



Dear Willis Families,

We hope you are enjoying your summer and finding time to relax. We are so excited about the new school year and want to update you on some important dates and information.

We will have an **Open House** for all students this year on August 6th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Open House will be a time for you to visit your child's classroom, drop off school supplies, and meet your teacher. You are welcome to tour the school and visit our fine arts classes as well.

PTO will also be hosting a **Kindergarten Playdate** on July 29th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. This is an opportunity for incoming kindergarten students to meet with other classmates. The location is in the kindergarten playground in the front of the school.

On the first day of school, parents will be able to walk their children to their classroom. PTO will be hosting a **Boohoo Breakfast** for all parents in the cafeteria from 8:25 a.m. -9:00 a.m. on the morning of the first day of school. Parents who attend the Boohoo meeting must sign in at the office before you attend. This is also an opportunity to sign up to volunteer for our PTO events.

We are finalizing our student and parent handbook and will send this out via Connect Ed soon. If your child rides a bus, please make sure you register them at "**Register to Ride**" (see link below).

A big thank you to our PTO President Allison Boccaccio and Secretary Melissa Summerlee for brightening up our main foyer by painting the columns and stairwell wall our school colors to brighten the entrance. It looks great.

We will be emailing **teacher placements** about a week before students return. You will have this information before Open House.

Please feel free to click on the links below for information on our uniform store, supply lists, and PTO website. Our uniform store is available as an option to purchase our spirit wear and logo shirts. You may purchase uniforms at any location that sells our colors and styles. A big thank you to our PTO Vice President, Lindsay Markun for her hard work securing our spirit wear vendor and working with us to create the designs. They look amazing!

We are excited about this new school year and we know it will be a fantastic year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Price and Mrs. Mau

Link to our website for school supply information on our website:

https://www.manateeschools.net/Domain/3734?fbclid=IwAR1Lw17Ce0_yHgZaooeGFZgyzcoWH3J4GVCIkOaCurIFSIDYAWdEu8tVbFg

Link to PTO website:

<http://williselementarypto.com/>

Register to Ride:

<https://www.manateeschools.net/registertoride>

Link to our Uniform store:

https://manateeapparel.com/Willis_Elementary_School/shop/home?fbclid=IwAR0fzzzZR4FngtymnoKgsV_ocziwUVwMCgclOJvOESEhmkaSmOKcMNVYC-g