

Welcome to Bibich!



2021-2022 School Year

We are the **Bibich Bulldogs.**



Our colors are blue and white.

The theme for the 2021-2022 school year is

Time for S'More Learning!

Office Staff

The front office is operated by our two secretaries who keep things running smoothly. They can be reached by calling Bibich's main office number **219-322-1185**.

Mrs. Jill Keleman is the Data Secretary. Her email is jkeleman@lcscmail.com.

Mrs. Dalia Hoover is the Secretary/Bookkeeper. Her email is dhoover@lcscmail.com.

Mrs. Lisa Phillips is the Nurse.

She can be reached at lphillip@lcscmail.com or extension #5337.

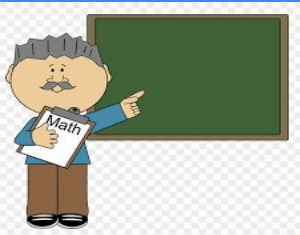
Mrs. Kim Hayes is the Assistant Principal.

She can be reached at khayes@lcscmail.com or extension #5336.

Mrs. Deedee Logan is the Principal.

She can be reached at dlogan@lcscmail.com or extension #5335.

Classroom Teachers



Special Education Teachers

Mrs. Augsburger, room 22
Miss Tellez, room 21

Early Childhood Teachers

Ms. Crystal Wiatrowski, room 28
Miss Alyssa Martinez, room 23

Kindergarten Teachers

Mrs. Venturelli, room 6
Mrs. Heinecke, room 7
Mrs. Pavlina, room 8
Mrs. Kelley, room 9

First Grade Teachers

Mrs. Bowen, room 1
Mrs. Cruz, room 2
Mrs. Gerlach, room 5
Mrs. Hanson, room 3
Mrs. Skipper, room 4

Second Grade Teachers

Miss Batres, room 10
Ms. Darnell, room 11
Ms. Frazier, room 12
Miss Herman, room 27
Mrs. Pratt, room 16
Mrs. Torres, room 15

Third Grade Teachers

Mr. Bonick, room 17
Mrs. Caddick, room 20
Mrs. Crary, room 18
Ms. Fechalos, room 19

Fourth Grade Teachers

Mrs. Huffman, room 30
Mrs. Ottenhoff, room 29
Ms. O'Rourke, room 24
Ms. Snow, room 25

About Bibich

- Our current enrollment is approximately 40 early childhood students and 490 students in kindergarten-4th grade.
- The average class size is 22.
- We have a full time nurse (Nurse Lisa).
- We have a school counselor (Mrs. Megyesi).
- Students in K-4 attend a 45 minute special class 5 days a week.
 - Art (Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Sharp, Ms. Perez)
 - Music (Mrs. Maurek)
 - PE (Ms. Noel)
 - Library (Mrs. Rardin)
 - Technology (Ms. Perez)

Breakfast and Lunch

- We offer free breakfast and lunch for all students.
- Breakfast is optional for those who wish to eat in the cafeteria.
- Students receive a 25 minute lunch with options to receive a hot entree, a plain salad with cheese, a turkey salad, a Trix meal, or a turkey sandwich on a sub roll. Every lunch is served with a choice of fruits or vegetables and a milk.
- Students can bring a home lunch. Students with home lunches also have the option to purchase a milk for 50 cents.
- Lunch will be in the cafeteria. Each class is assigned a table. Students sit at assigned seats with their class.
- Parents can deposit money into a lunch account.
- Menus are available on the district website.
- If your child has nut allergies and requires a peanut-free area, please contact the nurse.

*The above information applies to K-4 students. EC parents, the teachers will share specific EC information with you.

Recess

- Students receive a 30 minute recess on the playground.
- There will be one grade level at a time on the playground.
- During inclement weather, we have indoor recess in classrooms.
- The teachers will share specific specials schedules and lunch/recess times, as they vary by grade level and class.

Academics

- Bibich/LC follows a rigorous curriculum that meets/exceeds the Indiana Academic Standards.
- All students receive a minimum of 60 minutes of math instruction daily.
- All students receive a minimum of 105 minutes (120 min. for grades 2-4) of literacy instruction daily.
- We offer special education services for students needing additional support through two full time special education teachers.
- We have a full time Speech Language Pathologist (Ms. Krygsheld) and Speech Language Pathology Assistant (Mrs. Kerber).
- Language services are available for students needing English language support (Mrs. Ostrom).
- Our reading specialist (Mrs. Mackowiak) provides reading services to students needing reading support.

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Academics

- We have an intervention assistance team (IAT) in place to meet with parents of students needing additional academic and/or behavioral support.
- Students participate in high ability testing in kindergarten and second grade. Those who qualify receive high ability instruction through licensed high ability teachers in grades 1-4.
- We offer before school tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays (by teacher invitation), beginning in September.
- Students receive 30 minutes of daily RTI (response to instruction) where they work on specific remediation or enrichment skills in small groups with the teacher and/or paraprofessionals.

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Educating the Whole Child

At Bibich we are committed to meeting the needs of the whole child. Our goal is to not only meet their needs through a rigorous academic plan, but by working on the **social/emotional needs** of our learners. We do this by implementing the following:

- Students learn Social Emotional Learning skills using the Second Step Curriculum.
- A resiliency team leads the staff in the area of mindfulness techniques and supportive strategies to assist all staff and students.
- A sensory room and a sensory path to enable students to take a movement break when appropriate.
- Teachers use brain based practices and strategies in their classrooms.
- We teach school wide expectations, procedures, and protocols.
- A school counselor promotes and fosters positive peer interaction, social/emotional regulation, and tools and strategies to empower the students to be independent thinkers and learners.

School Day

7:50 Begin unloading cars
Breakfast students enter



8:00 FIRST BELL
Buses unload
Continue unloading cars



8:10 TARDY BELL
Students must be in the classroom



2:30 Dismiss Adventure Club

2:40 DISMISSAL BELL
Bus and car dismissal begins



Where to Access Information

- Bibich Website-bibich.lcsc.us
- LC Website-lcsc.us
- Eventlink Calendar-<https://eventlink.com/>
- Student-Parent Handbook-
https://lcsc.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Elementary_Handbook_2021_2022_2.pdf
- Student Code of Conduct Handbook-
https://lcsc.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Code_of_Conduct_2021_2022.pdf
- Skyward-
<https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wsedulakecentralin/seplog01.w>
- School Messenger
- Canvas-<https://lakecentral.instructure.com/login>
- Friday Newsletter-sent home every Friday and available on the Bibich website



Treats/Snacks



- Some teachers have an optional morning or afternoon snack break where students can choose to bring in a healthy snack.
- Teachers will share specific information with you regarding allowable snack items. We encourage healthy choices.
- As a safety precaution, we do not allow students to share food with others. This includes birthday treats.

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

General

- Always use the crosswalk.
- Please plan to **follow your normal routine** starting the first day of school.
- We will have many staff members help with arrival and dismissal the first week of school. We will be there to help students who are nervous or unsure where to go.
- Students eating **breakfast at school** will exit buses at 7:50 and enter through door B. Please make sure your child knows (and you may want to mention it to the bus driver) if they are supposed to get off the bus for breakfast. All other bus students enter through door A when the bell rings at 8:00.
- We will unload and load buses one grade level at a time, starting with kindergarten, so children are not overwhelmed and hallways are not overcrowded.
- The **default transportation is the bus**, so **unless we hear otherwise from you we will put your child on the bus**. If your child will not be a bus rider, please let school know before dismissal on the first day.

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

General (continued)

- If your child will be going home a way that is different than their normal routine, please **send a note** in the morning or call as soon as you know of the change. Whenever possible, please do not wait until dismissal to let us know of a change in plans. The office is very busy during dismissal, and we want to make sure everyone gets to the correct destination.
- It's OK to email the teacher to let them know of a change in plans, but be sure to also notify the office in case the teacher is absent or does not see the email in time.
- Buses will be late the first several days of school, so do not be alarmed if your child does not arrive home at the posted drop off time.

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

Arrival

- Buses unload in the first line along the curb closest to the building.
- Cars unload in the middle line from 7:55-8:10. Students should exit cars at the crosswalk and enter through door A.
- Cars should not begin unloading until the crossing guards are in place and signal for students to begin exiting cars.
- The crossing guards will remain outside until all cars are unloaded (even after 8:10 if there is still a line.)
- Please do NOT park and walk through the parking lot. It slows down the drop off line and is dangerous due to limited visibility. **Please remain in the car and use the drop off line.**
- Students are considered tardy after 8:10 (except in inclement weather and when the line is long). If it is after 8:10 and the crossing guards are no longer outside, then you will need to park and walk your child into the office for a tardy pass.
- **Car riders should have the student's first and last name clearly marked in the passenger side window.**

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

Dismissal

- Adventure Club, early childhood classes, and special buses dismiss at 2:30.
- Buses and cars begin dismissing at 2:40.
- Buses enter the parking lot at the east entrance. **Cars should not use the east entrance during dismissal.**
- Cars line up at the south end of the parking lot in two lines. **To help avoid congestion, please stagger your arrival between 2:40-2:55 and do not arrive early.** Enter through the west entrance and proceed to the line. Cars are waved forward when it is time to begin loading.
- **For the safety of the children and staff, when you pull forward please put your car in park, turn off your cell phone, and remain in your car.**
- Car riders are walked to individual cars by a staff member. They will open the door to the back seat on the passenger side. **Please put your child's first and last name on a sign in the front passenger side window.**
- Please do not come into the office to sign your child out at dismissal unless you have an appointment or special circumstance that requires them to be called out of class early.

Early Release Days

In order to provide time for professional development for teachers, there will be 8 early release days this school year on the following dates:

- September 14
- October 12
- November 9
- January 11
- February 8
- March 8
- April 12
- May 10

Students will eat lunch at school.

Elementary students will be dismissed beginning at 11:40 am.



Further details will be provided prior to the first early release day.

Bibich PTO

2021-2022 Officers

- Amanda Ortega and Jessica Saxsma-Bultema, Co-Presidents
- Manali Abhyankar, Secretary
- Rebecca Ruf, Treasurer

They can be reached at bibichpto@gmail.com.

The Bibich PTO Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/bibich.pto>

Bibich spirit wear will be available for purchase through our PTO. We encourage students and staff to wear spirit wear (or Bibich blue) on Fridays.



