



Biggs Elementary School

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Welcome Back to School!**

Dear Biggs Elementary Families,

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year! We are excited to welcome our students and families back to campus and look forward to another wonderful year of learning and growth.

For those of you I have not yet had the opportunity to meet, my name is **Tracey McPeters**. With the retirement of Mrs. Landers, I am honored to serve as Principal of Biggs Elementary School, Biggs Middle School, and Richvale Charter Academy. For the past three years, I have had the privilege of serving the students and families of Biggs Middle School and Richvale Charter Academy. Prior to coming to Biggs Unified, I served as a superintendent, principal, middle school English and history teacher, and fourth-grade teacher in Sutter County. I am excited to begin this new chapter and look forward to getting to know our TK–5 students and families while continuing to support our middle school students.

I would also like to introduce our new Vice Principal, **Ricardo Galicia**. Mr. Galicia brings 13 years of experience in public education, primarily as an Education Specialist, and has a passion for supporting all students, especially those who need us most. He is excited to become part of the Biggs community and looks forward to partnering with our families to make this a successful school year.

This year our focus is to continue improving academic achievement, increasing student engagement, and promoting positive behavior. We are strengthening our mathematics instruction through new curriculum and professional learning while continuing to implement restorative practices that build positive relationships and support student success. We remain committed to providing a safe, welcoming environment where every student feels valued, challenged, and supported. As Wolverines, we will also continue building pride in our school and community.

We are excited to welcome several new staff members this year: **Ms. Hall** (TK/K Combination), **Mr. Wenger** (3rd/4th Combination), **Ms. Ingersoll** (6th Grade), and **Mr. Meyer**, who will teach middle school social studies and 6th grade physical education.

Middle school students will continue rotating classes throughout the day and will have opportunities to participate in electives such as ASB/Yearbook, Art, STEM, Film, and Academic Support. Students in grades 7



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and 8 will continue walking to the high school gym for PE. Homeroom teachers are Ms. Ingersoll (6th), Mrs. Chavez and Mr. Meyer (7th), and Ms. Proper and Mrs. Byers (8th).

School supply lists are available on our website, and class lists will be posted by **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4**. To allow students time to adjust to their classrooms, class placement changes will not be considered until after the first month of school.

School begins each day at **8:05 a.m.** Breakfast is served beginning at **7:30 a.m.**, and students should not arrive earlier than 7:30 am, unless they are transported by school bus. TK–5 students are dismissed at **2:10 p.m.**, and grades 6–8 are dismissed at **3:15 p.m.** Every Wednesday is an early release day, with all students dismissed at **2:10 p.m.**

Families interested in volunteering in classrooms, attending field trips, chaperoning or driving for middle school athletics must complete and be cleared through the district fingerprinting process. This information is available at the district office. Fingerprinting screening will be available during Back-to-School Night at no cost.

Back-to-School Night will be held on **Wednesday, August 5, from 6:00–7:00 p.m.** To accommodate families with multiple children, classroom presentations will be offered in two sessions: **6:00–6:25 p.m.** and **6:35–7:00 p.m.** Middle school families will meet in the cafeteria so students can connect with all of their teachers.

The **first day of school is Thursday, August 6**. This year, students will report directly to their classrooms at **8:05 a.m.** rather than beginning the day with a schoolwide flag salute.

We are also looking for parents and community members interested in coaching **7th and 8th grade girls volleyball** and **6th, 7th, and 8th grade boys basketball**. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. McPeters.

Our **PAWS Parent Club** is also looking for volunteers. PAWS provides tremendous support for our students through fundraising for the PBIS Store, Shady Creek, assemblies, family events, and many other activities throughout the year. We encourage you to become involved and help make our school even stronger.

Upcoming Events

- **August 5:** Back-to-School Night (TK–8), 6:00–7:00 p.m.
- **August 6:** First Day of School
- **August 26:** Picture Day
- **August 28:** Student of the Month Assemblies (6–8: 9:10 a.m.; TK–5: 1:30 p.m.)
- **September 7:** Labor Day – No School



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- **September 8:** Middle School Progress Reports
- **September 8–25:** BES Jog-a-Thon
- **September 9:** Board Meeting (6:30 p.m.); 8th Grade Graduation/Fundraising Meeting (5:30 p.m.); 6th Grade Shady Creek Meeting (6:00 p.m.)
- **September 22:** Academic Night featuring STEAM and literacy activities.

We look forward to partnering with you throughout the school year to ensure every student has a successful and rewarding experience. We believe strong communication between home and school is essential, and we encourage you to reach out with any questions or concerns. Please contact the school office to schedule an appointment or email us anytime at tmceters@biggs.org or rgalicia@biggs.org.

Thank you for your continued support of Biggs Elementary School. We are excited for another fantastic year and can't wait to welcome our Wolverines back to campus!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Tracey McPeters
Principal

Mr. Ricardo Galicia
Vice Principal