

# Welcome to the 2023 - 2024 School Year!

## Mark your calendars for the first day of school ~ Thursday, September 7th

**Parent drop off procedure:** Continue to use the Big Picture south end parking lot. Follow the arrows indicating to circle around the parking lot. Students can enter BP door 21 or door 1.

### **School Schedule**

Doors open for drop off:	7:30am
School day starts:	7:55am
Monday dismissal:	2:00pm
Tuesday-Thursday dismissal:	2:38pm
Tuesday-Thursday late bus:	3:20pm

**Attendance:** Attendance is key to our students' success. Our goal is 95% on time attendance. Please help your student get to school every day. We start at 7:55am. **If your student will be late, picked up early or absent, please call 315-504-1000 or text Brandy at 315-254-5293.** It is important we have our students' attendance accurate so please be prepared to tell Brandy the reason for their tardy, early dismissal or absence.

**School Supplies are not required at BP:** We have a supply room that is open for students to take what they need (please see list below if you are able to donate). We are asking for each student to send **\$15** for start of the year activities including our overnight camping trip, two t-shirts and materials for our activities. Cash or Checks made payable to LaFayette Big Picture. We also ask that each student bring a **personal water bottle or drinking cup** to keep in their cubby for use at our water cooler. Each student will also need a set of **headphones or earbuds** to use with their chromebook.

**Kitchen:** We do have a refrigerator, microwave, toaster and oven the students are able to use. You are welcome to use our kitchen as long as you are careful and clean up afterwards. Check with your advisor on kitchen availability, open hours will vary depending on the day. Enclosed is a list of common pantry items (tea and drink options are welcome too) if you would like to donate to our supply room or kitchen, the most commonly used items are:

Pencils ( <i>Ticonderoga #2 are a favorite</i> )	Pens	Ramen/Cup noodles
Colored Pencils	Glue Sticks	Cereal
Sharpie Markers or Mr. Sketch	Graph paper	Oatmeal (instant packets)
Loose-leaf paper ( <i>college &amp; wide rule</i> )	Coffee/K-Cups	Pantry Staples(flour, sugar)
Electronic wipes	Cleaning wipes	Granola/breakfast bars
Tea	Hot cocoa	Fruit snacks
<i>No time but want to contribute?</i>		Individual packed chips/snacks

*Donate a gift card or cash and we will do the shopping!*

**Internships:** The goal at BP is for every student to be out of the building 40% of the school year. We have designated Tuesday and Thursday for shadow and internship days. During the first few weeks of school, we will have discussions with each student to secure continued sites, find appropriate placements and explore options. Internship/shadow day will be centered around their interests and passions so they can experience real world learning. Internships will begin in September around 27th.

**Visits to our school:** We have always welcomed parents/guardians and community members to our school. To request an appointment, please call/text Brandy at 315-254-5293.

# Big Picture Staff Directory

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