

This message is from Bak MSOA

I hope your summer has been a great one! We are working hard getting everything ready for the first day of school - Monday, August 12th. Please read below and look at the attachments for essential information.

Bak SchoolMessenger at <https://msoa.palmbeachschools.org/> to get information about school. Check out the Main Page, School Info and Students & Parents links.

Important- Make sure your child know how she/he is getting home each day (must know address & phone #). Bring lunch or lunch money (\$2.30 for lunch), a backpack, pencil and paper only. No textbooks or summer assignments should be brought on the first day of school. If applicable, students will be provided supply lists by their teachers during the first week of school.

Breakfast and Lunch – Go to [https://www.palmbeachschools.org/departments/school food service](https://www.palmbeachschools.org/departments/school_food_service)

1. Breakfast is free to all students; Hot lunch is sold for \$2.30
2. Information regarding Application for Free and reduced Lunch – To complete the application, go to the School District website, click Department School Food Service, & click on the application link.

Curtain Calls – Bak’s before and after school programs

1. Bak’s morning care program begins on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 7:00 am for a cost of \$2.50 per day. The After-School Program (PM) begins on Monday, August 26, 2019.
2. For more information, specific times and fees can be found on Bak’s public SchoolMessenger page under the “School Info” tab at <https://msoa.palmbeachschools.org>
3. Please direct any questions to Shakendra Moorer at shakendra.moorer@palmbeachschools.org.
4. Registration and other information will be available at the New Students Orientation.

ZERO HOUR ROOM - Students report to their ZERO HOUR ROOM on the first day of school. To find out your child ZERO HOUR ROOM, please look at the attached document and follow the directions below. The Zero Hour Room document can also be found on the Bak School Messenger page under School Info and Students & Parents.

ZERO HOUR ROOM – Your child will report to their ZERO HOUR ROOM on August 12th at 8:25 a.m. They will receive their class schedule at this time. To determine your child’s ZERO HOUR ROOM, look for your child’s Grade Level and then where their LAST NAME would be in the alpha ranges provided. For example- Sally Rozanski, Grade 6, would report to Gardner - Room 4-249 (ROM-SC).

Schedules will be released by the district via SIS on Sunday, August 11, 2019. Due to the number of unique classes Bak offers, the title of a course does not necessarily properly describe the course. Therefore, students must attend all eight classes for the full 90 minute time period to ensure there has not been an error in their schedule. This will not be accomplished until the end of the third day of school. Therefore, please do not contact school personnel regarding your child's schedule. If there is an error, we usually discover it within this three-day period. See below for more information.

Schedule changes are only made if an error has been made. An error would be if a 6th grade students was placed in a 7th grade English course or a student was not placed in the appropriate art area major course. It is important to note that a student at Bak MSOA has only ONE art major. Schedule changes are not based on teacher preference, elective choices, or other non-academic/non-art reasons. If you do feel an error has been made, your child can get a Schedule Request form in Student Services and bring it home for the parent to complete.

Transportation: Questions regarding bus times or routes? Go to the SDPBC Transportation Department website at https://www.palmbeachschools.org/students_parents/transportation and click on **Find My Bus**. Bus routes will be posted on August 5th and may change during the first two weeks of school. **Tri-Rail information** can be found at <https://www.tri-rail.com/> (Morning - Northbound P608/ Afternoon - Southbound P633). **Bak MSOA does not have any additional information regarding transportation nor does the school control bus routes, bus stops, bus times, Tri-Rail times, or assignments.** Please contact the Transportation Call Center at 561-357-1110 if you have any questions.

Nurse and Medication - If parents would like their children's medication kept in the clinic or have their child carry their own medication (restriction apply – only in special circumstances may a child carry their own medication – e.g., EpiPen, inhaler), they must provide the School Nurse with the following:

1. A Palm Beach County Schools Physician Authorization Form for each medication. This form is obtained from your child's Pediatrician with the name of the medication, correct dosage, frequency, route, and indicates where the medication to be stored. The Physician Form must have a parent or guardian signature.
2. Medication must have a pharmacy label.
3. If medication is over the counter (e.g., Tylenol, Benadryl), please ensure the medication is unopened and matches the doctor orders. For example, if the doctor orders indicate liquid Benadryl, please provide liquid rather than pill form.
4. Please provide a small picture of your child for each medication.
5. For nebulizer treatments, please provide a clear labeled zip lock with your child's name and picture and provide tubing and face mask or spacer in good condition with nebulizer medication.
6. Parent Questionnaires regarding their child's specific Medical Conditions will be provided by the nurse at orientation. The signed Parent Questionnaires provide consent for the school nurse to make your child's teachers aware of their Medical Condition.
7. If you feel that your child may require any educational or medical accommodations while at School, please consult your child's guidance counselor to schedule a Medical 504 Meeting.
8. Parents may contact the School Nurse/ Angie Bailey at **561.882.3883** to make an appointment.

Want to avoid paying by cash or check? You can use SchoolCashOnline to pay for the following:

Fees/Purchases:

1. SY 20 New Student Fee (6th grader students and NEW 7th and 8th grade students) - \$20.00
2. SY 20 P. E. Shirt - 10.00 per shirt
3. SY 20 6th Grade Vocabulary from Latin and Greek Roots: Level VII Workbook - \$15.00
4. SY20 Returning Student Fee - \$15.00

Art Area Fees:

1. SY 20 Piano Fees - \$125.00
2. SY 20 Band Fees - \$125.00
3. SY 20 Vocal Fees - \$125.00
4. SY 20 Strings Fees - \$125.00
5. SY 20 Visual Arts Fees - \$100.00
6. SY 20 Theatre Fees - \$100.00
7. SY 20 Communication Fees - \$100.00
8. SY 20 Dance Fees - \$50.00 (dance students responsible for their own dance shoes)

Care Packages- Special treat for your child! – Forms on SchoolMessenger

1. SY 20 Care Package Annual Plan (All 4 Packages) - \$55
2. SY 20 Care Package- Welcome Back to School - \$15
3. SY 20 Care Package- Thanksgiving Treats \$15
4. SY 20 Care Package- Valentine Surprise \$15
5. SY 20 Care Package- Testing Survival Kit \$15

It has always been the policy of the Palm Beach County School District/Bak MSOA that:

- a. No penalty of any type will be imposed against the student based on a failure to pay a fee (e.g., denied the right to participate in a course).

This policy does not affect:

- a. Basic supplies (e.g., paper, pens, pencils); costs of purchasing, renting, and/or cleaning of clothing or uniforms used for school or extra-curricular programs; damage to school/SDPBC property (e.g., library books, textbooks, technology); and voluntary activities, trips, or extracurricular activities/trips.