

FRIDAY NEWSFLASH

September 8, 2023

The Latest from Govans
Elementary



GOVANS
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

Principal's Note



Hello Govans Families!

We have had an amazing first 2 weeks of school! I am so PROUD of our staff and students' hard work, caring for friends, and energy for learning. I could burst with pride.

Please be mindful we are a uniform school, we wear brown or khaki bottoms with a blue top. Shoes for school should be close toed and able to be worn in gym class as well as playing on the playground. We want our students to stay safe while learning and playing each day. If you have any questions about the dress code you can visit the City Schools website. On Fridays, however, students are permitted to dress out of uniform.

We want to see your child in school each and every day to watch them learn and grow. This is why we have created the *Strive for Five* campaign. This year we want our students to come to school and have fewer than 5 absences. If we all work together, we can do it.

Let's all STRIVE FOR FIVE!!
Have a ROARcredible week.

Mrs. Kwaw
Principal

First Week of School

It was the first week of school, and that means that learning was in full swing. Check out the focus from students in these groups.





You may not know it but Govans has a Garden Committee. They have joined together to keep the many gardens at Govans looking great. Many thanks to Mrs. Walsh-Little and Mrs. Morain for taking some time Friday to spruce up the garden. It looks great!

Please meet Ms. Sydney Booth. Ms. Booth is a student of Fredonia State University of New York. She is working on her student teaching assignment first with Ms. Canull and then with Ms. Pollet. Thank you, Ms. Canull and Ms. Pollet, for welcoming Ms. Booth into your classrooms and for sharing your experience, expertise, and professional practices.



Peek At Your Seat Recap

We had a very engaging and highly attended Peek at Your Seat event on August 25. Many families came to see their children's new classrooms and meet and greet our teachers and staff. We are grateful for the opportunity to meet everyone who was available to attend. Please note that our Back-to-School Night is scheduled for Thursday, September 21. This event will provide another opportunity to meet staff and learn more about our school, curriculum, and programs.



More Peek at Your Seat....





Ms. Fitten shared her lunchtime with her fourth grade students the first week of school to help each other learn a little more about one another. Have a great school year, 4th grade!

Small groups have already started in 1st and 2nd grade! Ms. Hay, Ms. James, Ms. M. Nemeth, and Ms. Ciara have been working with students to master skills in math. They have also been using unique math tools to help solve problems. Way to go, 1st and 2nd grade!



REMINDER

We need each of our Govans Families to log into their Campus Portal to verify or update student and household information. This will include updating emergency contact information, medical information, and completing back-to-school forms. This process is known as Annual Student Verification. When you login and complete this information you will gain immediate access to back-to-school documents such as the annual Family Guide, Student Code of Conduct, and much more.

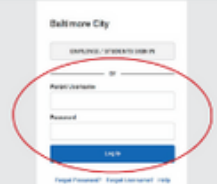
Parents and guardians:

Are you getting important calls and texts from your school and the district? If not, we may not have your correct phone number.

To enter or update your phone number:

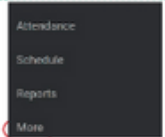
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Sign in to Campus Portal
(baltimorecityschools.org/campus-portal)



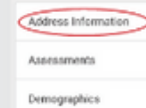
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On the left side of the screen, select "More"



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Select "Address Information"



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Update your information

A Campus Portal account allows you to see your child's assignments, classes, grades, and schedules. If you don't have one, visit baltimorecityschools.org/campus-portal and click "Create a new account."

Note: If you have custody concerns in your family, please contact your school. School staff will request a copy of the custody order. Your Campus Portal account will be set up using the order. After the account is set up, guardians can update household information immediately. Any other changes to your account will be sent to school staff for review.

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Upcoming Events

September

11 – Faculty and Staff Meeting, 2:45pm

18 – Instructional Leadership Team (ILT) Meeting,
2:45pm

21 – Back-to-School Night, 5pm-7pm... MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!

26 – Parent/Teacher Organization (PTO) Meeting,
6pm-7pm

