



Eagle News

August 2016
Back To School

English Landing

2016-2017 Class Placement

Your child's teacher is listed below. We hope having this 2016-2017 classroom placement information in advance will ease the transition back to school. Class placement of students is one of the most important educational decisions we make. Thank you for respecting this process and our efforts to create the best placement possible for all students.

This classroom placement information is included in the [Back to School](#) flyer that will be mailed (US Postal System) to each English Landing home on [Tuesday, August 2, 2016](#).

NEW Eagles Joining the Nest!

<u>Mrs. Terrann Wood</u> Office	Joining our nest from Union Chapel, Mrs. Wood will be our new Executive Administrative Assistant to the Principal.
<u>Mrs. Katie Betts</u> Fourth Grade	Mrs. Betts has been teaching fourth grade in Kansas for the past five school years and is eager to work in the community where she lives with her husband and son.
<u>Ms. Hannah Ryan</u> Fourth Grade	Ms. Ryan is a graduate from MU. She served as the Director of Recruitment for the Student Ambassadors Program for the College of Education. Ms. Ryan completed her senior teaching experience in Boonville, Missouri.
<u>Ms. Abigail Davies</u> Fifth Grade	Ms. Davies has taught for the past three school years. She finished the 2015-2016 school year teaching at Korte Elementary School in Independence, Missouri.
<u>Mrs. Tricia Bozung</u> Fifth Grade Long Term Substitute	Mrs. Bozung is a familiar face in Park Hill and completed a long term position from September through December at Graden Elementary during the 2015-2016 school year.
<u>Mrs. Jennifer Chase</u> Gifted Education Teacher	Mrs. Chase is joining our Gifted Team and will be working at English Landing two days per week: Mondays and Fridays
<u>Mrs. Kathleen Threadgill</u> Media Assistant	Mrs. Threadgill is a familiar face in the English Landing school community and has been very involved in our PTA. She is moving into a new role as our Media Assistant.
<u>Ms. Sarah Hafferkamp</u> Education 20/20	Ms. Hafferkamp is bringing a district professional studies program, Education 20/20, to English Landing this year. She will work with high school juniors and seniors who will earn college credit while working at English Landing.



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Coming SOON! Virtual Parent Orientation: August 8, 2016

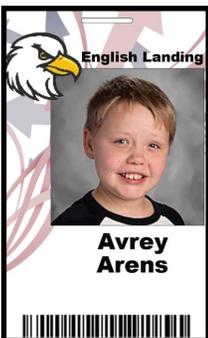
On Monday, August 8, 2016, the English Landing staff will send English Landing families a **virtual** Parent Orientation as we prepare for the 2016-2017 school year. Each classroom teacher will share personal introductions, provide an overview of grade level curriculum, share classroom expectations, highlight behavior plans/incentives, and other essentials before families visit us at Back to School Night. PLEASE be on the look out in your Email Inbox for this communication on August 8, 2016. Thanks!

Back To School Night! August 9, 2016 5:30-7:00pm

On Tuesday, August 9th, English Landing will host a "**Back-to-School Night**" between **5:30 and 7:00 pm** for all students—Kindergarten through 5th grade. Students will have the opportunity to meet their teachers, see the classroom, and drop off school supplies. Our English Landing PTA will be in our GYM with information about membership and volunteer opportunities. Cafeteria personnel will also be here if you would like to pre-pay for breakfast or lunches. NEW students portraits will be taken in the English Landing MUSIC Room. Our PTA is also sponsoring hot dogs during their annual membership drive. Hot dogs have been donated by Platte Valley Bank and will be served at the picnic table area adjacent to the bus loop. We look forward to seeing you and your children at our "Back to School Night" on **Tuesday, August 9.**

Student Badge Update and Expansion

Elementary students at English Landing and Graden will pilot the expansion of our 2015-2016 student badge process to incorporate the ZPASS component which will monitor daily student bus transportation. Adding this component will require English Landing students to wear their student badge to and from school each day. Each English Landing student will receive an English Landing "break away" lanyard when issued his/her student badge. Students will not be permitted to trade this English Landing lanyard for a store bought lanyard. Elementary students will be issued two badges free of charge, however, if a student misplaces or loses his/her badge after receiving the first two free badges, there will be a fee of \$5.00 for each additional badge issued. This student badge will be used daily to access each student's breakfast and lunch account, check out library books, and monitor daily student bus transportation.



Students who will be **NEW** to English Landing (including all kindergarten students) for the 2016-2017 school year, need to have a picture taken for his/her student badge. In trying to alleviate congestion at **Back to School Night** for these pictures, we would like to offer families the following dates which we will take student photos in the English Landing Office:

Tuesday, August 2, 2016: 9:00am to Noon

Friday, August 5, 2016: 9:00am to Noon

Wednesday, August 3, 2016: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Monday, August 8, 2016: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Thursday, August 4, 2016: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Tuesday, August 9, 2016: 9:00am to Noon

Student Attendance: Every Minute Counts

Attendance is an important factor in academic achievement. Regular attendance and punctuality are important for a child to gain the most from their educational experience. We ask your help in this area by scheduling appointments for after-school hours, on non-school days or on early release days. If your child is absent, please call our office (359-4370) to report the absence so we are assured of your child's safety. If you forget to call, one of our administrative assistants will call to verify the absence. Again, thank you for making regular and timely attendance a top priority.



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Student Pick Up Procedures

Students who will be car riders every day will be considered “every day car riders”. During dismissal, these students will be escorted to the gym. Staff members will supervise the car riders until a parent arrives. We request that **parents remain in cars and form a pick-up line in the side circle area by the gym**. In order to eliminate congestion in the office and keep students safe, we ask that you **wait in the “car rider” line in your car and do not come into English Landing** to pick up your child unless it is an emergency situation. Families of every day car riders will receive a **personalized car placard** to display in the front passenger window. Car rider placards will be available in the GYM at **Back To School Night** on August 9. Please e-mail Mr. Wachel for a car rider form at **wachelm@parkhill.k12.mo.us**.

Birthday Treats and Eating Lunch at English Landing

Birthday treats are always something students enjoy sharing with classmates. In an effort to maximize instructional time, protect students with allergies, and minimize food mess/spills in classrooms, birthday treats will be served during lunch in the cafeteria. Students may bring the treats to school with them or parents can drop them off in the office. We encourage healthy treats, and remind families that our Park Hill Food Service Department offers birthday treats at reasonable prices. Also, please remember that all treats must be store-bought, prepackaged items.

In following the Park Hill Parent/Student Handbook, page 16: **Soda and fast food lunches are discouraged**. Please help us avoid an awkward situation and do not bring outside restaurant food to English Landing for lunch. If you would like to order a school lunch, please notify the office in the morning by 9:00am. Thank you!

School Safety: Ensuring a safe, caring environment

Our staff is continuously preparing for the safety of the English Landing community. There are guidelines in place in the Park Hill School District to ensure all schools have emergency plans in place. It is our goal at English Landing Elementary that all students, parents, and staff feel safe. This school year we will conduct ten fire drills, one earthquake drill, two tornado drills, two intruder drills, and a secondary rally point evacuation drill. Our staff has been trained and will be discussing emergency procedures for all drills in the classrooms. Safety procedures are posted near the door in all rooms at English Landing.

To ensure the safety of our students, only the main entrance doors will be used for volunteers/visitors. English Landing's security system includes a camera system, electronic entry system, and other safety features. All visitors need to check in at the office before visiting our school during school hours. This system allows us to track visitor and volunteer hours more efficiently as well as providing an additional safety measure for our students and staff.

Please be prepared to show a photo ID when picking up students from the English Landing office. Thank you!

Park Hill Elementary School Hours

8:20 am First Bell Rings and Students Report to Classrooms

8:40am School Officially Begins

3:25-3:30pm School Evening Dismissal Process

Supervision of students begins at 8:20 am. Please do not drop off students before 8:20 am as we do not have staff members assigned to supervise prior to 8:20 am. If a student needs to eat breakfast, he or she may do this in the cafeteria between 8:20am and 8:40am. **Car riders and walkers** should be dropped off in the car rider lane in the front entrance. We will have a crosswalk guard on Klamm between 8:20-8:30am for students who are walking to school. Students arriving **after 8:40 am** will be counted as tardy or have a partial day absence and will need to report to the office.

School Supply list: http://www.parkhill.k12.mo.us/parent_resources/school_supplies_list



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First Student Bus Transportation Email

Park Hill families will receive an e-mail detailing bus information including stop location, time, and bus number on August 3 or 4, 2016. If you have questions regarding bus transportation, or do not receive an Email, please contact First Student at 741-4023.

On August 11, the first day of school, each English Landing students will receive a personalized STUDENT BADGE. (Student badges are explained on Page 2) Students will need to wear their STUDENT BADGE to and from English Landing each day. Each English Landing school bus will have a ZPASS badge reader at the entrance of the bus which students will swipe as they enter the school bus. Having this technology resource will help us more accurately monitor the number of students traveling on each bus each day. We are excited to offer this component in Park Hill!

Image and Contact Information Opt-Out Designation

Throughout the school year, the Park Hill School District and/or English Landing might take pictures or video and release personal information about students for promotion.

Examples might include but are not limited to:

- A special event or program at a school might be covered by a newspaper or television station, resulting in student interviews and pictures.
- Award-winning students might have their names and photos published in a local newspaper, a school news letter, the districts "First Hand" e-newsletter, the districts "Park Hill Connection" newsletter or on Park Hill TV Channel 18.
- The district or school might post pictures of school activities on webpages and social media.

If you do not want your child's image or information used, please contact the English Landing Office at 359-4370 to complete a [2016-2017 Denial to Release Information Form](#). This form must be signed by a parent or guardian annually.

2016-2017 Park Hill Elementary Early Release Dates

October 13, 2016	Elementary Schools Dismissed at 1:30pm
November 10, 2016	Elementary Schools Dismissed at 1:30pm
December 8, 2016	Elementary Schools Dismissed at 1:30pm
January 12, 2017	Elementary Schools Dismissed at 1:30pm
February 9, 2017	Elementary Schools Dismissed at 1:30pm
March 9, 2017	Elementary Schools Dismissed at 1:30pm
April 13, 2017	Elementary Schools Dismissed at 1:30pm
May 11, 2017	Elementary Schools Dismissed at 1:30pm

English Landing Twitter: [English Landing Twitter - @EnglishLanding](#)



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NEW Eagle Welcome on August 11, 2016

A **NEW Eagle** Morning Coffee will be held on the first day of school, **August 11, 2016** from **8:45am to 9:15am** in the media center. In following an English Landing annual tradition, we offer this morning coffee for families new to our English Landing school community to provide an opportunity to meet other English Landing families and members of our PTA Executive Board. We hope to see you there!

August 11, 2016

8:45am to 9:15am

English Landing Media Center

Food Service: English Landing Breakfast and Lunch

Families will have the opportunity to put money on their child's lunch account at Back to School Night. The Park Hill food service notifies families when a student's lunch account is running low through an automated phone message system. All schools offer a state and federally approved breakfast and lunch program. August menus will be available at Back to School night. Monthly menus can be found at the Park Hill website: www.parkhill.k12.mo.us.

Students may be eligible for free or reduced price breakfast and lunch based on federal income guidelines. Forms are available in the school office and on the district website at www.parkhill.k12.mo.us. Applications must be submitted for each household each school year. Until a student's free and reduced lunch paperwork is processed, a family is responsible for providing their child with a sack lunch from home or paying for a school lunch. This process typically takes about 3 school days to complete.

Meal Prices

Student Breakfast: \$1.25

Student Lunch: \$2.35

Milk: \$.50/Juice: \$.40

Extras / Snacks: \$.50

Adult Breakfast: \$1.75

Adult Lunch: 3.30

English Landing Health Room: Overview

The English Landing health room is available if your child becomes ill or injured while at school. Please familiarize yourself with the Park Hill Student/Parent Handbook pages 21-26 with details of our Health Services guidelines and procedures. Missouri law requires all students to have on file evidence of required immunizations prior to attending school (Policy JHCB) The **Medication Authorization Form** must be completed and signed by the parent or guardian for all medications given at school. It is recommended that medication NOT be sent to school with children. Parents should bring the medication to the health room (8:15am to 3:45pm).

A student will be sent home from school with any of the following:

- Temperature 100 degrees or greater, or with incidents of vomiting and/or diarrhea.
- Symptoms related to a possible communicable diseases.
- Excessive drainage from eyes, ears, persistent earache, constant cough, or painful sore throat with enlarged lymph nodes.
- Students with an acute infectious disease or parasite (head lice and/or nits).

Mrs. Suhr, English Landing's Health Room Nurse, will be available at Back to School Night on August 9 to answer any additional questions you might have or please contact her directly at 359-4374.



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English Landing 2016-2017 PTA News

The English Landing PTA Executive Board is excited about the upcoming 2016-2017 school year! PTA works to enhance student experience throughout the school year including supplementing the funding for each student to attend a field trip, providing students with a birthday book on his or her special day or half birthday (summer birthdays), planning three holiday parties, and purchasing additional resources to enhance the learning environment for our students. Get involved to make your child's elementary school years extra special! Joining the English Landing PTA will ensure you are up to date on school events and helps you get involved in English Landing activities. Check out the PTA link under **Parent Resources** on the English Landing website for more information.

2016-2017 English Landing PTA Executive Board Officers

President: Chris Albani

Vice-President of Membership: Shawna Mazeitis and Brandy Colson

Vice-President of Volunteers: Kathleen Threadgill

Vice-President of Fundraising: Lisa Darnell

Treasurer: Ginger Gimple

Secretary: Theresa Fitzpatrick

2016-2017 English Landing PTA Meeting Dates

August 29, 2016 6:30pm to 7:30pm

October 3, 2016 11:00am to Noon

January 9, 2017 6:30pm to 7:30pm

March 6, 2017 11:00am to Noon

May 1, 2017 11:00am to Noon

English Landing Car Riders Process

Students who will be car riders every day at evening dismissal will be considered Everyday Car Riders. Parents of car riders and/or walkers need to contact Mr. Matt Wachel, Assistant Principal, at wachelm@parkhill.k12.mo.us or 359-6397. He will provide a copy of the 2016-17 parental consent. Once the parental consent is received a 2016-2017 family car rider sign will be sent home with your child in his/her backpack.

Everyday car riders will be escorted by a grade level teacher to the reading alcove in the first grade hall. Two staff members will supervise the car riders as they are dismissed to meet their ride.

The English Landing staff requests parents remain in cars and form a pick-up line in the front parking lot by the entrance of our school. Please display your family car rider sign in the front passenger window. Teachers in the parking lot will radio teachers inside the building for children to come outside when their ride arrives. If your family does not have the family name sign with you, it is necessary for you to park your car and go inside the building and sign your child out in the office on the computer sign out system.

In order to eliminate congestion in the front lobby, we ask that you wait in the "car rider" line and do not come into English Landing to pick up your children unless it is an emergency or you have been asked to do so by a staff member. If you need to park and come into English Landing at dismissal, please park in our front parking lot, and do not park on Klamm Drive. The KCMO Public Works Department has designated Klamm Drive in front of English Landing as a no-parking zone, and the KCMO police department closely patrols this area.



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2016-2017 PTA Membership Information



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ENGLISH LANDING PTA 2016-2017

PARENT'S NAME _____
LAST FIRST

ADDRESS _____
CITY STATE ZIP

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

CHILD'S NAME _____ TEACHER _____

CHILD'S NAME _____ TEACHER _____

CHILD'S NAME _____ TEACHER _____

ANNUAL FUNDRAISER (INVEST IN YOUR CHILD):

_____ I am donating \$100 _____ \$50 _____ \$25 _____ Other _____
_____ per child _____ total

_____ My employer offers matching gifts _____
(name of company)

_____ I would like to Sponsor a Child for \$ _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:

INDIVIDUAL \$8 _____

BUSINESS MEMBER \$50 _____

(Please attach a business card or other contact information so that we may properly acknowledge your business)

VOLUNTEERS:

Would you like to be contacted about volunteering with EL PTA? YES _____ NO _____

For PTA use only below this line

GRAND TOTAL PAYMENTS \$ _____

_____ CASH _____ CHECK NUMBER _____ INITIAL _____



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English Landing Car Rider Form



PARENTAL CONSENT TO RELEASE STUDENT FROM SCHOOL

CAR RIDERS Everyday and Occasional

Student Name _____ Teacher _____

Student Name _____ Teacher _____

I understand the Park Hill School District offers bus transportation, to and from school, to every child in the District. I also understand the Park Hill School District encourages every student to take advantage of the bus transportation provided by the District.

PARENTAL CONSENT TO RELEASE STUDENT FROM SCHOOL (Please check the box that best applies to your situation.)

	EVERYDAY CAR RIDERS	I understand and acknowledge that bus transportation from school is provided to my child/children by the District, but agree that I will pick up my child/children from school on an EVERYDAY basis. I further agree my child/children will be dismissed from school each day to meet me in the parking lot.
	OCCASIONAL CAR RIDERS	I understand and acknowledge that bus transportation from school is provided to my child/children by the District, but agree that I will pick up my child/children from school on an OCCASIONAL basis. I further agree my child/children will be dismissed from school on days that I call the office prior to 2:30 pm to meet me in the parking lot.

Finally, I acknowledge and agree no daily "sign out" is required prior to the dismissal of my child/children from school each day. If I deviate from the above dismissal procedure, I will contact the school office to communicate alternate plans. I understand a written notice of alternate plans is preferred, and that a telephone request to deviate from the above dismissal procedure will be honored only if I can be identified by the office staff as my child's parent/guardian.

Parent Signature

Date