

# The Country Isles **CHRONICLE**



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## **Welcome Back**

What a great opening! Thanks to all of our students and parents for a fantastic beginning of the year! Students are getting adjusted to their new classes and getting to know new faces around the school. There are many exciting activities planned throughout the year. Look for announcements in the *Chronicle* and mark your calendars.

## **Open House**

Open House is around the corner. This is a great time to learn more about classroom expectations, rules, and procedures. Grade level curriculum will be reviewed. Teachers are anxious to meet every parent, but are unable to have individual conferences at this time. The schedules for Open House are as follows:

Wednesday, August 30 , 7:00-7:45 p.m.  
Grades K – 2, Cluster

Wednesday, September 6, 7:00-7:45 p.m.  
Grades 3-5

## **School Public Accountability Report (SPAR)**

No Child Left Behind federal legislation and Florida Statute requires that schools provide parents with an annual school status report. If you would like to review this report it is available in the front office.

## **Arrival and Dismissal Procedures**

Arrival and Dismissal at the beginning of the school year is always hectic. It takes time to learn new routines and procedures. Please remember do not park in the back loop, it is only for drop off and pick up. If you arrive after 8:00 a.m. please escort your child to the office to obtain a late pass. We appreciate all the patience and helpful hands to ensure the safety of our students.

## **Arrive on Time!**

Arriving to school on time is crucial to the start of a productive day! Students are allowed to enter their classrooms at 7:55 a.m. This gives them time to unpack their supplies so they are ready to work when the bell rings at 8:00 a.m.

## **Report to the Front Office**

The safety and protection of our students is of the utmost importance. Please report to the office before going to a classroom. Everyone will be given a badge or sticker to wear for identification purposes. If you are seen on campus without a badge you will be asked to report to the office to sign in.

## **Independence Day**

On Wednesday, September 6th, we will celebrate Independence Day at Country Isles. All students can wear red, white and blue to celebrate their independence. Students will show their independence by walking to their class unescorted. We request that parents drop their children off in the appropriate car loops where they will be carefully supervised by our staff.

## **Mark Your Calendars !**

**The Broward County School Board continues to support Early Release days. On the following days students will be released at 12:00 p.m.:**

**August 24th  
October 19th  
December 21st  
March 15th  
April 26th  
May 31st**

## **Birthdays**

Our School recognizes birthdays on our morning T.V. announcements. Please do not send cakes or treats for your child's birthday. If you would like special recognition for your child please see Ms. Loy, our Media Specialist, and purchase a book for our Media Center in his/her name.

Copies of this document can be found at [www.countryisles.net](http://www.countryisles.net)

For the latest updates from the county visit [www.browardschools.com](http://www.browardschools.com)

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## **Welcome To P.T.A.!**

The next P.T.A. Meeting is Wednesday, August 23rd at 8:30 a.m. in the cafeteria. P.T.A. is an excellent place to become involved with school activities. If you are not a member of P.T.A. it is not too late. Join us at the next meeting and you will receive a No Uniform Pass for your child/children to use on the Monday after the P.T.A. Meeting.

## **Safety Tips**

Broward Sheriff Department wants to remind parents and students of some important tips to ensure students safety to and from school:

- Discuss the safest route to and from school or to the bus stop.
- Encourage your child to walk with friends.
- Tell children to avoid places that could be dangerous.
- Map out the route you will help your children select.
- Talk about why it is safer to cross at the corners using crosswalks.
- Help your children understand how important it is to cooperate with deputies, school safety patrols and adult crossing guards.
- Teach your children to STOP, LISTEN, and LOOK for approaching and turning vehicles.
- Stress the importance of allowing enough time to cross the street safely.
- Make sure your children understand they must walk not run across the street.
- Remind children never to go with strangers.
- Encourage and praise your children for following the guidelines for safe walking everyday.

## **Cafeteria**

Breakfast and lunch will be offered daily.

**Breakfast \$1.00**

**Lunch \$1.75**

Breakfast and/or lunch can be prepaid by week or month. If you choose to prepay meals please see the cashier in the morning to expediate lunch lines in the cafeteria. Every Wednesday is ice cream day. Ice Cream will be sold for \$.60.

## **Be A STAR Volunteer**

Be a STAR Volunteer at Country Isles. Apply online today!

Go to [www.getinvolvedineducation.com](http://www.getinvolvedineducation.com) to fill out your volunteer application. All information is secured. In order to volunteer at school or chaperone on field trips this form must be completed on-line. Once your application has been reviewed you will be able to volunteer. You must report to the front office and show identification to receive your volunteer badge.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**August 23rd** -P.T.A. Mtg. 8:30

**August 24th**- Early Release Day

**August 28th**- SAC Meeting 2:15 p.m.

**August 30th**-Open House Grades K-2, Cluster 7:00 p.m.

**September 6th**- Open House Grades 3-5 7:00 p.m.