

Banta School District
PowerSchool Parent Portal

Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Banta Elementary School District continues its efforts to enhance communication with parent(s)/guardian(s). You will have the ability to view your child's grades, attendance, lunch balance and lunch activity, and other information securely via the Internet using the **Powerschool Parent Portal**.

Powerschool's Parent Portal gives you access to real-time information including attendance, grades and detailed assignment descriptions, lunch balance and lunch activity.

If you are interested in using the parent portal you will need to sign the Banta Elementary School District Parent Portal Acceptable Use Policy (see attached) before you will be assigned a user account.

Grades K-3

Grades and assignments for K-3 students will not be available at this time because we are a standards based report card at these grade levels. Grade K-3 parents will be able to access attendance, lunch balances, and lunch transactions.

Grades 4-8

Assignments and grades will be posted on the Parent Portal by your student's teacher. Updates will vary from class to class. Parents can expect that grades for assignments will be posted one-two weeks after that assignment has been turned in. (Teachers will need adequate time to grade all student work and to post the scores.)

Once we receive your signed Parent Portal Acceptable Use Policy you will be emailed the information needed to access the system, an easy-to-follow tutorial, and whom to contact with any questions.

Please keep your password confidential so only you will have access to the information. If at any time you believe your password has been compromised, or if you do not want access to your child's records through the Parent Portal, please contact the school.

The **Powerschool Parent Portal** is a valuable tool, helping you stay well informed on your child's academic progress and attendance. If you have any questions please call Banta Elementary School at 209-229-4650 between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm.

Sincerely,

Albert Garibaldi

Superintendent

Banta Elementary School District

Parent Portal User Guideline and System Requirement

Your Parent Portal account will become active as soon as we receive your signed copy of the Acceptable Use Policy/User Guidelines. You will be contacted with login information and instructions.

- 1.) Parents will have access to the following data about their child:
 - a) Attendance – updated daily
 - b) Grade for current classes – updates will vary from class to class. Parents can expect that grades for assignments will be posted one-two weeks after that assignment has been turned in. (Teachers will need adequate time to grade all student work and to post the scores.)
- 2.) Parents will receive login information and instructions after we receive your signed Acceptable Use Policy/User Guide.
- 3.) Parents will not share their password with anyone and will not set their browsers to auto login to the Parent Portal.
- 4.) Access to the Parent Portal is a privilege and not a right.
- 5.) If questions or concerns arise about your child's grades or attendance please speak with your child first before contacting the teacher or the school district.
- 6.) System recommendations for home computers to access the Parent Portal:
 - a) Internet connection – 56k modem speed or greater.
 - b) Internet Browser – Internet Explorer (IE 6 or higher) or Firefox (2.0 or higher) for Mac, Windows, or Linux.
- 7.) Security features of the Parent Portal:
 - a) Three unsuccessful login attempts will disable the Parent Portal account. In order to use the Parent Portal again, parents will need to contact the school to have their accounts reactivated.
 - b) You will automatically be logged off if you leave the Parent Portal browser open and inactive for a period of time.
 - c) All attempts at logging into the system are recorded and monitored, and a full audit trail is tracked on sensitive data.
 - d) No child's personal data is viewable through the Parent Portal.
- 8.) Your Parent Portal account will remain open as long as your child is a student at Banta Elementary School. Accounts are disabled over the summer and enabled the following school year.

Banta Elementary School District contact information:

Banta Elementary School

Technology Department

Attn: Kitty Towers

22375 El Rancho Rd.

Tracy, CA 95304

209-229-4651 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Should you require help outside of school hours, send an email to mtowers@sjcoe.net and expect an answer within 24 hours on school days. Please include your name, your username, your telephone number and a brief description of the problem in your email request.

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Parent Portal Acceptable Use Policy

Banta Elementary School District offers the Powerschool Parent Portal as a means to further promote educational excellence and to enhance communication with parents. The Parent Portal allows parents to view their own child’s school records anywhere, any time. Use of the Parent Portal is a privilege and not a right. In response for the privilege of accessing the Banta Elementary School District Parent Portal, every parent is expected to act in a responsible, ethical and legal manner. The Parent Portal is available to every parent or guardian of a student enrolled in the Banta Elementary School District. Parents are required to adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Parents will not share passwords with anyone, including their children.
2. Parents will not attempt to harm or destroy data of their children, or another user, or the school district network.
3. Parents will not use the Parent Portal for any illegal activity, including violation of Data Privacy laws. Anyone found to be violating laws will be subject to Civil and/or Criminal consequences.
4. Parents will not access data or any account owned by another parent.
5. Parents who identify a security problem with the Parent Portal must notify the District Technology Department immediately, without demonstrating the problem to anyone else.
6. Parents who are identified as a security risk to the Parent Portal or any other Banta Elementary School District computers or networks, will be denied access to the Parent Portal.
7. Access to the Parent Portal is a privilege and not a right. Improper use, or abuse, by a user will result in termination of this privilege.

Only by signing and returning this agreement will you receive access to the Parent Portal for your child.

Sign and return this form in its entirety.

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*Name(s) and grade(s) of your children in the Banta Elementary School District

Name: _____ Grade: ____ Name: _____ Grade: ____

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I have read the Parent Portal Acceptable Use Policy (including the User’s Guidelines enclosed) and I agree to abide by and support these rules. I understand that if I violate any terms of this Acceptable Use Policy that I may lose my privilege to the use the Parent Portal, and may be held liable for Civil and/or Criminal consequences.

Parent/Guardian #1 Signature

Parent/Guardian #2 Signature

Parent/Guardian #1 Print Name

Parent/Guardian #2 Print Name

Primary Email Address

Date