



# Pasco Elementary School

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

As required by state statute, students in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades at Pasco Elementary School will receive an additional 50 minutes of daily instructional time. We see this as a great opportunity for us to provide students with the additional support that they need to be successful. The school day for students in these grade levels will be from 8:40 – 3:40. Pre-K to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students will remain on the 8:40-2:50 time schedule. Transportation will be provided for both release times.

Students will have a total of 180 minutes during the day for English Language Arts instruction. Students will continue to have content time in math, science and social studies. Additionally, students in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades will have additional literacy supports.

Please support us by having your child at school every day; attendance is important. We want every student to be successful at Pasco Elementary School.

**We will have a parent information night to answer all of your questions on Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00PM in the multi-purpose room.**

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Green

Principal

## Frequently Asked Questions

### ***Is there childcare available for younger siblings?***

At this time, we need to know if this is a concern for you. Please contact our front office and leave your contact information for additional assistance with this matter. Presently, we do not have additional supervision available for K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade students. As we plan, we will keep you posted on options that are available.

### ***Is my child required to attend?***

State statute requires all students in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> to attend. Students with a level 5 in Reading may be exempt; please contact us if you would like more information on this exemption.

### ***How can I support my child at home?***

We encourage you to have conversations with your child around what they are reading, ask questions about what they have read.

Establish a reading time for 30 minutes a day at home.

Ask your child to read to a younger sibling.

Encourage your child with their reading and model good reading.