



Welcome back!

BIA WELCOME NEWSLETTER JULY 2023



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For immediate release:

**THE MSD OF MARTINSVILLE
WELCOMES**

JULIE LAWSON

**PRINCIPAL
BELL INTERMEDIATE ACADEMY**



The MSD of Martinsville announces Julie Lawson, with a unanimous vote, as the Bell Intermediate Academy Principal for the Metropolitan School District of Martinsville, effective for the 2023-24 school year. The 1996 Artesian graduate has served for 15 years as an administrator. Her training in PLC (professional learning communities), TBRI (trust-based relational intervention), School Safety Specialist, and SIOP (sheltered instruction observation protocol) have prepared her to serve all students. Julie is eager for the opportunity at Bell Intermediate Academy and said, "The intermediate grades are such an integral part of student development. I am looking forward to working with the staff at BIA as we prepare our students for middle school and beyond."



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Bell Intermediate Academy

Important Dates

Early Schedule Pick Up/Self Guided Tours
August 2nd & 3rd / 9:00 - 2:00

Open House
August 7th / 4:30 -6:00

First Day of School
August 10th



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Twitter: @ AllThingsBell

July, 19, 2023



1. FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023

2. SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

School supply lists are published on the district website.

School supply lists can also be found at Walmart and Kroger. Students attending JRW and MHS do not have a school supply list. JRW and MHS teachers will share this information on the first day of school.

3. RSVP (Returning Student Verification Packet)

Before the start of school on August 10, please complete the RSVP for your student's Skyward Family Access. This ensures that all contact information is up-to-date in our system.

4. SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Bell Intermediate Academy: August 7 - 4:30-6:00 PM

John R Wooden Middle School: August 7 - 5:30-7:00 PM

Elementary Schools: August 8 - 5:00-6:00 PM

Martinsville High School: August 8 - 6:00-8:00 PM

5. WELL WEDNESDAY

The MSD of Martinsville will follow the same WELL Wednesday schedule as last year. The YMCA will continue to offer its regular YMCA morning childcare program at each school. However, if your family needs free child supervision before school on WELL Wednesdays, please contact the school principal or secretary.

6. LIFT UP SCHOOL SUPPLIES DISTRIBUTION

Free backpack and school supplies will be available for students entering Kindergarten through 12th grade on Saturday, August 5, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Hoosier Harvest Church. Vaccinations, free/reduced meal applications, and many other resources will also be available. Students must be present.



W.E.L.L. Wednesday Information

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Beginning in August, the MSD of Martinsville will continue a 2-hour delay schedule 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 the efficiency of school operations.
- (3) Promote innovative educational approaches to student learning.
- (4) Advance the mission and purpose of all MSD of Martinsville Schools.

We look forward to seeing you this school year in Martinsville Schools.

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 robin@bbjymca.org.

To register for the YMCA before and after school program, please visit the following website: www.ycamorgancounty.org.

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

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.

BREAKFAST & TRANSPORTATION:

We are excited to announce Arties' Cafe will offer free Fuel up for Success breakfast every day to all students in the district, including WELL Wednesdays.

2023-2024 Lunch prices are as follows: elementary \$2.75, intermediate and middle schools \$2.85 and high school \$2.95 with a high school premium option for \$3.65.

Free & Reduced Lunch AND Textbook assistance applications are available online or at your school's office.

The MSD of Martinsville student bus transportation will operate on a 2-hour delay schedule on all WELL Wednesdays for the 2023-2024 school year. There will be no change for Martinsville High School students participating in Hoosier Hills.

Families can download Zonar to access the location of student pickup and drop off times.

Please contact the Central Education Center with any questions at 765-342-6641.



Bell Intermediate Academy

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Principal

Brandy Hammans
Assistant Principal

Jennifer Selch/Jessica Miller
Guidance Counselors

Back-to-School Supply List

5th Grade

2023-2024

- Backpack
- 1 pack of 24 pencils
- Pencil Pouch
- 2-3 boxes of tissues
- 1 box colored pencils
- 2 glue sticks
- Package of pencil cap erasers
- Scissors
- Hand Sanitizer
- 2 Packs loose leaf paper

Back-to-School Supply List

6th Grade

2023-2024

- Backpack
- 2 Boxes of Pencils
- 1 Pack of Pencil Cap Erasers
- 2 Glue Sticks
- 2 Boxes of Kleenex
- 1 Pack of Colored Pencils
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Graph Paper- Notebook
- 1 Pack of Highlighters
- 1 Pack of Lined Paper

BUS INFORMATION:

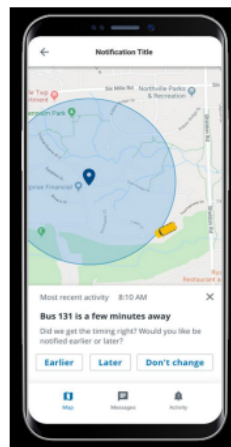
The transportation team is here to serve our students. Buses run for all ten schools within the district plus the Artesian Center for Excellence (A.C.E.). Bus transportation is available to students living in Baker, Clay, Green, Jefferson, Ray, and Washington Townships. Door to door bus service is not available for each address in the district. Shuttle service is provided for some secondary students.

Walk areas exist for both secondary and elementary students. To verify bus service or have questions, please contact us at : 765-349-5597.



Zonar MyView app now available to help you monitor your students' bus location.

1. Download the Zonar MyView app
2. Enter 5925 school access code
3. Enter Skyward student identification number.
4. Select the buses you want to follow. Search the number and school. School abbreviations are listed on the right side of this page. (Example: 10-GTE-AM)
5. Create Alert Zones which contact you when the bus enters it. Multiple Zones can be entered.
6. Enable Push Notifications under settings to receive messages about the bus route.



Enter the bus number-School abbreviation-am for morning or pm for afternoon.

School Abbreviations

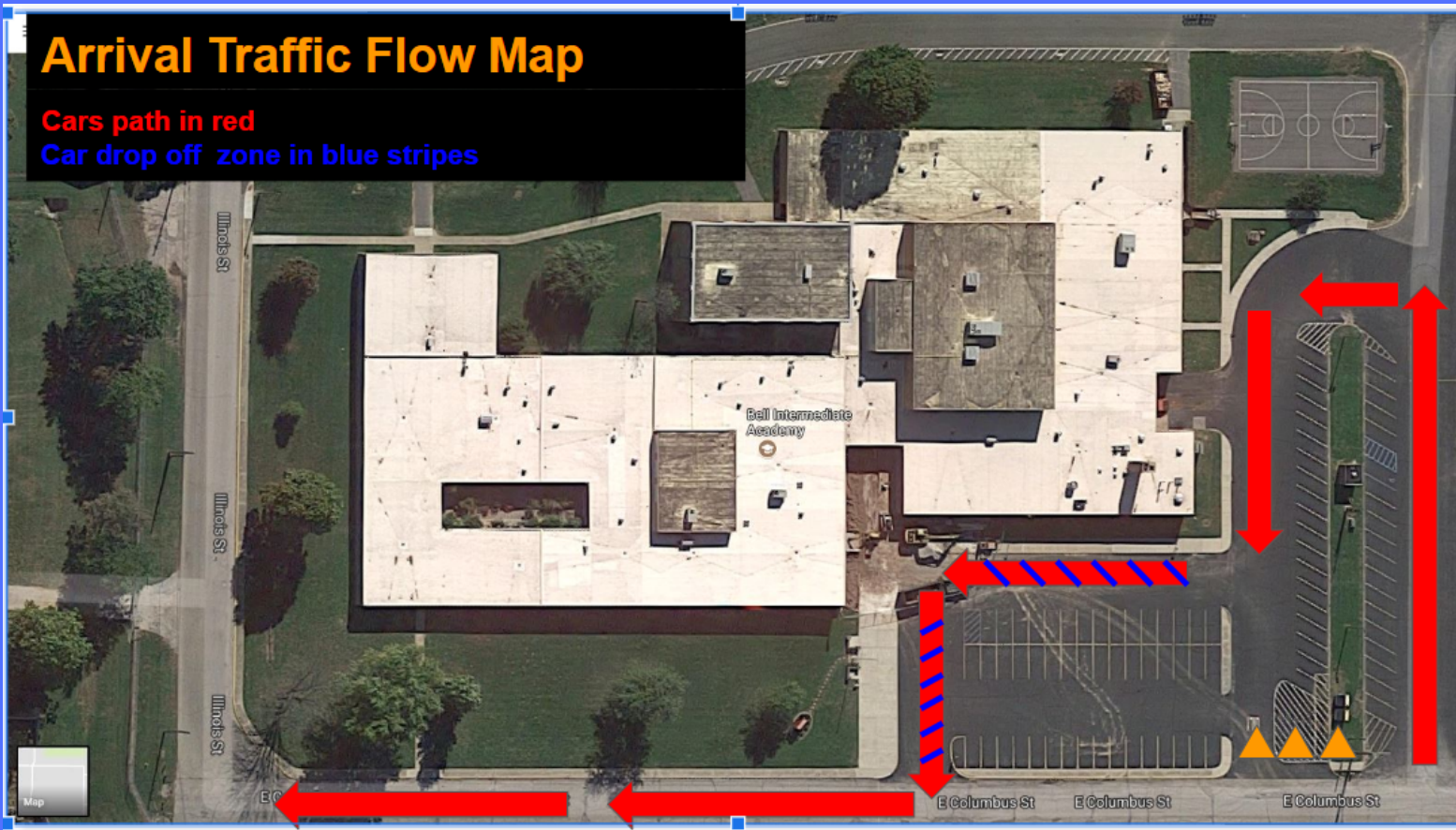
Martinsville High School-MHS
Wooden Middle School-JRW
Bell Intermediate School-BIA
Brooklyn Stem Academy-BSA
Centerton Elementary-CES
Green Twp Elementary-GTE
Paragon Elementary-PES
Poston Road Elementary-PRE
South Elementary-SES
Smith Fine Arts Academy-SFA

CAR RIDER PICK UP AND DROP OFF PROCEDURES:

Arrival Traffic Flow Map

Cars path in red

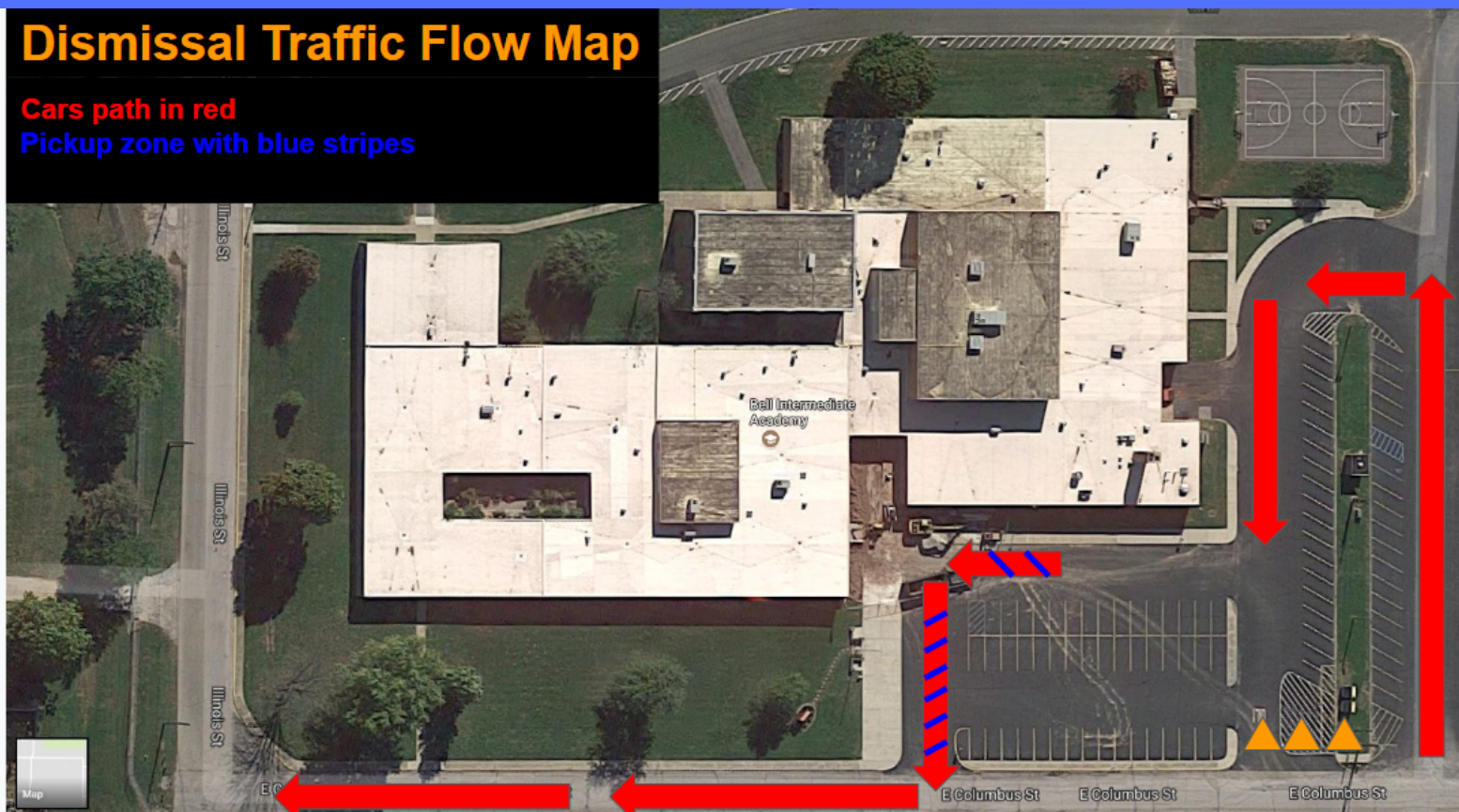
Car drop off zone in blue stripes



Dismissal Traffic Flow Map

Cars path in red

Pickup zone with blue stripes



VISITOR AND VOLUNTEER INFORMATION:

All visitors and volunteers must have a yearly background check on file to enter the building during school hours, or accompany students on field trips. Please bring a valid state-issued ID to the front office during school hours to complete a free background check.

LUNCH VISITORS

BIA does not allow lunchroom visitors. You are always welcome to drop off a special lunch for your student.

BIRTHDAY TREATS

Please speak with your student's Homeroom teacher regarding birthday treats to avoid any student allergens. Treats must be store-bought or pre-packaged. To avoid classroom distraction, please do not bring balloons or flowers to the building.

MORNING ARRIVAL

Walkers and car riders will enter through Door 2, which will open at 7:15 a.m. If arriving after 7:35 a.m., please use Door 1.

CHANGE IN TRANSPORTATION

Please send a note to school with your child if his/her normal transportation changes for the day. **STUDENTS MUST HAVE A NOTE TO BE PERMITTED TO RIDE HOME ON THE BUS WITH A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER.** If you need to make changes during the school day, please call the office no later than 1:00 P.M. Please do not leave a message.

DAILY ATTENDANCE

To report an absence, change of dismissal, or for student appointment notifications, call 765.342.6675 ext. 2047.

Please remember to bring a valid state-issued I.D. with you when checking students out of school.

****IMPORTANT****

ONLY THOSE WHO ARE NOTED IN SKYWARD ARE AUTHORIZED TO PICK UP STUDENTS FOR APPOINTMENTS OR OTHER EARLY DISMISSALS. If you have a grandparent, friend, aunt/uncle, etc., coming to pick up your student, A LEGAL PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST CALL THE OFFICE TO AUTHORIZE.

Upcoming Fall Sports for BIA 6th Graders:

- ***Girls Soccer***
 - Tryouts, Mon., July 31st 10am-12pm
- ***Boys Soccer***
 - First practice Mon., Aug. 7th @ MHS @6pm
- ***Girls Golf***
 - First practice Mon., Aug. 7th @ Foxcliff Golf Club from 3:30pm-5:30pm
- ***Boys Tennis***
 - TBD
- ***Co-Ed Cross Country***
 - First practice Mon., July 31st @ JRW @ 6pm.

***Students MUST have a physical dated on or after 4/1/23 on file to participate.**

***Please use Final Forms to turn in physicals.**

Please contact Kala Brittain or Mike Johnson with questions.

kala.brittain@msdmartinsville.org

gary.johnson@msdmartinsville.org

BIA 6th graders can participate in some athletic activities through Wooden Middle School.

- Girls Volleyball*
- Girls & Boys Tennis*
- Girls & Boys Golf*
- Co-Ed Swimming & Diving*
- Co-Ed Track & Field*
- Wrestling*
- Boys & Girls Soccer*

Clubs @ BIA

5th & 6th grade students have the opportunity to participate in school clubs throughout the year.

- Chess Club
- Writing Club
- Cheer & Spirit Club
- Choir Club
- Math Bowl
- Spelling Bee
- Robotics
- Talent Show
- Coding Club
- Student Council

Club information is sent to students through their Daily Announcements.

5th & 6th graders at Bell also have the option to participate in intramural sports, such as girls & boys basketball and volleyball!



MSD OF MARTINSVILLE 2023-24 DISTRICT CALENDAR

SOCIAL MEDIA:

Facebook/Twitter/Instagram
MSD of Martinsville

WEBSITE:

msdofmartinsville.org

August 2023						
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- No School
- Teacher Day—No Students
- First and Last Student Day

AUGUST	7-9	Teacher Work Days
	10	First Student Day
SEPTEMBER	4	Labor Day (No School)
OCTOBER	5	1 st Nine Weeks Ends
	13	eLearning Day
	16-20	Fall Break
	23	School Resumes
NOVEMBER	10	1 st Trimester
	22-24	Thanksgiving Break
DECEMBER	15	2 nd Nine Weeks Ends/ First Semester Ends
	20	Winter Break Begins
JANUARY	3	School Resumes
	15	MLK Jr. Day (No School)
FEBRUARY	19	Presidents' Day (No School) Snow make-up day if needed
	23	2 nd Trimester Ends
MARCH	8	3 rd Nine Weeks Ends
	18-22	Spring Break
	25	School Resumes
APRIL	8	Real Time Learning Day
MAY	23	Last Day for Students (4 th Nine Weeks/3 rd Trimester Ends)
	24	Teacher Work Day
	24	Graduation

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- Real Time Learning Day
- eLearning Day

Need after school care for your BIA student? Here are some helpful resources!



The Haven Youth Center is located at 39 E. Jackson and is open after school from 2:30pm to 5:30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday. Transportation from school is provided. The Haven provides homework help and offers a wide variety of games and activities. Call 765-342-5102 for more info.

The Martinsville YMCA After School Program is held at BIA until 6pm. Financial assistance is provided. Visit martinsvilleyymca.com/info/after-school.cfm for registration.



The Martinsville Youth and Development Center is located at 165 Morton Ave. Transportation to the center is provided. After school program costs are income based. Please call 317-446-5044 for more information.