vikings!! If this is your first year at Ballard we are excited to welcome you to the Ballard family. To our returning families, thank you for continuing to allow us the privilege to teach your child. This school year will bring new adventures, new friends, and great learning experiences. We will have family nights throughout the year including the Fall Fun Night, Ballard Ball, and much more. The staff at Ballard is committed to providing your child with a safe and welcoming environment. Together we will have a wonderful 2022-2023 school year!

**If you have any question or concerns you can reach me at [jennifer.shabazz@nilesschools.org](mailto:jennifer.shabazz@nilesschools.org) or 269-683-5900.**

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### August, 2022

Aug. 18: Class lists posted and shared

Aug. 29: First day of school for 1st - 5th graders. HALF DAY- Dismissal is 11:50.

Aug. 29: Back to School Night for Kinder and KinderConnections from 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Aug. 30: First Day of School for Kinder and KinderConnections

#### September, 2022

Sept. 2-5: No School (Labor Day)

Sept. 15th: Back to School Night 1st - 5th Grade from 5:00 - 7:00PM

### TRANSPORTATION:

(269) 684-1420

Please call Transportation for any questions. If you need to change your address you can visit the District website at [nilesschools.org](http://nilesschools.org). The transportation link is on the homescreen.

### FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH INFORMATION

We ask all families to fill out the free and reduced lunch form. You can find the form on the District website. Go to the District tab, then District Services, then Food Service-Chartwells. The link will be listed there.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Office Hours: The office is open from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM daily

Arrival Time: The doors will open at 8:35 AM.

Dismissal Time: Dismissal will begin at 3:40 PM

Breakfast: All students will be provided breakfast daily.

Medication: Stop by the school to pick up forms and drop off medication.

Car Riders: If you were a car rider last year you will use the same tag and number this school year.

Volunteer: Volunteer forms may be picked up at the office.

Student Information Sheet: Each child must fill out an updated blue information sheet and turn it into the office. (Enclosed)

### Need to pick your child up early?

Any transportation changes need to be communicated to the office by 3:00pm on the day of the change. We cannot guarantee that requests made after 3:00pm will be communicated to the proper staff members. The student will be called down to the office *once the parent or person signing the child out is present*. After 3:15 P.M., we ask that all students remain in the classroom until dismissal.

