NEWSLETTER

Back to School 2023

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday 8:00 am-3:00 pm Telephone: 765-342-8488 Fax: 765-349-5255

٠ SCHOOL START/END TIMES

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(M,T,TH,F) ARRIVAL

Doors Open: 8:25 am School Begins: 8:40 am

(WEDNESDAY) ARRIVAL

Doors Open: 10:25 am School Begins: 10:40 am

DAILY DISMISSAL

Daycare/Car Riders/Bus Riders: 3:30 pm

Walkers will be released after all busses and car riders have departed.

OFFICE STAFF

PRINCIPAL

Mrs. A. Rae Floyd, Ext. 1510

SECRETARY

Mrs. Courtney Payne, Ext. 1511

COUNSELOR Miss Leigh Frantz, Ext. 1547 **CLINIC AIDE**

Ms. Leah Beaver, Ext. 1524

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Charles L. Smith Fine Arts Academy

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EXPLORERS OF TODAY! LEADERS OF TOMORROW!



The first day of school is Thursday, August 10 2023.

Doors open at 8:30 A.M School starts at 8:40 A.M. Dismissal is between 3:30-3:45 P.M.





Back-to-School Open House and Title I Annual Meeting **Tuesday, August 8th** 5:00-6:00 P.M.

Let's make welcome our new staff members:

- Chantel Rohdy, 1st Grade
- Jill Farmer, 1st Grade •
- Nichole Chrisman, 3rd Grade •
- Cassidy Miller, 4th Grade •
- Joel Strickler, PE
- Ashley Hansen, Instructional Assistant
- Terri Freeman, Special Education

We are looking forward to a terrific year!

Inspiring, Creating, Achieving...Smith Fine Arts Academy...Explorers of Today, Leaders of Tomorrow

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CLASS LISTS

Teacher assignments will be posted in Skyward Family Access on Monday, August 5th.

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FOOD SERVICE

Menus are available at the beginning of each month and can be found at: <u>artiescafe.org</u>. Breakfast will be available beginning the first day of school. If you feel your family will qualify for meal benefits, you are encouraged to complete a meal/textbook assistance form that will be sent home following our Open House or on the first day of school.

Lunch payments may be made, and meal/textbook assistance forms may be completed, online at <u>https://artiescafe.org/index.php?</u> sid=2309140234403588&page=lunchap ps.

Student Lunch: \$2.75

LUNCH SCHEDULE

Grade Level	Lunch
Kindergarten	11:10- 11:40
Grade 1	12:10 - 12:40
Grade 2	12:35 - 1:05
Grade 3	11:25 - 11:55
Grade 4	11:50 - 12:20

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<u>RSVP</u>

Please complete the RSVP (Returning Student Verification Packet) using a desktop or laptop computer as soon as possible. If you do not have a Family Access account, or need help with your log in information, please contact the office.

DISMISSAL

- To change your student's dismissal procedure, please send a note to school or call the office at 765-342-8488 x 3 prior to 3:00 pm. We may not be able to accommodate dismissal changes after 3:00 pm. Please do not leave a message when making a dismissal change.
- Please share our dismissal procedures with any friends and/or family members who will be responsible for picking up your student.
- If your child is riding a different bus than normal, a note to the bus driver from the parent/guardian is required (please include the drop off location).
- If your child is a car rider, please stop by the office to pick up a green sign to place in your car during dismissal.
- Car riders, bus riders, and daycare students will begin dismissing at 3:35 pm. Walkers will be released at approximately 3:45 pm, after all buses and car riders have departed.
- Students who are being picked up early must be signed out in the office by a parent, guardian, or emergency contact.
- We appreciate your patience, especially during the first two weeks, as we learn our new students, families, and their dismissal plans!



SMITH CALENDAR

Aug. 5	Class Lists posted
Aug. 8	Open House/Title I Mtg.
Aug. 10	First Day of School
Aug. 22	Picture Day
Sep. 4	Labor Day-no school

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BACKGROUND CHECK/

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

All visitors to MSD of Martinsville Schools (including individuals interested in working with or chaperoning students) during the school year will be required to have a Limited Criminal History Check. Completed background checks are confidential and will be kept in the school office. A valid driver's license or stateissued ID will be required for the background check. Please complete the Background Check Form, available in the office, and present your ID to the office at least a week prior to visiting or volunteering. In order to keep our students safe, individuals must have a valid driver's license or state-issued ID and a current background check on file. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we keep student safety our top priority!



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SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

*Backpack

*Pencil Box /Pouch

*2 Boxes of Kleenex



*Reusable Water Bottle

Teachers purchase consumables such as #2 pencils, headphones, glue sticks, crayons, colored pencils, large pink erasers, and dry erase markers (black and/or blue) from a portion of book rental money. Students use these items often. If you would like to donate any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated.

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How much sleep * does my child need?

AGE GROUP Infants 4 - 12 months old Children 1 - 2 years old Children 3 - 5 years old Children 6 - 12 years old Teens 13 - 18 years old HOURS PER NIGHT 12 - 16 hours per 24 hour period 11 - 14 hours per 24 hour period 10 - 13 hours per 24 hour period 9 - 12 hours per 24 hour period 8 - 10 hours per 24 hours

Textbook and Meal Fees

Please make sure you fill out the meal assistance form located in the Returning Student Verification Packet on Family Access. Paper copies are available in the front office as well. While this helps provide nourishing lunches to students, it also helps the school get additional funding for important programs!

Textbook & Consumable Fees for 2023-2024 will be announced and posted when available.

STAY INFORMED

The Smith F.A.A. (Fine Arts Academy) Event Calendar will be updated with important school events throughout the year. This calendar can be found at: www.msdofmartinsville.org/charlesl-smith-fine-arts-academy/ calendar/ . Be sure to bookmark it or make it a favorite so it will be easy to access!

<u>PTO</u>

Mrs. Sumner — Co-President Ms. O'Neal — Co-President Mrs. Purkey— Vice President Mrs. Dougherty—Treasurer Ms. Thomas—Secretary **PTO meetings will be held on Wednesdays at 4:30 PM.**

REPORTING AN ABSCENCE, LATE ARRIVALS, AND UPCOMING APPOINTMENTS

Please call the office at 765-342-8488 to report an absence.

If a student arrives tardy to school, he/she must sign-in at the office and get a pass to class.

If your child has an appointment during school hours, please send in a written note with your child. Upon his/her return to school, please send in the doctor's excuse with your child within two days. The excuse may also be faxed to 765-349-5255.

DISTRICT CALENDAR

Aug. 10	First Student Day
Sept. 4	Labor Day (No School)
Oct. 6	1st Nine Weeks Ends
13	eLearning Day
16-20	Fall Break
23	School Resumes
Nov. 22-24	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 19	2nd Nine Weeks/ First Semester Ends
20	Winter Beak Begins
Jan. 3	School Resumes
15 Feb. 19	MLK Jr. Day (No School) Presidents' Day (No School) Snow Make- up day if needed
23	2nd Trimester Ends
Mar. 8	3rd Nine Weeks Ends
18-22	2 Spring Break
25	School Resumes
Apr. 8	Real Time Learning
May 23	Last Day for Students
24	Teacher Work Day
24	Graduation

CLINIC PROCEDURES

The school nurse encourages everyone to get their flu shot. We also would like to remind you that if your child has a temperature of 100 degrees or higher, they will not be permitted to stay at school.

Students must be fever FREE for 24 hours without medication to return to school. They must also be vomiting and diarrhea FREE for 24 hours to come to school.

W.E.L.L. WEDNESDAY INFORMATION

The MSD of Martinsville will implement a 2-hour delay schedule again on Wednesdays for the 2023-2024 school year. Students will arrive two hours late every Wednesday to provide teachers with time for collaboration with Professional Learning Communities. The ultimate goal of WELL WEDNESDAYS is to positively impact student achievement.

Other goals are:

1) Improve student performance and outcomes.

2) Offer flexibility in the administration of educational programs and improve efficiency of school operations.

3) Promote innovative educational approaches to student learning.

4) Advance the mission and purpose of all MSD Martinsville Schools.

CHILDCARE:

FREE SUPERVISION FROM 8:25-10:40 A.M., AT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

If your family needs free supervision before school on WELL Wednesdays, please contact the secretary now, so your child can be included. If your child will be enrolled in the YMCA program, you do not need to contact the school.

FREE SUPERVISION FROM 7:25-9:35 A.M., AT BELL INTERMEDIATE ACADEMY:

If your family needs free supervision before school on WELL Wednesdays, please contact the school principal or secretary now, so your child can be included. If your child will be enrolled in the YMCA program, you do not need to contact the school.

YMCA CHILDCARE:

Morgan County's YMCA and the Martinsville School District will continue to partner to provide before and after school programs. These programs provide adult supervision, homework help, activities, and snacks. Again this year, the YMCA is extending its services on Wednesday mornings from 6:30 A.M., to the delayed start of the school day.

The regular weekly schedule for before and after school care will not change. It will still be starting at 6:30 A.M., each day. For families who will utilize this program all week, the fee is \$70 each week per student and includes the extended WELL Wednesday hours.

For families who are interested in utilizing the YMCA's before school program ONLY on WELL Wednesdays, the fee will be \$35 per student.

For all YMCA before and after school programs, families can apply for financial assistance. For questions about qualifying for financial assistance or program features, please contact Robin McDaniel at <u>robin@bbjymca.org</u>.

To register for the YMCA before and after school program, please visit the following website: <u>www.ymcamorgancounty.org</u>.



