

# RING THE BELL PHL



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**Back-to-School Campaign & Bus Tour**

The School District of Philadelphia

Designed to kick off the new school year, The School District of Philadelphia's Back-to-School Campaign is all about preparing students, parents, and the community for a successful academic year and ensuring a smooth return to school.

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School starts  
Tuesday, September 5th



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# DIRECT MAILER + BACK-TO-SCHOOL CHECKLIST




**Attend Today. Achieve Tomorrow.**

Attending school on time, every day provides your child with the opportunities for discovery, exploration, learning and achievement they need to thrive. Children who attend school regularly are more likely to:

- read at or above grade level,
- do well in math,
- build lasting relationships that support their social and emotional well-being, and
- successfully graduate high school.

If your child is absent for just two days per month, they end up missing nearly a month of the school year. The more school time a student misses, the more challenging it becomes to catch up.

If you are having attendance challenges, please contact your child's principal or teachers for help, or visit [philasd.org/attendtoday](https://philasd.org/attendtoday) for helpful resources.



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Back-to-School CHECKLIST

**Use this checklist to be sure your student is ready to attend school on the first day, September 5th, and everyday during the school year.**

- Make sure your child is up to date on required immunizations and physicals**  
Free school-required vaccines and PIAA required sports physicals are available at any CityLife Health Clinic or City Health Center in Philadelphia. Schedule an appointment at [philasd.org/vax](https://philasd.org/vax) or by calling 1-877-926-9272.
- Know your child's bell & bus schedule**  
Check the school's website or call the school office for details.
- Readjust your child's sleep schedule**  
As school nears, start setting back your child's bedtime and waking them up earlier (if needed) to make the school transition easier.
- Review the School Year Calendar**  
Visit [philasd.org/calendar](https://philasd.org/calendar). Take special note of holidays and 3-hour early dismissal days so you can plan ahead.
- Update your contact information**  
Moved? New phone number? Emergency contacts changed? Contact the school and let them know. Having correct information on file allows school staff to share important updates and contact you in an emergency.
- Register for a Parent and Family Portal account if you don't yet have one**  
It's the best way to directly access information about your child's attendance, grades, test scores, immunization records and more. Register at [philasd.org/pportal](https://philasd.org/pportal).
- Check your child's Chromebook**  
It's their tool for learning anytime, anywhere. Having issues? Our Technology Support Centers can help. Visit [philasd.org/chromebooks](https://philasd.org/chromebooks) for locations and operating hours.
- Shop ahead for school supplies**  
Check the school's website for a list of the school supplies, uniforms and other items your child will need.
- Visit a Back-to-School Bus Tour Stop**  
Get free backpacks, school supplies, important back-to-school resources and information, and more. See the bus schedule below and at [philasd.org/ringthebell](https://philasd.org/ringthebell).

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Bus TOUR

<p><b>Monday, July 31   10am-2pm</b> Martin Luther King High School, 6100 Stenton Ave.</p> <p><b>Wednesday, August 2   9am-11am</b> J. Finnegan Playground, 6801 Grovers Ave.</p> <p><b>Friday, August 4   10am-2pm</b> George Washington High School Football Field 10175 Bustleton Ave.</p> <p><b>Monday, August 7   9am-11am</b> Hillside Recreation Center, 201 Fountain St.</p> <p><b>Tuesday, August 8   10am-2pm</b> Marcus Foster Memorial Stadium (Gratz Supersite) 1627 W. Hunting Park Ave.</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, August 9   9am-11am</b> South Philadelphia High School, 2102 S. Broad St</p> <p><b>Friday, August 11   9am-11am</b> Bridesburg Recreation Center, 4601 Richmond St.</p> <p><b>Saturday, August 12   10am-2pm</b> School of the Future, 4021 Parkside Ave.</p> <p><b>Monday, August 14   9am-11am</b> Overbrook Educational Center, 6722 Lansdowne Ave.</p> <p><b>Wednesday, August 16   9am-11am</b> Willard Elementary School, 1930 E. Elkhart St</p> <p><b>Friday, August 18   12pm-3pm</b> Roosevelt Mall, Corner of Cottman &amp; Bustleton Aves</p>
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# BUS WRAP

