Lucille J. Bradley Elementary Handbook Addendum 2023 - 2024

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The Conroe ISD Student Handbook includes important information that is relevant to all elementary schools.

This addendum will have specific information relating to Lucille J. Bradley Elementary.

Welcome to Lucille J. Bradley Elementary School!

The beginning of a year is always an exciting time, and we are looking forward to another successful year!

At Lucille J. Bradley Elementary, we believe that, in collaboration with parents and community members, Lucille J. Bradley Elementary will provide a safe, caring, and positive learning environment that celebrates diversity and instills a desire for learning while meeting the individual needs of all students. Through motivation and high expectations, every child will achieve personal and academic success today and for a lifetime.

The 2023-2024 Conroe Independent School District Student/Parent Handbook is available to you online at www.conroeisd.net. The purpose of this handbook addendum is to inform you of important information regarding day to day life at Bradley; however, at times it may be necessary to make a few changes during the school year. In this event, you will be notified via letter, email, or website. Please visit our school website at http://bradley.conroeisd.net as important information and events will be posted there frequently. In fact, you may want to bookmark this address for easy access. You can also follow us on Facebook or Twitter @BradleyElemCISD.

Please be sure to give us every available phone number and contact we might need in case of an emergency. If your phone number changes throughout the year, please update our records by sending in a note with your child.

I am looking forward to working together with you, and I feel certain that you will enjoy being a part of the Bradley Bears family.

Proud to be your Principal, Dr. Christine Butler Principal

Bradley Bears are expected to

Be honest and kind.

 Σ xpect to be challenged to do my best.

Act responsibly, even when no one is watching.

R espect myself, others and my surroundings.

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Office Staff

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Stacy Gomez	Assistant Principal
Sunnye Nowlin	Assistant Principal
Amber McDuffie	Counselor
Jessica Chavez	Counselor
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Susan Vein	Secretary
Erin Morse	Secretary
Sabrina Maddox	Registrar/Attendance
Rachel Murphy, R.N	Nurse

2023-2024 Parent Orientations

AUGUST 7th

New Family Orientation 1st - 4th Grade 3:30 p.m.

Meet & Greet, Come & Go 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

A - M Last Names | 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. **N - Z Last Names** | 5:45 - 6:30 p.m.

School Hours 8:00 a.m. to 3:10 p.m. Doors open at 7:35 a.m.

Lucille J. Bradley PTO

Our organization is committed to the collaboration between parents and teachers in an effort to maximize the education experience.

Volunteerism is a critical component to a successful PTO, and we encourage all parents to join in whenever possible.

Check our website:

http://bradlev.conroeisd.net/PTO

or email:

bradleybearspto@gmail.com

Bears

Arrival

Students should not arrive at school before 7:35 a.m. At 7:35 a.m., the school doors will open for all students.

Car riders are to be dropped off at the front porch no earlier than 7:35 a.m. Safety Patrols are available to assist your child out of the car at the front drop off area. Because the traffic becomes very congested, we encourage you to use the school bus if possible. (Your children are never marked tardy if they ride the bus.)

Crossing guards are available from 7:30 - 8:00 a.m.

Attendance

Our children learn an amazing amount while in class. We don't want anyone to come to school ill, but please have your child attend school every day possible. Make up work only includes written class work and homework. The actual teaching is the most important component that your child misses. Please schedule all vacations during days students are not expected to attend school.

Attendance is officially recorded at 9:00 a.m. each day. When a student is absent, please call the school by 9:00 a.m. and provide a note explaining each absence within three days after returning to school. See the CISD handbook for more information about doctor's appointments, etc. Please make every attempt to schedule appointments outside of school time. However, if your child is absent due to a medical appointment, he/she will be counted present if the student is returned back to school on the same day with a doctor's note that verifies the appointment and a HCP (Healthcare Professional) form is completed at the front office. All students, including Pre-Kinder and Kindergarten students, are subject to compulsory attendance laws.

Tardies

The tardy bell rings at 8:00 a.m.; students will be counted tardy if they are not in the school building at that time. Students arriving after 8:00 a.m. will need to report to the front office to be signed in as tardy. After 8:05 a.m., a parent should accompany the child into the building to document the reason for the tardy at the front office. It is the parent's responsibility to sign-in the student.

Students with excessive tardies or early dismissals may be subject to administrative action. Students arriving after 9:00 a.m. will be counted absent unless they are brought to school with a note from the doctor verifying the appointment and the parent completes a HCP (Healthcare Professional) form at the front office (*Please see the above section labeled "Attendance"*).

Security and Visitors

Safety is a top concern, and surveillance cameras are placed at all doors and in the hallways of our school. Each camera records all activity. All outside doors are locked including the front doors which have a call button to notify the front office. All visitors must report to the front office to sign in and receive a visitor name tag. The receptionist will ask for your driver's

license which will be scanned using a system that is connected to the database that provides an alert for any person who may jeopardize the safety of our campus. After your license is scanned, a name tag will be printed for you showing the date and the purpose of your visit.

Please know that every visitor must wear a name tag, and anyone without one will be stopped. Visitors must return to the front office before leaving the building to turn in their visitor tag to be checked out of the building. Even though this is time consuming, it is essential to our children's safety. For your child's protection, parents and visitors are not allowed to go to their child's classroom to pick them up during or at the end of the day. All student check out is through the front office.

If you need to pick up your child, you will be asked for your driver's license. Students will only be released to a parent, guardian, or other designated emergency contact listed on the Emergency Information Card with picture ID. **Emergency contacts** are those persons with whom you give permission to pick up your child from school. By listing their name, you give them the right to sign your child out of school in the event we are unable to reach you. Persons listed are also permitted to sign your child out for any reason with your prior permission in the form of a handwritten note or fax *including your signature*. The emergency contact's name must be listed on the Emergency Card. You may list as many contacts as you wish.

Student ID

All students are issued a 6 digit ID number. This number is used in the cafeteria line, library check out, bus registration and Parent Access.

You can find the Student ID on their previous report card from CISD or on the yellow registration form that will come home the first week of school.

If you are a new student to Bradley or have any questions, please contact the front office at 832-482-6800.

Child Nutrition

Student breakfast costs \$2.00, and student lunches cost \$3.20. You can manage your child's lunch account online by going to www.myschoolbucks.com and following the registration process. You will need your child's assigned Student ID for this process.

The cafeteria will accept lunch money from 7:35-8:00 a.m. or you can send money or checks to school with your child. Checks must be written for \$25 or greater.

To find what is being served in the cafeteria visit the CISD website www.conroeisd.net, choose "Students/Parents", "Child Nutrition", "Ele/Int Lunch Menus", and selecting "Click Here For List of Schools" or visit Bradley's website.

It is a good idea to keep money in your child's account in case they forget their lunch or lose it on the way to school. Your child will use their 6 digit student ID to check out in the cafeteria. This avoids all problems associated with lost money, etc.

Recess/Lunch Schedule

The first 30 minutes is lunch. The next 30 minutes is recess and a bathroom break.

GRADE	LUNCH	RECESS
4 th grade	11:00 - 11:30	11:30 - 12:00
3 rd grade	11:20 – 12:50	11:50 – 12:20
1st grade	11:50 – 12:20	12:20 – 12:50
2 nd grade	12:10 – 12:40	12:40 – 1:10
Kindergarten	12:40 – 1:10	1:10 - 1:40
PreK	12:50 – 1:20	AM and PM times

Please do not plan to visit your child during lunch during the first few weeks of school; we will be busy teaching cafeteria rules and procedures. However, *starting Monday, August 21, 2023*, we welcome you to join your child for lunch.

Eating lunch and attending school activities with students, as long as current guidelines allow for it, when appropriate, is welcomed; however, if someone other than you plans to have lunch or attend school activities with your child, written authorization from a parent is required for any person, including relatives. This prevents just anyone from coming in and having lunch or attending school activities with your child.

Bus Transportation

Buses in CISD are available to every student living more than one mile from the school, with the exception of parts of Creekside. We encourage you to use the bus system if possible. New students must request transportation services during the registration process. Returning Bradley students have the option of going to the CISD website – www.conroeisd.net – to request bus transportation for your child. You can choose "What Bus Do I Ride?" at that site. (You will need your child's assigned Student ID for this process.) Students will only be delivered to a stop near the home address that we have on file in the PEIMS office.

Please know that students are not allowed to ride a different bus to go home with a friend. Students are assigned one bus route; this is the only bus they are allowed to ride.

Alternate address transportation forms are used only for permanent daycare type situations and prior approval is required. The alternate address form can be accessed from the following website: http://conroeisd.net/transportation/.

As can be expected, buses will not be on schedule for the first couple of weeks until bus routes have been finalized. The transportation department will be monitoring the average number of bus riders per bus prior to making any permanent changes. They are unable to finalize routes if students are not on the bus. Therefore, we recommend if your child will be a regular bus rider that they begin riding the bus on the first day of school. If after two weeks you have concerns regarding bus transportation, we recommend you contact the transportation department at 832-592-8850.

Changing Transportation

For the safety of your child, transportation changes are only to be used in an emergency situation. Any necessary changes must be made in writing before 2:15 p.m. In an emergency, changes can be faxed to 832-482-6899 or emailed to bradley@conroeisd.net. Please call the office to notify us that you are sending a fax.

Transportation changes <u>can NOT</u> be made after 2:15 p.m. This includes parent walk-ins at the end of the day, so please plan accordingly. Students can not be checked out after 2:15 p.m.

By following these procedures, dismissal should flow smoothly.

Day Care

If your child is absent or is not using day care that day, please notify the day care facility. Day care drivers will not leave without accounting for all children.

Dismissal

All **bike riders** and **walkers** will be dismissed by the bike racks. PreK and Kindergarten students will not be allowed to walk or bike home without an adult with a name card.

Bus riders will be walked to their buses.

Car riders: Parents are not to pick up their children from the porch. All car riders must go through the car rider line. In order to pick up your child through the car rider line, you must have your school issued car rider sign visible at pick up time. If you don't have a car rider sign, you will be asked to go to the front office and show your driver's license and wait until the pick-up line has ended (usually by 3:30 p.m.). If you car pool, all car rider names will need to be listed on your car rider sign to pick up students.

Severe Weather Dismissal

No students will be walkers or bike riders on severe weather dismissals. On severe weather days, the decision to call the dismissal will be made by 2:45 p.m. Severe weather dismissal will be called for thunder and lightning, hail, or other severe weather. It will not be called for only rain. Every teacher will ask you to fill out a severe weather dismissal plan. This is what we will use to make sure your child goes home safely. If your child is a car rider or registered bus rider, nothing will change. If your child is a walker or bike rider, you need to choose if your child will ride the bus or be a car rider on severe weather days. We do not allow children to walk or ride bikes if there is severe weather. Please communicate this information with your children to avoid any anxiety about their transportation home on extreme weather days.

Teacher Conference Times

PreK	9:05 – 9:55 a.m.
Kindergarten	10:55 – 11:45 a.m.
First grade	10:00 – 10:55 a.m.
Second grade	1:20 – 2:10 p.m.
Third grade	12:25 – 1:15 p.m.
Fourth grade	2:15 – 3:05 p.m.
CAMP (art, PE, Music, Library)	8:15 – 9:05 a.m.

All parents will be asked to attend a yearly parent conference with your child's teacher.

Early Release Dismissal

Conroe ISD has scheduled two early dismissal days this year to accommodate for parent conferences and extended grade level planning. Lucille J. Bradley Elementary students will be dismissed at 12:10 p.m. on December 15, 2023, and May 23, 2024. Regular dismissal procedures will be followed on these days.

All students will be fed lunch on our early release days; however, lunch will be at a different scheduled time. Students will eat lunch in their classrooms on early release days. There will be no lunch visitors on these days.

CAMP Classes

CAMP classes include P.E., Music, and Art. Appropriate shoes are required for P.E. classes. For safety, no flip flops are allowed. Children may bring a change of shoes in their backpacks if necessary.

Excused from P.E.

Physical education is an important part of a child's educational experience and is required by state law. A written excuse is required in the event a child needs to be excused from participation in physical education. If he or she cannot participate for a period of more than five days, a doctor's statement must be presented to the school. A note from the physician releasing the student to return to regular participation in physical education will also be required. In this situation, they are not allowed to participate in recess as well.

Special Events (Birthdays, Holidays, etc.) –

Deliveries to school: The delivery of food, flowers, balloons, etc. to students at school is not permitted. However, if a student forgets a lunch, an assignment or project, money to pay dues or fines, deliveries may be made to the front office for the student to pick up during the school day. Class instruction will not be interrupted to deliver items or messages to students, unless an emergency, as deemed by a school administrator, exists. All deliveries are subject to search at the discretion of the campus administrator.

Student Nutrition Guidelines

All treats provided for birthday celebrations, holiday parties, and school events must be store bought. Homemade items *are not allowed* due to allergies, safety, and sanitary concerns.

Personal birthday party invitations can be distributed at school

if the whole class is invited. If this is not possible, please mail classmates your child's invitations. Please understand Bradley is not able to provide addresses to other families for our students. We are sorry for this inconvenience.

Communication - Bradley Broadcast

Email is our primary communication tool for all school events and information. In an effort to save time and paper, the *Bradley Broadcast*, our monthly school newsletter, will be distributed electronically the beginning of each month via parent email and the Bradley webpage at http://bradley.conroeisd.net. You may want to bookmark this address for easy access. Information and events will be posted there frequently. It is vital that parents read the newsletter to be aware of scheduled events and activities throughout the year.

Teacher and staff web pages will be available from the Bradley home page as well as PTO information.

If you do not have access to the Internet and require a paper copy, please let your child's teacher know so that accommodations can be made.

Friday Folders will be sent home with your child each Friday. Please check this folder weekly for grades and other important information.

Damage to Bradley Property

Lucille J. Bradley Elementary provides a variety of furniture, instructional resources and materials that are used throughout our day to enhance student learning. Teachers and students alike rely on these resources throughout the day in many different ways. Please know that families may be held financially responsible to fix or replace items that are damaged during any inappropriate use of the item.

Parent Access

Parent Access is a free program available to all CISD parents/ guardians. Once you register for a Parent Access account, you will have access to grades, report cards, progress reports, attendance, discipline records, cafeteria accounts, and more. At some point in the future, progress reports and report cards may only be published in Parent Access, so it is imperative that you register.

Parents wishing to access Parent Access must have a valid email address on file in the PEIMS office. To sign up, visit the district's website at www.conroeisd.net and choose "Parent Access" under the "Parent/Student" tab. You must re-enroll in the program at the beginning of every school year for each child. If you need assistance with the parent access registration process please call 832-663-4200.

Progress Reports and Report Card Schedule

Progress reports will be available in Parent Access at the mid point in each nine-week grading period.

Report cards will be available via Parent Access on October 16, January 8, and March 25. End of year report cards will

be mailed home by June 5th. Please look closely at the information on your child's report card. According to CISD School Board policy, "promotion to the next grade level shall be based on an overall average of 70 on a scale of 100 based on course-level, grade-level standards (essential knowledge and skills) for all subject areas and a grade of 70 or above in three of the following areas: language arts, mathematics, and either science or social studies".

Curriculum

Every parent is encouraged to visit the Texas Education Agency website at www.tea.state.tx.us. Curriculum for each grade level comes directly from the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills available at this site. Curriculum taught in each classroom is the same, though activities may vary.

Assessment and Testing

Texas has a state assessment, STAAR (State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness). Third and fourth graders are required to participate in the STAAR reading and math tests.

STAAR math testing window: April 23 - May 3 STAAR reading testing window: April 9 - 19

TELPAS

All limited English proficient (LEP) students are required to participate in the Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS). This assessment includes a variety of subjects tested throughout several testing windows during the spring semester. More information will be sent home to students involved in this assessment closer to time.

Bradley PTO

Please refer to your PTO packet for information on joining PTO, ordering Bradley spirit items, and how to become involved in supporting your school. Our PTO offers parents many opportunities to volunteer at our school.

Miscellaneous Information

Please send a water bottle to school with your child. We want students to have access to water at all times.

Transportation of Medication

In the interest of safety for all students, medications cannot be transported to or from school on the school bus. Should your child need to have medication at school please bring or make arrangements for the medication to be brought to the clinic by the parent or guardian. Students may not bring medications from home in their backpack for delivery to the nurse. All medications must be signed into the clinic by the adult parent or guardian. For your convenience, many of the local pharmacies will provide a second labeled container for medications needed at school. Please note: If a medication is required daily or twice-a-day, please administer at home. Many three-times-a-day orders may also be given at home unless the doctor requests specific time during school day. All medication must be kept in the clinic during the school day.

Over-the-counter medication dosage must not exceed the dose recommendation listed on the bottle. Exception: If your physician, dentist, or orthodontist has directed a certain dosage to be given that is greater than that recommended on the bottle, a written order will need to be included with the written permission from the parent.

The school must receive a written and dated request from the parent or legal guardian to administer any medication. This permission must include the name of the drug, the exact dosage and reason or purpose the student is to receive the medication. Prescription and non-prescription drugs must be in the original container and properly labeled. Medications given at school must be approved by the Federal Drug Administration (FDA). Only the guidelines printed on the container will be followed unless a physician order is present.

Deliveries

Delivery of distracting items such as flowers, balloons, etc. to students at school is not permitted. If you need to drop off of any items for your child, please label with the student's name and teacher and leave it at the front office. Deliveries are made to the classrooms at 10:00 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Lost and Found

Please label all lunch kits, sweaters and coats that are brought to school with your child's first and last name. In cooler weather, the children tend to wear these to school and take them off as the day grows warmer. If you are missing an article of clothing, please ask in the front office for the Lost and Found location. All unclaimed items are donated at the end of each month.





2023-2024 School Calendar

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Report Cards

Individual campuses will report distribution date for report cards after each grading period.

Days of Instruction

	Students	Teachers
1st Semester	84	92
2nd Semester	90	95
Total Days	174	187

Grading Periods

1st Semester	
Grading period	Ends
1st	October 5
2nd	December 15
2nd Samester	

2nd Semester

Grading period	Ends
1st	March 8
2nd	May 23

Students

August 9

Starting date

Ending date	May 23
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Starting date	August 1
Ending date	May 24

Student Holidays

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Labor Day	September 4
Holiday	October 6 - 9
Holiday	November 7
ThanksgivingNo	vember 20 - 24
Winter Break	.Dec. 18 - Jan. 2
Martin Luther King, Jr.	DayJan. 15
Holiday	February 16
Presidents' Day	February 19
Holiday	March 5
Spring Break	March 11 - 15
HolidayM	arch 29 - April 1
Holiday	April 19

Student Early Release

December 15 May 23

Teacher Work Days

August 8 January 2 May 24

Staff Development

August 1 - 7 February 16
October 6 March 5
November 7 April 19

Student Make-up Days

Make-up day for inclement weather (if needed), is:

Students February 16