

Welcome Back to the 2024-2025



July 28, 2024

Greetings Baggett Elementary School Community,

Welcome to 2024-2025 school year at Bessie L. Baggett Elementary School! We are elated to have you join our Baggett Bears Family! You are joining such a dynamic community that values academic achievement, parental involvement, and collaboration.

Our primary goal here at Baggett Elementary is to create a safe, rigorous, and engaging learning environment for all students. This is such a special place to learn and grow as we strive to build positive relationships that support academic and social-emotional growth. We have high expectations for every student and want to continue to foster a love for teaching and learning.

I know this school year is going to be an exciting time for our students. I am thrilled to be a part of the wonderful things each child will achieve this year. Thank you for entrusting your child's education with us. We welcome your partnership to provide our students with the very best educational experience.

I look forward to working with each of you as we continue to work towards excellence, because at Baggett Elementary "We are Building Educated Achieving Responsible Students." Together we will make a positive difference in the lives of our students!

House of Champions ~ Be Your Baggett Best!

Again, welcome to the Baggett Family!

Educationally yours,
Jamesa Hodge, Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

- 7/30/24: Open House 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- 8/1/24: First Day of School
- 8/1/24: PTA Event - Kindergarten Parents BooHoo Breakfast Grab & Go (Media Center)
- 8/1/24: PTA Stevie B's Spirit Night 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm (Hiram Location)
- 8/9/24: Digital Learning Day (Asynchronous)
- 8/12/24: PTA Huey Luey's Spirit Night 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm (Hiram Location)
- 8/22/24: PTA Texas Roadhouse Spirit Night 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm (Hiram Location)
- 8/23/24: PTA Back to School Dance 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

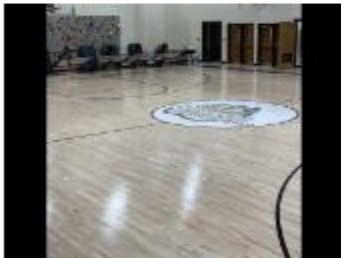
FRONT OFFICE CONTACT

- **Yaravil Ciranda-Perez, Secretary:** yaravil.cirandaperez55@paulding.k12.ga.us
- **Stephanie McCluskey, Attendance Clerk:** smccluskey@paulding.k12.ga.us
- **Jenna Bingham, Bookkeeper:** jbingham@paulding.k12.ga.us

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact front office at 678-460-1570.

EXCITING SCHOOL RENOVATIONS!

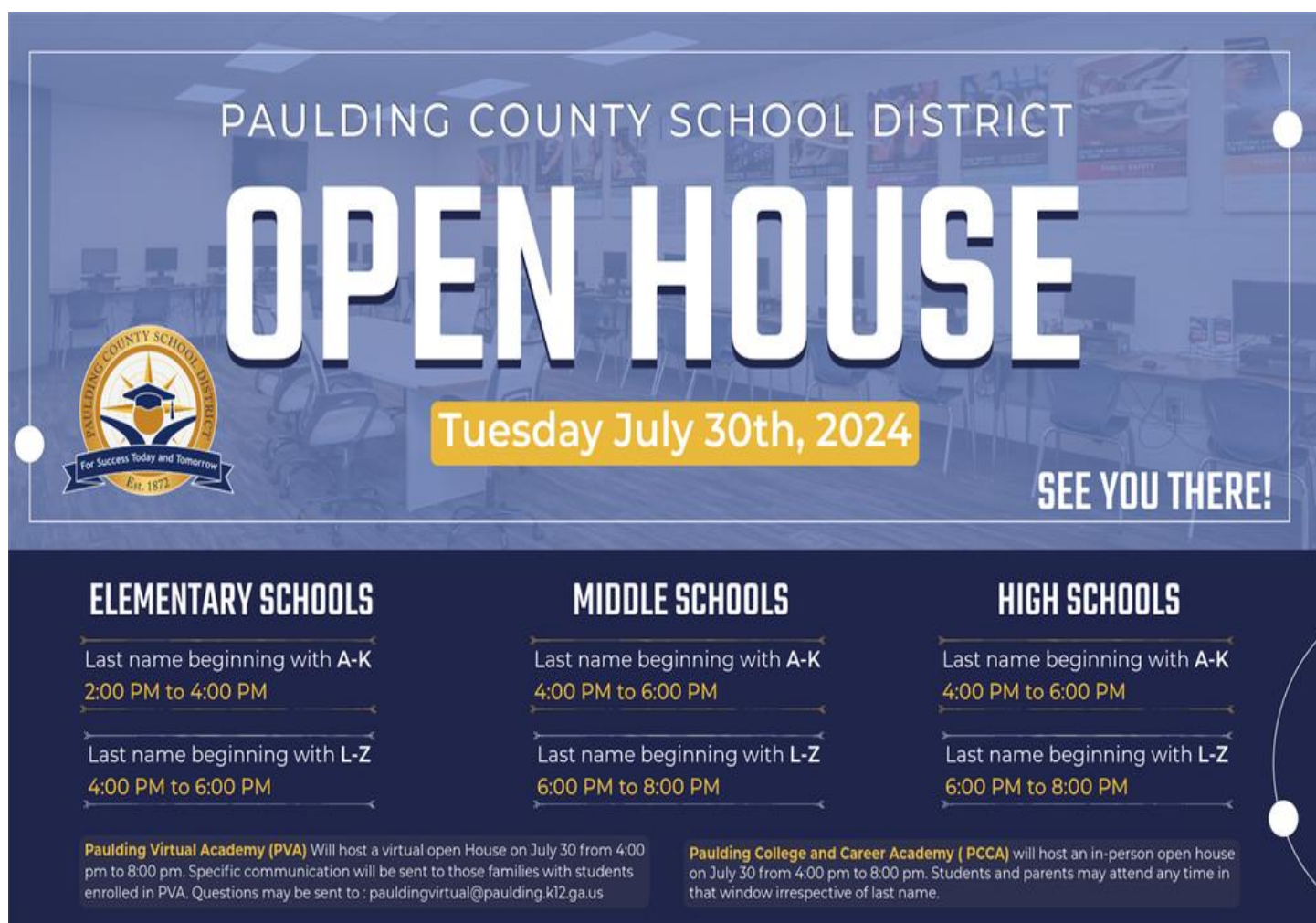
Our school has undergone significant updates, and I am excited for you to see the improvements. We have new flooring, upgraded lighting, fresh paint, a high-quality HVAC system, updated restrooms, a refreshed gym, and even a new basketball court on our playground! These changes are sure to enhance our school environment and provide a better experience for everyone.



OPEN HOUSE - TUESDAY, JULY 30TH AT 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Students and families are welcome to visit schools according to the group times listed below. These times are staggered to allow families with students at different levels the opportunity to attend multiple open houses. For those families who may have students with different last names, you may choose an open house that is aligned to the last name of any of your students.

Parking is located in the front and side of the school which the same as our bus loading area.

The poster features a background image of a classroom with desks and computers. At the top, the text "PAULDING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT" is in white, followed by "OPEN HOUSE" in large, bold, white letters. Below this, a yellow banner reads "Tuesday July 30th, 2024". To the left is the Paulding County School District logo, which includes a graduation cap and the text "For Success Today and Tomorrow Est. 1872". To the right, the text "SEE YOU THERE!" is in white. The bottom section is divided into three columns: "ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS", "MIDDLE SCHOOLS", and "HIGH SCHOOLS". Each column lists two time slots for last names beginning with A-K and L-Z. At the bottom, two boxes provide information about virtual and in-person open houses for Paulding Virtual Academy (PVA) and Paulding College and Career Academy (PCCA).

PAULDING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday July 30th, 2024

SEE YOU THERE!

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Last name beginning with **A-K**
2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Last name beginning with **L-Z**
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Last name beginning with **A-K**
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Last name beginning with **L-Z**
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

HIGH SCHOOLS

Last name beginning with **A-K**
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Last name beginning with **L-Z**
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Paulding Virtual Academy (PVA) Will host a virtual open House on July 30 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Specific communication will be sent to those families with students enrolled in PVA. Questions may be sent to : pauldingvirtual@paulding.k12.ga.us

Paulding College and Career Academy (PCCA) will host an in-person open house on July 30 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Students and parents may attend any time in that window irrespective of last name.

JOIN OUR LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL!

The local school council helps make important decisions for our school, involving parents, teachers, and community members. We meet 4 times a year to discuss our school community.

Parents, if you are interested in serving on our local school council, please email Mrs. Hodge, Principal at jrhodge@paulding.k12.ga.us. We need 4 parents, 2 of whom should be business owners.

FREE & REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE

For the 2024-2025 school year, the federal government is ending free meals for all students. Families should apply now to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price meals. Only 1 application is needed per family. To apply go to <https://www.nlappscloud.com/>

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH INFORMATION

For more information from the PCSD School Nutrition Department, such as menus and meal applications, go

to <http://www.schoolnutritionandfitness.com/index.php?sid=0305131813425871>

If your student would like to purchase extras in the Cafeteria, then you can pay ahead online: <https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/getmain.action?clientKey=&requestAction=home>

LUNCH VISITS

Lunch visits will start August 19, 2024. Lunch visits are by appointment only due to limited space. Please call the front office at 678-460-1570 to schedule lunch with your child. Thanks!

PARENT PORTAL INFORMATION

Detailed information about Parent Portal is located at <https://www.paulding.k12.ga.us/domain/4142>

Virtual Instructions for Activating a Parent Portal Account Requests for Parent Portal accounts are now handled virtually. Please read the Parent Portal Usage Policy before continuing. Please send an email to portal@paulding.k12.ga.us and include the following information. A copy of state-issued parent picture ID must also be included in the email. Your request will be handled within 48 hours.

- The attached information for activating/accessing your Parent Portal account for new families and/or updating household information and required sign offs ahead of Open House will allow your time at Open House to be focused on building relationships with your child's teacher(s).
- Should you experience any problems at home activating/accessing Parent Portal or completing household updates and required sign offs, please refrain from calling the school as school staff will be on hand at Open House to assist. Any problems after Open House can be resolved by calling or visiting your child's school.
- Once active in Parent Portal, you as an enrolling parent or verified user will have easy access to your child's information, report cards, and other convenient tools.

You will need to complete the following tasks;

- update the census/ contact information in IC
- sign-off on student handbook

BUS TRANSPORTATION

To check on bus numbers, estimated times, and bus stops, please go to <https://www.paulding.k12.ga.us/Page/379>

We also encourage you to download the Here Comes the Bus app which allows you to track the location of your child's bus for real time information: <https://www.paulding.k12.ga.us/Page/40604>

CAR RIDERS PROCEDURES AND MAP

For detailed information on our afternoon car riders procedures please see attachment below.

Car Rider Procedures – Baggett Elementary

Car Rider Cards: Cards will be issued on or before 8/1/24 after checking IDs. If you only have one student to pick up, you will be given a **BLUE** card indicating they will be picked up from the Single Car Rider Line. If you have multiple students, you will be given a **YELLOW** card indicating they will be picked up from the Family Car Line. Card color is important because it will determine your lane choice for pick up upon entering the school campus. Students' names will be written on the card, and you will need to have the card with you each day at pick up.

Displaying the Car Rider Card: We are asking that parents display their card in a visible area of the car (windshield or side window) This will allow staff on duty to have the necessary information needed to call for students on the walkies and load students into cars as quickly as possible. **BLUE** card holders will enter the school using the center entry lane. They will stop at the stop sign and wait for a staff member to wave cars forward. Again, please have your car rider card visible on the rearview mirror so staff can call your student for release.

Car Routes: If you have a **YELLOW** card, you will enter the school using the far-right entry lane and continuing down the drive around the back of the school to the designated stop cones. Please drive carefully and watch for other cars. Once buses have been dismissed, a staff member will direct those cars to the front of the school by the gym for student pick up. Students with **YELLOW** family/multi-family pick up cards will be dismissed from the gym.

Hazard Lights: After receiving your student, we are asking that you turn on your hazard lights to indicate your car is loaded. Once all cars are loaded the line will be released.

Finally, we ask for your patience as new parents and staff learn our dismissal routines to balance safety and efficiency. We understand that it will take a while for it to become routine and the process may be lengthy initially. Please know we always put safety and the well-being of our students first and look forward to seeing your faces each day as we return your students to you.

Thank you for your continued support!

Please see map:

BLUE card – follow multi-color arrows

YELLOW card – follow yellow arrows



Tasty Treat Thursday



Ice Cream

Full Year Pass (August-May) \$44.50 in REVTRAK

1st Semester Pass 9 (Aug-Dec) 24.00 in REVTRAK

2nd Semester Pass (Jan-May) \$25.50 in REVTRAK

Make your payments online at




Save \$5 by purchasing the Full Year Pass!!!

we will no longer accept \$1.00 individual sales on Thursdays

Thank you for supporting Baggett!!


YEARBOOK SALE



Be your Baggett Best

Preorder **\$30** Cash/Check/Revtrak

Untill 11/01 Scan to pay online



2024-2025 PTA MEMBERSHIP

Please join our fabulous PTA. Only \$10.00 for membership!

As always, thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out us.



Welcome

Back to School

Thank you for supporting Baggett PTA

Contact Us

Baggettpta@gmail.com

For Students PTA Sponsors:

- ~Back to School Dance
- ~Fall Festival
- ~Candy Grams
- ~Holiday Shop
- ~Fun Run: Helps Raise Money for School Improvement

For Teachers and Staff

- ~Last year we purchased a 3D printer for Stem as well as rented Inflatables for Field Day!
- ~Provide Lunch on Open House
- ~ Provide Welcome Baskets for New Staff
- ~Conference Week Snacks
- ~Teacher Appreciation Week: A Meal Provided

Join Bessie L Baggett ES PTA



joinbessielbaggett.com/ga/powder-springs/bessie-l-baggett-es-pta/join

Scan this code with your phone's camera to securely join now



Complete the information below and return to school in an envelope labeled PTA along with cash or check. Membership Dues \$10 per person.

***PLEASE SEND EXACT CHANGE.** If you send more than needed, it will be considered a donation to PTA* If you would like to pay online with card, scan the QR code to the left!

Parent/Guardian

Name: _____

Student Name & Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Number and Email: _____

BAGGETT PTA EVENTS



2024-2025



AUGUST
 8/1-Kindergarten Parents-
 BooHoo Breakfast Grab & Go In the
 Media Center
 8/1- Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 8/12- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-8pm
 8/22- Texas Roadhouse Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 8/23-Back to School Dance
 6pm-8pm

NOVEMBER
 11/7- Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 11/11- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 11/25- Texas Roadhouse
 Spirit Night 5pm-9pm

FEBURARY
 2/6- Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 2/7- Sweetheart Dance
 6pm-8pm
 2/10- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 2/27- Texas Roadhouse
 Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm

MAY
 5/1- Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 5/12- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 5/22 Texas Roadhouse
 Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm

SEPTEMBER
 9/5-Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 9/9- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-8pm
 9/26- Texas Roadhouse Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 9/30- Buddy A Thon Fundraiser
 Begins

DECEMBER
 12/5- Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 12/9- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 12/9-12/13 Holiday Shop
 8am-1pm
 12/30-Texas Roadhouse
 Spirit Night 5pm-9pm

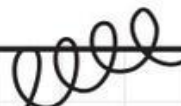
MARCH
 3/6- Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 3/10- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 3/27- Texas Roadhouse
 Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm

Please Follow Us On Facebook
 @ Bessie L. Baggett PTA
 to stay up to date throughout
 the year!
 Thank you for your support of
 PTA!

OCTOBER
 10/2- Boo Grams Start
 10/3- Stevie B's Spirit Night 4pm-
 8pm
 10/14- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 10/17- Buddy A Thon Stuffing Day
 10/18- Fall Festival 6pm-8pm
 10/24-Texas Roadhouse Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 10/28- Boo Grams End

JANUARY
 1/2- Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 1/13- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 1/29- Candy Grams Start
 1/30- Texas Roadhouse
 Spirit Night 5pm-9pm

APRIL
 4/3- Stevie B's Spirit Night
 4pm-8pm
 4/14- Huey Luey's Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm
 4/23- FUN RUN!!!!!!
 4/24- Texas Roadhouse
 Spirit Night
 5pm-9pm



Educationally yours,

Baggett ES Administration & Staff