

Brighten Academy Calendar of Events

August 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Open House 4-7 pm	2	3 First Day of School 12:00 Dismissal	4 12:00 Dismissal	5 12:00 Dismissal	6
7	8 Board Mtg. 6:00	9 PTO Meeting 6:00 Cafe	10 12:00 Dismissal	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 12:00 Dismissal	18 PTO Spirit Night Pelican's 4-8	19	20 Volunteer Work Day
21	22 MAP Board Mtg. 6:00	23 MAP	24 MAP Community Cir- cle K-8 8:30 in Gym 12:00 Dismissal	25 MAP PTO Step It Up Fundraiser Kick- off Brighten Band Night—Café 6pm	26 MAP Book Fair	27
28	29 MAP Book Fair	30 MAP Book Fair	31 MAP Book Fair 12:00 Dismissal			

- **Birdies Fore Brighten—Golf Tournament Fundraiser—Coming up October 28 Mirror Lake Golf Course—Save the Date! Contact the Board to help or play or sponsor—mmarkel@brightenacademy.com**
- **Brighten Basics**—for new Brighten families. A high level overview of our school operations. Sessions are the same, and a recording will be posted on the website.
- **Volunteer Work Days**—come out and help us beautify our campus! A total of 10 volunteer credits are due before January 1st. Bring your own lawn equipment and/or tools.
- **PTO:** Want to be part of a great group!?? You can by joining PTO—it is only \$5 per person or \$10 per family. You also earn 1 volunteer credit for joining. Our goal is 100% participation by our families—help us reach it!
- **Measures of Academic Achievement (MAP)**—this norm-referenced test helps us see where our students rank among other students in the nation. Our students take it three times per year, and we love to see their growth. Ask your child about it!
- **Community Circle**—join us for this beginning of the year celebration or ask your child to tell you all about it!
- **Book Fair**—in the media center. All proceeds benefit our library collection.
- **PTO Spirit Night**—bring your family and support our spirit night partners, who donate a portion of their profits at each spirit night back to our school. Be sure to mention you are with Brighten Academy!
- **PTO Meeting**—Meet the PTO officers, then discussion and voting on the fundraising priority for the school year. Meetings will be held in person or via zoom. TBD. Join PTO and have a voice!
- **Board meetings**—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
- **YEARBOOK SALES:** Aug. 10-Dec. 31—\$35. Prices go up after this date!

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September 2022



**BRIGHTEN
ACADEMY**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 MAP Book Fair	2 BMAP Book Fair	3
4	5 Holiday for All	6 Student Holiday/ Teacher Work Day	7 MAP 12:00 Dismissal	8 MAP	9 MAP	10
11	12 Board Mtg. 6:00	13 PTO Meeting 6:00 Cafe	14 12:00 Dismissal	15 PTO Spirit Night Jason's Deli 4-9 Parent Night: Kindergar- ten 5:30/1st Grade 6:30	16	17 Volunteer Work Day
18	19 PTO Spirit Week Parent Night: 2nd Grade 5:30/3rd Grade 6:30	20 PTO Spirit Week Parent Night: 4th Grade 5:30/5th Grade 6:30	21 PTO Spirit Week 12:00 Dismissal	22 PTO Spirit Week Parent Night: 6th Grade 5:30/7th Grade 6:30	23 PTO Spirit Week PTO Movie Night 6:00-10:00 pm	24
25	26 Board Mtg. 6:00 County Marching Band Exhibition	27 Parent Night: 8th Grade 5:30	28 12:00 Dismissal	29 PTO Step It Up Day of Awesomeness TBA Math Night 6:00-7:00 pm	30	

- **Birdies Fore Brighten—Golf Tournament Fundraiser—Coming up October 28 Mirror Lake Golf Course—Save the Date! Contact the Board to help or play or sponsor—mmarkel@brightenacademy.com**
- **Volunteer Work Days**—come out and help us beautify our campus! A total of 10 volunteer credits are due before January 1st.
- **Board meetings**—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
- **Community Circle**—come and join us or ask your child to tell you all about it!
- **Grade Level Parent Night**—come out to learn more about your child's teacher and grade in person.
- **PTO Spirit Week**—Show your Brighten pride! More information to come about the theme and this fun-filled week!
- **PTO Spirit Night**—bring your family and support our spirit night partners, who donate a portion of their profits at each spirit night back to our school. Be sure to mention you are with Brighten Academy!
- **PTO Movie Night**—bring your family and sit on the lawn for movie night! Details TBD.
- **PTO meetings**—everyone is welcome—via Zoom or in person (TBD) and see how you can help (and earn your volunteer credits).
- **Lunch with Leadership**—come to an open forum with the school leadership. Format TBD.
- **Math Night**—Want to help your child love math? Attend this information night from 6:00-7:00 pm. Format TBD.
- **YEARBOOK SALES:** Aug. 10-Dec. 31—\$35. Prices go up after this date!

**7 C's Decks—7 activities are due by January 13 to participate in the Green Party. All 14 activities are due by April 14th to be eligible for the Green Shirt Award. Don't wait—start now!

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October 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5 12:00 Dismissal	6 PTO Potluck for Staff End of 1st 9 Wks Grading Period	7 End of 1st 9 Wks (46 Days)	8
9	10 Holiday for All (Except 240 Emp)	11 Holiday for All (Except 240 Emp)	12 6-8 Community Circle 8:15 in Gym 12:00 Dismissal	13 PTO Spirit Night Chipotle 4-8	14	15 Volunteer Work Day
16	17 Board Mtg. 6:00	18 Report Cards Issued PTO Meeting 6:00 Cafe	19 3-5 Community Circle 8:15 in Gym 12:00 Dismissal	20	21 Oktoberfest 6:00-9:00	22
23	24	25 Class/Individual Pictures (Wear Uniform)	26 K-2 Community Circle 8:15 in Gym 12:00 Dismissal	27	28 Golf Tournament	29
30	31					

- **Birdies Fore Brighten—Golf Tournament Fundraiser—Coming up October 28 Mirror Lake Golf Course—Save the Date! Contact the Board to help or play or sponsor—mmarkel@brightenacademy.com**
- **PTO Potluck for Staff**—contact PTO to help provide a much-appreciated lunch for our staff! This month provided by 2nd and 5th grade parents!
- **Report cards** for K-8 are issued every 9 weeks—Be sure to look for the “Important Papers” envelope from your child. Sign and return the envelope to your child’s teacher. Be sure to review the report card with your child, helping them to take ownership of their learning.
- **PTO Oktoberfest**—costumes, candy, and decorated trunks make for lots of fun! Join us!
- **Volunteer Work Days**—come out and help us beautify our campus inside and out! A total of 10 volunteer credits are due before January 1st.
- **PTO Spirit Night**—bring your family and support our spirit night partners, who donate a portion of their profits at each spirit night back to our school. Be sure to mention you are with Brighten Academy!
- **Board** meetings—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
- **Lunch with Leadership**—come to an open forum with the school leadership. Format TBD.
- **YEARBOOK SALES:** Aug. 10-Dec. 31—\$35. Prices go up after this date!

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November 2022



**BRIGHTEN
ACADEMY**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Day of the Dead—Media Center	2 12:00 Dismissal	3 PTO Potluck for Staff	4 Middle School 6th-8th Dance 7- 10 pm	5
6	7 Board Mtg. 6:00	8 Student Holiday/ Teacher Work Day	9 12:00 Dismissal	10 PTO Spirit Night Panda Express 4- 9	11 Drama Perfor- mance	12 Drama Per- formance
13 Drama Perform- ance	14 District Honor Jazz Band	15 RETAKES: Indi- vidual Pictures (Wear Uniform) PTO Meeting 6:00 Café DC Honor Band Auditions	16 12:00 Dismissal	17	18	19
20	21 Holiday (Except 230/240 Emp)	22 Holiday (Except 230/240 Emp)	23 Holiday for All	24 Holiday for All	25 Holiday for All	26
27	28 MAP Board Mtg. 6:00	29 MAP Book Fair	30 MAP Book Fair 12:00 Dismissal			

- **PTO Potluck for Staff**—contact PTO to help provide a much-appreciated lunch for our staff! This month provided by 3rd and 6th grade parents!
 - **Board meetings**—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
 - **Lunch with Leadership**—come to an open forum with the school leadership. Format TBD.
 - **Measures of Academic Achievement (MAP)**—this norm-referenced test helps us see where our students rank among other students in the nation. This month students will take it for the second time, and we love to see their growth. Ask your child about it!
 - **Weekend of the Arts Drama Performance**—Need some entertainment? Need some culture? Come out and support our drama and music program at the Weekend of the Arts. Performances TBA.
 - **Book Fair**—in the media center. All proceeds benefit our library collection.
 - **Volunteer credits**—10 are due before Jan. 1st. Report cards are held until this obligation is met. Email your child’s teacher or administration if you need ways to meet your volunteer credits.
 - **PTO Spirit Night**—bring your family and support our spirit night partners, who donate a portion of their profits at each spirit night back to our school. Be sure to mention you are with Brighten Academy!
 - **YEARBOOK SALES:** Aug. 10-Dec. 31—\$35. Prices go up after this date!
- *****Talent Show Tryouts**—March 29, 30, and 31, 2023, Times TBA. Start working on your routines, dances, songs, skits, juggling, etc. now for April performance!
- **7 C’s Decks—7 activities are due by January 13 to participate in the Green Party. All 14 activities are due by April 14th to be eligible for the Green Shirt Award. Don’t wait—start now!

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December 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 MAP Book Fair	2 MAP Book Fair	3 All State Band Auditions PTO Mistletoe Market 9am-4pm
4	5 MAP Book Fair	6 MAP Book Fair PTO Meeting 6:00 Cafe	7 MAP Book Fair 12:00 Dismissal	8 MAP	9 MAP PTO Jingle Drive Thru**	10
11	12 MAP Spirit Week Board Mtg. 6:00	13 MAP Spirit Week	14 Spirit Week 12:00 Dismissal	15 Spirit Week **PTO Jingle Drive Thru RAIN DATE	16 Spirit Week End of Semester/2nd 9 Wks (88/42 Days) Grading Period Ends	17
18	19 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	20 Holiday (Except 230/240 Emp)	21 Holiday	22 Holiday	23 Holiday	24
25	26 Holiday	27 Holiday	28 Holiday	29 Holiday	30 Holiday	31

- **PTO Mistletoe Market**—craft vendors presented in the gym. Shopping, gifts, and fun!
- **PTO Jingle All the Way Thru**—drive through our parking lot and be enchanted by winter holiday themed displays! Free fun!
- **Board meetings**—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
- **Book Fair**—in the media center. All proceeds benefit our library collection.
- **A total of 10 volunteer credits are due before January 1st. All 20 volunteer credits are due May 1st. Please turn in your volunteer hours (at least 10 by Jan. 1st) to receive your child’s report card on time.**
- **YEARBOOK SALES:** Aug. 10-Dec. 31—\$35. Prices go up after this date!

*****Coming up....Black History Showcase!** More details and information coming soon!

*****Talent Show Tryouts**—March 29, 30, and 31, 2023, Times TBA. Start working on your routines, dances, songs, skits, juggling, etc. now for April performance!

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January 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Holiday	3 Student Holiday/ Teacher Work Day	4 12:00 Dismissal	5	6	7
8	9 Report Cards Issued Board Mtg. 6:00	10 PTO Meeting 6:00 Cafe	11 Community Circle 8:30 in Gym 12:00 Dismissal	12	13	14
15	16 Holiday	17	18 12:00 Dismissal	19	20	21
22	23 Board Mtg. 6:00	24	25 12:00 Dismissal	26 Green Party 3:15- 5:00 pm	27	28
29	30	31				

- **Welcome to 2023!**
 - All 20 of the **volunteer credits** are due before May 1st.
 - **Board** meetings—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
 - **Community Circle**—come and join us or ask your child to tell you all about it!
 - **PTO Spirit Night**—bring your family and support our spirit night partners, who donate a portion of their profits at each spirit night back to our school. Be sure to mention you are with Brighten Academy! This month’s partner: TBA.
 - **Green Party**—students who complete 7 of the 14 activities in the 7 C’s Deck are eligible to attend a fun-filled celebration called the Green Party!
 - **Variety Show Tryouts**—Information coming soon on when, where, and what to bring.
 - **YEARBOOK SALES:** Jan. 1-March 31—\$40. Last day to order a yearbook is March 31. Get yours today!
- *****Coming up....Black History Showcase!** More details and information coming soon!
- *****Talent Show Tryouts**—March 29, 30, and 31, 2023, Times TBA. Start working on your routines, dances, songs, skits, juggling, etc. now for April performance!
- **7 C’s Decks—7 activities are due by January 13 to participate in the Green Party. All 14 activities are due by April 14th to be eligible for the Green Shirt Award.

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February 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 12:00 Dismissal	2 Reading Night 6:00-7:00 DC Honor Band	3 DC Honor Band	4 DC Honor Band
5	6 Board Mtg. 6:00	7 PTO Meeting 6:00 Cafe	8 12:00 Dismissal	9 District Honor Band	10	11 PTO K-5 Sweet- heart Dance
12	13	14	15 12:00 Dismissal	16 PTO Potluck for Staff	17	18
19	20 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	21 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	22 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	23 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	24 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	25
26	27 Read Across America Spring Pictures (Dress Down Allowed) Board Mtg. 6:00	28 Read Across America Black History Showcase				

- **PTO Potluck for Staff**—contact PTO to help provide a much-appreciated lunch for our staff! This month provided by K, 4th, and 7th parents!
- **Reading Night**—Need some tools to help your child with reading? Come to this information meeting from 6:00-7:00 pm! More Information TBA.
- **7C's Decks All 14 Activities DUE April 14th.**
- **Board meetings**—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
- All 20 of the **volunteer credits** are due before May 1st.
- **Lunch with Leadership**—come to an open forum with the school leadership. Format TBD.
- **PTO K-5th Grade Dance**—more information to come!
- **Read Across America Week**—Celebrate reading with us! Fun activities to celebrate all week Feb. 27-March 3.
- **YEARBOOK SALES:** Jan. 1-March 31—\$40. Last day to order a yearbook is March 31. Get yours today!

****It's here....Black History Showcase!** More details and information TBA!

*****Talent Show Tryouts**—March 29, 30, and 31, 2023, Times TBA. Start working on your routines, dances, songs, skits, juggling, etc. now for April performance!

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March 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Read Across America 12:00 Dismissal	2 Read Across America	3 Read Across America	4
5	6 Cap and Gown Pics for K and 8th Grade	7	8 6-8 Community Circle 8:15 in Gym 12:00 Dismissal	9	10 End of 3rd 9 Wks (42 Days) Middle School 6th-8th Dance 7-10 pm	11 Volunteer Work Day
12 LGPE Band— Week of 3.13	13 Student Holiday/ Teacher Work Day Board Mtg. 6:00	14 PTO Meeting 6:00 Cafe	15 3-5 Community Circle 8:15 in Gym 12:00 Dismissal	16	17	18
19 LGPE Chorus— Week of 3.20	20 Report Cards Issued	21	22 K-2 Community Circle 8:15 in Gym 12:00 Dismissal	23	24	25
26	27 Board Mtg. 6:00	28	29 12:00 Dismissal PTO Talent Show Tryouts	30 PTO Talent Show Tryouts	31 PTO Talent Show Tryouts	

- **7C's Decks All 14 Activities DUE April 14th.**
- **Read Across America Week**—Celebrate reading with us! Fun activities to celebrate all week Feb. 27 -March 3.
- **Board meetings**—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
- **Community Circle**—come and join us or ask your child to tell you all about it!
- **Middle School Spring Dance**—Theme to be Announced; held in the gym.
- All 20 **volunteer credits** are due before May 1st. Students whose families have not fulfilled this obligation may not participate in field day in May and will not receive report cards until this obligation is met.
- **Lunch with Leadership**—come to an open forum with the school leadership. Format TBD.
- **PTO Spirit Night**—bring your family and support our spirit night partners, who donate a portion of their profits at each spirit night back to our school. Be sure to mention you are with Brighten Academy! This month's partner: TBA!

YEARBOOK SALES: Jan. 1-March 31—\$40. Last day to order a yearbook is March 31. Get yours today!

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April 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	
2	3 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	4 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	5 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	6 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	7 Holiday (Except 240 Emp)	8
9	10 Board Mtg. 6:00	11 PTO Meeting 6:00 Cafe	12 12:00 Dismissal	13 PTO Potluck for Staff	14 7 Cs Decks Due Band/Chorus Performances	15 Volunteer Work Day Band/Chorus Performances
16 Band/Chorus Performances	17 MAP	18 MAP So Bright Art Show 6-9 pm	19 MAP 12:00 Dismissal	20 MAP PTO Talent Show Rehearsal	21 MAP	22 PTO Springfest and Talent Show 10am-3pm
23	24 MAP GMAS ELA Grades 3-8 Board Mtg. 6:00	25 MAP GMAS ELA Grades 3-8	26 MAP GMAS Math Grades 3-8 12:00 Dismissal	27 MAP GMAS Science Grade 5/Make- ups 3-8	28 MAP GMAS Make-ups Grades 3-8	29 District Band Solo and Ensemble
30						

- **Spring Break**—April 3rd-7th.
- **Board** meetings—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
- **7C’s Decks All 14 Activities DUE April 14th.**
- **PTO Potluck for Staff**—contact PTO to help provide a much-appreciated lunch for our staff! This month provided by 1st and 8th grade parents!
- **Georgia Milestones (GMAS)** End of Grade Assessments—Standardized testing—the state standardized testing is this month. More information to come.
- **Band/Chorus**—Need some entertainment? Need some culture? Come out and support our band and music program. Details TBA and sent home.
- **So Bright Art Show**—join us for our Second Annual Art Show! More details to come!
- **Measures of Academic Achievement (MAP)**—this norm-referenced test helps us see where our students rank among other students in the nation. This month students will take it for the last time of the year, and we love to see their growth. Ask your child about it!
- **Student Led Conferences**—Your student has been working all year to become a leader of their own learning. Be on the lookout to sign up for your student led conferences (SLCs)—it’s their time to SHINE!
- All 20 **volunteer credits** are due before May 1st. Students whose families have not fulfilled this obligation will not receive report cards until this obligation is met.

Brighten Academy Calendar of Events

May 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 MAP GMAS Science Grade 8	2 MAP GMAS Social Studies Grade 8	3 MAP GMAS Algebra Grade 8 12:00 Dismissal	4 MAP	5 MAP Drama Performance	6 Drama Performance District Clinic Honor Band
7 Drama Performance	8 TAW MAP Book Fair Middle School SLCs and 8th Passages Board Mtg. 6:00 Drama Performance	9 TAW MAP Book Fair Middle School SLCs and 8th Passages PTO Meeting 6:00 Café	10 TAW Book Fair Middle School SLCs and 8th Passages 12:00 Dismissal	11 TAW Book Fair Middle School SLCs and 8th Passages	12 TAW Book Fair Founder's Day 2:00 pm Gym Middle School SLCs and 8th Passages 8th Grade Dance	13
14	15 2nd Awards 8:50 am 6th Awards 1:35 pm GMAS Retests ELA 3, 5, 8	16 3rd Awards 9:40 am 7th Awards 12:45 pm GMAS Retests Math 5, 8	17 12:00 Dismissal 8th Graduation 2:00-4:00 pm in the Gym	18 4th Awards 10:30 am 1st Awards 12:40 pm	19 5th Awards 11:20 am	20 Volunteer Work Day
21	22 K-5 Field Day Board Mtg. 6:00	23	24 2nd Rise Up 8:30 5th Rise Up 9:30 8th Walk 10 am 12:00 Dismissal Last Day of School/ Semester/4th 9 Wks. (89/47 Days) Report Cards Issued	25	26	27
28	29 Holiday	30	31			

- The end of the school year is always busy with many activities, celebrations, and commitments. More information will come from your child's teacher.
- All **volunteer credits** must be turned in by May 1st. Failure to complete your 20 volunteer credits will result in report cards will be held until completion of credits.
- **All Awards will take place in the Gym. Refer to calendar for grade level times.**
- **Weekend of the Arts Drama Performance**—Need some entertainment? Need some culture? Come out and support our drama and music program at the Weekend of the Arts. Performances TBA.
- **Buy One Get One Free Book Fair!!** May 8-12.
- **Board** meetings—open to the public—come and hear all about us and how you can help. Meetings are held in the **media center**.
- **Field Day**—This is a fun filled day of games!! Ask your child's teacher how you can help! Middle school date TBD.
- May 8-12—**Teacher Appreciation Week (TAW)**—details TBA.
- **Founder's Day Celebration** and Community Circle—parents and community members are welcome to this school wide celebration at 2:00 p.m. in the Gym.
- **Rise Up Celebration**—celebrating our 2nd graders and 5th graders Rising Up to a new floor next year! 2nd grade will Rise Up at 9:00 am., and 5th grade will Rise Up at 9:30 am.
- **K and 8th Graduation**—More info coming!
- **8th Grade Walk**—join us in this special tradition to celebrate our 8th graders as they walk the halls one last time before moving on to high school. 10:00 am outside (rain plan TBA).

Have a wonderful summer!

