# Burton





September 2018

#### **Principal's Message**

Hello Burton Families,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to a new school year. I don't know about you, but I feel like summer went by very quickly. I hope you had time to relax, explore, spend time with loved ones, and reenergize for a great school year ahead. I am so grateful that I get to be the principal at H C Burton Elementary this year. Every day, as I greet positive, polite, and smiling students, I am filled with excitement for the year to come.

This year, we will continue to foster the Seven Habits of Happy Kids. If you haven't read the book by Sean Covey, I encourage you to check it out. The storybook form and family discussion items help children to understand the habits and how to incorporate them into their lives. As we dig a little deeper this year, we will focus on habits four, five, and six. These are habits for interacting with others - Habit 4, Think Win-Win: Habit 5, Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood: and, Habit 6, Synergize. To me, these three habits speak to teamwork, which will be our overall focus this year. Our motto will be, "Apart we're smart. Together we're unstoppable."

As we hit the ground running, I think of the words by best-selling author Jon Gordon, "Every day you can focus on being positive, working hard, and making others around you better. If you do that, great things will happen." Thanks for being a part of the Burton team!

Principal Lowry

#### September Calendar

- 14 Vision Screening
- 17 No School (Professional Day)
- 19 Bike Rodeo for 2nd & 3rd grades
- 21 Carnival 5-8 pm
- 26 PTO Meeting 9:15 am
- 27 Picture Day

The bike rodeo is September 19 from 9-ll am for students in the second and third grades. Students are asked to bring a bicycle or scooter as well as a helmet to school for this activity. <u>The</u> <u>parking lot will be blocked that</u> <u>morning.</u>

Burton PTO is on Instagram and Facebook! Follow and "friend" us for information about school activities, events, and volunteer opportunities.

Not receiving PTO emails? Send an email to <u>ptoburtonelementary@gmail.com</u> to confirm you are on the list!

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### **Carnival**!

The Burton Carnival will be held Friday, September 21st from 5-8 pm at the school.

Come join us for games, the Haunted Hall, a silent auction, bounce houses, a petting zoo with a baby zebra, and more! Thank you to those who volunteer at the school, whether in individual classrooms or for events! Check out <u>Burton's SignUpGenius page</u> for more opportunities to help out.

### **Earn for Burton!**

- Clip Box Tops and bring them to your child's teacher.
- 2. Link your Smith's Food and Drug Rewards Card to Burton Elementary.
- 3. Add Burton Elementary PTO as your preferred charity on Amazon Smile.
- 4. Shop Amazon through the <u>school's link</u> for the highest percentage back!

