



# The **BULLDOG EXPRESS**

**HARRISBURG R-VIII SCHOOLS  
HARRISBURG, MISSOURI**

**July 2016**



## FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

The African Proverb, "It takes a village to raise a child" is often thought to be overused, but I would counter the statement reminds us about the importance of community support for our children. The students of our school district are truly blessed to have the tremendous support of a fabulous community! From young adults to senior citizens, neighbors to church groups, businesses to hobbyists, and organized volunteer groups to individuals who simply call and offer ideas and assistance, our students receive support from all corners of our school district.

If you have been engaged with our schools over the years, THANK YOU! If you are new to the community or just haven't found an opportunity to become involved with our schools, please know there are many ways to be involved. You can be involved with specific projects and activities, or you can simply enjoy student performances, activities, and competitions.

Throughout the school year, there are many opportunities to watch our students perform and compete athletically and academically. Sports schedules, as well as dates for quiz bowl matches, speech competitions, music performances and competitions, and many more activities can be found on the district's website ([www.harrisburg.k12.mo.us](http://www.harrisburg.k12.mo.us)). We have really talented students and I believe you will not regret spending an evening letting them entertain you!

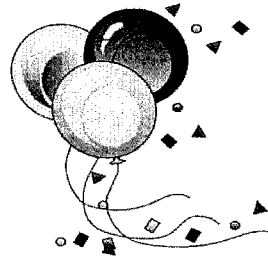
If you would like to be more actively engaged with our school district, there are many opportunities for that as well. We have a very active Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). The group meets monthly throughout the school year and sponsors many activities that support our students, teachers, and families. Although our PTO officers would love to have you join them at the monthly meetings, you certainly don't have to attend to be involved in PTO activities. The Harrisburg Booster Club also works throughout the year to support ALL extra-curricular activities. Like PTO, you do not need to attend the monthly meetings (but you are welcome to) to be involved in Booster Club activities. Information about PTO and Harrisburg Booster Club can also be found on the district's website under the Resources/Parents tabs.

There are also many other opportunities to volunteer your time and expertise to help enhance our students' school experiences. Volunteers are always needed to assist in the teachers' workrooms making copies and helping with other classroom projects. Many teachers love to have volunteers who are willing to read to students and assist with activities in their classrooms. There is a fabulous group of volunteers who help maintain our Outdoor Classroom and work with classes that are participating in lessons and activities in that location. We always need volunteers to serve as room parents, and the list goes on. If you are interested in learning more about any of these opportunities, please call me (573-875-5604) and I will put you in touch with the appropriate contact. You may also watch our Facebook feed for information on

upcoming activities and volunteer needs (Harrisburg R-8 School District).

I am truly grateful for all of the people who made last school year a huge success for our students. Amazing teachers, staff, parents, and community supporters worked together to make great things happen for our children. As we are preparing for the new school year, I am also extremely excited to see what amazing opportunities are in store for our students when we welcome them back in August!

*Lynn Proctor, Superintendent*



**RETIREMENT RECEPTION**  
For  
**Paul Dieckmann**  
**Lori Shultz**  
**Susan Twenter**

**Monday, August 15 2:30 pm**  
**High School Commons**  
**EVERYONE INVITED!**

## COMMUNICATION LINKS

<b>Administration</b> 573-875-5604	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://harrisburg.k12.mo.us">harrisburg.k12.mo.us</a>
<b>Elementary</b> 573-875-0290	<b>Facebook:</b> Harrisburg R-8 School District
<b>Middle School</b> 573-817-5857	<b>High School</b> 573-875-5602

### Harrisburg School District 2016-17 Meal Prices and Fees

Elementary Breakfast, \$1.30  
Second Breakfast Entrée, \$1.00  
Elementary Lunch, \$2.20  
Second Lunch Entrée, \$1.50  
Extra Milk, \$.40

Middle School Breakfast, \$1.30  
Second Breakfast Entrée, \$1.00  
Middle School Lunch, \$2.30  
Second Lunch Entrée, \$1.50  
Extra Milk, \$.40

High School Breakfast, \$1.30  
Second Breakfast Entrée, \$1.00  
High School Lunch, \$2.50  
Second Lunch Entrée, \$1.50  
Extra Milk, \$.40

Family Sports Pass: \$100.00  
Student Activity Fee, \$20.00  
Gate Fee: \$4.00/adult  
\$3.00/students  
Senior Citizens/FREE

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**The Harrisburg  
School District  
is seeking  
substitute teachers  
and  
substitute  
bus drivers.**

**Check out the districts' website and the "Employment" section for job information and application procedures or call 573-875-5604 for more information.**

## ELEMENTARY NEWS

*Tami Strodtman  
Elementary Principal*

It seems like just yesterday we were celebrating all of the outstanding achievements our students made during the last school year! We have so much to be proud of. We are grateful, as always, for the outstanding support we receive from parents, families, volunteers, local churches, businesses, and organizations. Your efforts combined with the best faculty and staff make Harrisburg Elementary School a great place for our kids. Thank you for your part in making our 2015-2016 school year an amazing success! It is our goal to create a fun, positive atmosphere that is conducive to learning and growing academically, socially, and emotionally. We are certainly looking forward to working with you again during the quickly approaching school year to see our goals achieved!

### Summer School

We were privileged once again to be able to offer a five week summer school program to incoming kindergartners through eighth grade students this summer. We had an average of over 200 students were in attendance daily, and we had a blast! Students learned a lot and had a fantastic time doing it!

### Welcome New Teacher

Please welcome a new art teacher to our teaching team! Miss Jamie Daylor will be teaching grades 2 through 5 for elementary as well as several high school classes. We are excited to welcome her as one of our newest bulldogs!

### New Student Enrollment

Enrollment for students new to the district will be held on Thursday, August 4, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the elementary office. Please bring your child's birth certificate, social security number, immunization records, and proof of residency in the district (i.e., a piece of official mail with your name and address). A proof of residency form is available on the school's website.

### Open House

Our annual Elementary Open House will be held on Monday, August 15, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Kindergartners are invited to come an hour earlier at 5:00 p.m. to allow for a quieter time to get acquainted with their teacher and classmates. Pre-kindergarten open house will be held on Friday morning, August 19 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. for four-year-olds and 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for three-year-olds. Please plan to join us as we are excited to see our students and families again and to welcome our new families to the district!

### First Day of School

Our first day of school is August 17. As a reminder, kindergartners do not attend the first full day but are welcome to come in the morning with parents to get to know their teacher and classmates. The first day of preschool is August 23.

We are looking forward to seeing our students again and kicking off an awesome new school year! Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we'll see you soon!

## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

*Kyle Fisher  
Middle School Principal*

It has been a busy summer at Harrisburg Middle School. We have had to say goodbye to our math teacher, Frank Barhorst, who has taken a job at Gentry Middle School in Columbia. Frank has been a great asset to our school district over the past few years and will be greatly missed by all in the Harrisburg community. He will be tough to replace, but we wish him the best of luck at Gentry Middle School!

Stepping in to fill Frank's shoes will be Nathan Carey. Nathan is a 2007 Harrisburg graduate who has been teaching middle school science in the Centralia School District for the last five years. Nathan has a passion for teaching and we have no doubt that he will do a great job as our new middle school math teacher. It is great to welcome Nathan back to the Harrisburg School District!

We are also saying goodbye to our principal for the last three years, Troy Lentz. Mr. Lentz has been a tremendous principal for our teachers and students. We wish him the best of luck in his new job as superintendent of the Norborne School District. He will be greatly missed here in Harrisburg!

Open House is August 15, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

Check the district's website for new immunization requirements for the 2016-17 school year. Health and immunization forms can be found on the News from the Nurse page under Parent Resources on the website. You may email a copy of your child's records to [wardripja@harrisburg.k12.mo.us](mailto:wardripja@harrisburg.k12.mo.us) or fax at (573)875-8936.

## HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

*Steve Combs  
High School Principal*

Summertime, I hope you are enjoying it! School is right around the corner and I am super excited about another year at HHS. To wrap up the 2015-16 school year, congratulations to all of our graduates and good luck to them as they embark on exciting journeys!

State champions! That has a great sound to it doesn't it? The boys' 4x800 meter relay team consisting of sophomores Cody Karl and Christian Jenkins, junior Noah Strawn, and senior John Michael Gillman are state champions and posted a new school record! Congratulations, boys! Our students have been super busy this summer representing Harrisburg at events such as Boys' and Girls' State; Student Council Leadership; on softball, baseball, and football fields; and the hard courts for basketball and cheerleading.

I would like to take some time to welcome some new additions to the bulldog family. Zech Bowman is taking a math position with us. He comes from Hallsville High School and we are excited to have him on board. Dr. Lara Dieckmann (Dr. D) is coming on board to fill Mr. Dieckmann's full-time English position. Dr. D comes to us from Father Tolton Regional Catholic High School where she was named "teacher of the year." I would like to congratulate Mr. Dieckmann on his retirement and welcome him back in the same sentence! Mr. Dieckmann will be teaching English part-time.

Open House is around the corner and so is the new year. Mark your calendar for August 15 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

**DISTRICT WEBSITE: [Harrisburg.k12.mo.us](http://Harrisburg.k12.mo.us)**

## ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR NEWS

*Doug Fessler, Activities Director*

Summer has come and is now nearly gone. School will be beginning very soon and so will the 2016-17 bulldog athletic season! The entire coaching staff has been working very hard this summer with student-athletes to better them for the upcoming season, which proves to be an exciting one in Harrisburg. **Here are a couple of important items to remember if you plan to participate in athletics.**

**PRACTICE** - Practice for high school athletes will begin on Monday, August 1 (see below for details). Practice for middle school athletes in football, girls' cross country and football cheerleading will begin on August 17. Practice for all other sports will be announced closer to the time the particular sport begins.

- High school football player/parent meeting is Sunday, July 31 at 6:00 p.m. (BBQ to follow) in the high school commons. First practice is August 1 at 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- High school cross country first practice is August 1 at 6:00 a.m. at the high school track.
- High school girls' golf meeting will be August 1 at 10:00 a.m. at LA Nickel.
- High school football cheerleading meeting will be August 2 at 9:00 a.m. at the high school.

- High school softball first practice is 8:30 a.m. on August 1 on the softball field.

**PHYSICALS & INSURANCE PAPERS** - Make sure you have a physical prior to your first scheduled practice for all sports. This includes both high and middle school athletes. You **MUST** have a signed physical **and** your insurance paperwork completely filled out and turned in before you can practice. These forms can be found at the MSHSAA website under the Sports Medicine tab at <http://www.mshsaa.org/SportsMedicine>. It is the first link on the left side. Please turn this paperwork into your coaches either on or prior to the first practice. If you have received a physical after February 1, 2016, it will be valid throughout this entire 2016-17 school year.

**Schedules/Announcements** - Game schedules will always be posted on our website at [www.harrisburg.k12.mo.us](http://www.harrisburg.k12.mo.us) prior to the beginning of the season. Results will also be posted on our website throughout each season. Also, make sure you are signed up for School Messenger so you don't miss out on any announcements! Follow Harrisburg High School athletics on Twitter (@Harrisburghath).

As usual, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me at [fesslerd@harrisburg.k12.mo.us](mailto:fesslerd@harrisburg.k12.mo.us). I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at an event!

# HARRISBURG R-VIII ELEMENTARY SUPPLY LIST FOR 2016-17

All teachers request that students bring 3 or 4 large boxes of Kleenex.  
**NO TRAPPER KEEPERS OR BACKPACKS ON WHEELS, PLEASE.**

## PRE-SCHOOL

- 1 full size backpack
- 1 small plastic art box
- 2 boxes crayons
- 2 boxes washable markers
- 1 pkg. dry erase markers
- 4 pencils
- 3 two pocket folders
- 1 full size clipboard
- 1 scissors
- 1 roll paper towels
- 1 box gallon Ziploc bags
- 1 Elmer's glue
- 4 glue sticks
- 3 canisters sanitizing wipes
- 2 containers baby wipes
- 1 can Lysol disinfecting spray
- 3 large boxes Kleenex
- 1 box quart Ziploc bags
- 1 Germ-X

All P.E. students must have a pair of tennis shoes. Supplies purchased for art can also be used in the classroom. Items on both lists need not be duplicated.

- 1 Germ-X
- 1 canister sanitizing wipes
- 3 boxes Kleenex

## THIRD GRADE

- 1 pkg. #2 pencils
- 1 pkg. crayons
- 1 pkg. colored pencils
- 1 box Crayola markers
- 1 bottle Elmer's glue
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 scissors
- 1 ruler metric and standard
- 4 spiral notebooks
- 6 two-pocket folders
- 2 pink erasers
- 1 pkg. pencil cap erasers
- 1 tape (personal dispenser)
- 1 dry erase board & dry erase markers
- 2 boxes Kleenex
- 1 canister of sanitizing wipes
- 1 Germ-X

## FOURTH GRADE

- 8 folders (3 prong w/pockets)
- 1 composition notebook
- 2 pkg. wide-ruled notebook paper
- 1 pkg. yellow #2 pencils
- 1 pkg. highlighters
- 1 pkg. red pens
- 1 6-quart Sterilite box w/lid
- 1 box 24 crayons
- 1 box Crayola markers
- 1 pkg. colored pencils
- 1 bottle Elmer's glue
- 2 Elmer's glue sticks
- 1 Fiskar scissors
- 1 ruler metric and standard
- 1 dry erase board
- 1 pkg. dry erase markers
- 1 canister wet wipes
- 3 boxes Kleenex

## FIFTH GRADE

- 1 pkg. #2 pencils
- 1 pkg. pencil cap erasers
- 1 pkg. looseleaf paper
- 4 70-page wide-lined spiral notebooks
- 6 folders w/pockets and brackets
- 1 box crayons (24-count)
- 1 pkg. colored pencils
- 1 Fiskars scissors
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 box markers
- 1 assignment notebook
- 2 rolls of paper towels
- 1 pkg. index cards
- 1 6-quart Sterilite box w/lid
- 1 pkg. dry erase markers
- 2 highlighters
- 1 canister sanitizing wipes
- 2 boxes Kleenex

## ART—Grades K-5 only

- 2 Sharpies (ultra fine tip)
- 2 Sharpies (fine tip)
- 2 Elmer's glue sticks
- 1 Elmer's glue
- 1 roll scotch tape
- 1 pair scissors
- 1 pkg. 24 count #2 pencils
- 1 pkg. Crayola Line Marker (classic colors)
- 1 pkg. Crayola colored pencils

## KINDERGARTEN

- 1 box washable markers
- 2 boxes of 24 crayons
- 1 box pencils, plain #2
- 1 Fiskars scissors
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 Elmer's glue
- 1 small school box
- 1 dry erase board & eraser (8 x 10)
- 1 box dry erase markers
- 1 notebook, wide-ruled
- 2 pocket folders
- 1 pkg. pencil erasers
- 1 Kindermat
- 1 canister wet wipes
- 2 boxes Kleenex
- 1 box (gallon or quart) Ziploc Bags
- 1 Germ-X

## FIRST GRADE

- 1 box crayons
- 1 box Crayola markers
- 1 composition notebook
- 4 boxes of pencils (Ticonderaga brand)
- 1 small school box
- 1 Fiskars scissors
- 4 glue sticks
- 4 folders (w/pockets and brackets)
- 1 dry erase board & eraser
- 1 box of dry erase markers (NOT Crayola)
- 1 bottle of Germ-X
- 1 clipboard
- 1 canister wet wipes
- 4 boxes of Kleenex

## SECOND GRADE

- 1 box colored pencils
- 1 box Crayola markers
- 1 box 24 crayons
- 3 glue sticks
- 1 Fiskars scissors
- 1 dry erase board & eraser
- 1 dry erase board markers
- 2 pkgs. #2 pencils
- 1 clip board
- 1 spiral notebook (wide-ruled)
- 1 pkg. looseleaf paper (wide-ruled)
- 4 pocket folders
- 1 1-inch binder w/pockets
- 1 pair ear buds
- 1 box quart or gallon Ziploc bags
- 1 pkg. Post-It Notes

# MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2016-17

## All Middle School

- Paper (loose-leaf/notebook)
- 1 1/2" 3-ring binder for each class
- Pencils—24
- Pens—24
- Colored pencils
- Crayons 24-pack
- Highlighters
- Erasers (pencil top/big eraser)
- Elmer's glue sticks
- Scissors
- Folders (1 for each class)
- Tape 2 rolls (deliver to Science)
- Canister of wipes (for Science)
- Folders (5 total)
- Kleenex—4 boxes (to MS office)

## Special Needs/Optional Supplies

- Scientific calculator (7th/8th grade Math)
- TI-84 graphing calculator (Algebra—highly recommended)
- Personal safety goggles (Science)

## Band/Choir

- 1" 3-ring binder (choir)
- Headphones (choir)

## Art (No need to duplicate supplies)

- Colored pencils
- Elmer's school glue—NOT glue sticks
- Big eraser
- Markers (washable)
- Permanent markers (3 black, 1 needs to be ultra fine point)
- Pencils #2 (10 each)
- Binder with loose-leaf paper inside
- Fiskars scissors
- Sketchbook (notebook size)
- Art box (large enough to hold supplies)

## SCHOOL STARTS AUGUST 17!

**New Student Enrollment—Aug. 4**  
(8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.)  
**Open House—August 15**  
(6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)

**Kindergarten Open House—August 15**  
(Begins at 5:00 p.m.)  
**PreSchool Open House—August 19**  
Age 4 (8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.)  
Age 3 (9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.)

## HARRISBURG R-VIII SCHOOL DISTRICT 2016-17 ACADEMIC SCHOOL CALENDAR 4-DAY SCHOOL WEEK

REVISED by BOE July 11, 2016  
(No school on Mondays except where noted.)

### Enrollment and Open House

K-12 New Student Enrollment .....	August 4
Teacher's Workday .....	August 15
Open House (6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.) .....	August 15
Teacher's Workday .....	August 16

### First Quarter

School Begins .....	August 17
Parent Teacher Conferences (1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.) .....	October 3
End of First Quarter (35 days) .....	October 14

### Second Quarter

<b>School in Session</b> .....	<b>Monday, November 21</b>
No School - Thanksgiving Break .....	November 23-25
<b>School in Session</b> .....	<b>Monday, December 19</b>
End of Second Quarter (36 days) .....	December 20
No School - Christmas Break .....	December 21-January 2

### Third Quarter

Third Quarter Begins .....	January 3
Parent Teacher Conferences (1:00 p.m.-7:00p.m.) .....	March 6
End of Third Quarter (40 days) .....	March 10

### Fourth Quarter

No School - Spring Break .....	March 27- 31
2016-2017 Incoming Kindergarten Parent Meeting .....	TBA
2016-2017 Kindergarten Screening .....	TBA
<b>School in Session</b> .....	<b>Monday, May 22</b>
Last Day of School - End of Fourth Quarter (38 days) (HALF DAY) .....	May 23
Graduation .....	May 21
Memorial Day .....	May 29

Make-up days are as follows: first make-up day, February 27; second make-up day, March 13; third make-up day, April 24; fourth make-up day, May 8; fifth make-up day, May 24; sixth make-up day, May 25.

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**PRESS RELEASE**

Harrisburg R-VIII School District announced its revised free and reduced price policy for school children unable to pay the full price of meals served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program.

Local education officials have adopted the following family-size income criteria for determining eligibility:

Household Size	Maximum Household Income Eligible for Free Meals			Maximum Household Income Eligible for Reduced Price Meals		
	Annually	Monthly	Weekly	Annually	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$15,444	\$1,287	\$297	\$21,978	\$1,832	\$423
2	\$20,826	\$1,736	\$401	\$29,637	\$2,470	\$570
3	\$26,208	\$2,184	\$504	\$37,296	\$3,108	\$718
4	\$31,590	\$2,633	\$608	\$44,955	\$3,747	\$865
5	\$36,972	\$3,081	\$711	\$52,614	\$4,385	\$1,012
6	\$42,354	\$3,530	\$815	\$60,273	\$5,023	\$1,160
7	\$47,749	\$3,980	\$919	\$67,951	\$5,663	\$1,307
8	\$53,157	\$4,430	\$1,023	\$75,647	\$6,304	\$1,455
Each additional member	+5,408	+451	+104	+7,696	+642	+148

Children from families whose current income is at or below those shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Applications are available at the school office. To apply, fill out a Free and Reduced Price School Meals Family Application and return it to the school. The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility. Applications may be submitted any time during the school year. A complete application is required as a

condition of eligibility. A complete application includes: (1) household income from all sources or Food Stamp/Temporary Assistance case number, (2) names of all household members, and (3) the signature and last four digits of social security number or indication of no social security number of adult household member signing the application. School officials may verify current income at any time during the school year.

Foster children may be eligible regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside.

If a family member becomes unemployed or if family size changes, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the family eligible for these benefits.

Under the provisions of the policy, the **Building Principals or designee** will review the applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the determining official, they may wish to discuss the decision with the hearing official on an informal basis or he may make a request either orally or in writing to the **Superintendent of Schools**.

Hearing procedures are outlined in the policy. A complete copy of the policy is on file in each school and in the central office where any interested party may review it.

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