BRES WILDCAT NEWS

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January 2021

Dear Boothbay-Boothbay Harbor CSD Parents & Community,

It is hard to believe that we have already reached the halfway mark on our school calendar. The 2020 - 2021 school year has been like no other. We continue to be challenged like never before. Our sense of normalcy has been shaken and we continue to deal with the effects of the global pandemic as the days move us forward. Schools across our state and nation have been working tirelessly, to educate students virtually, in-person, and many scenarios in-between. Many hands have worked hard to be certain that every safeguard is in place in our schools.

We remain committed to enforcing safety protocols in our schools and need your continued support. All students and staff must conduct a health screening, using the Ruvna App, each morning prior to getting onto buses and/or entering the school buildings. All students and staff are required to wear a mask. Masks should follow all guidelines outlined in our reopening plan. The school has masks available for any student that does not have one. Bandanas and kerchiefs are not acceptable alternatives. Additionally, hallways are marked to support physical distancing and our teachers and staff will continue to remind students about our procedures to help support a healthy and safe school day. We will continue to do all that we can to remain open for in-person instruction.

It is January in Maine, which brings an increase in common cold symptoms. The common cold symptoms are also symptoms of COVID-19. We recognize that it's confusing and may seem "unnecessary", however, we will continue to require that you do not send your child to school with symptoms. If symptoms develop while at school, you will need to pick your child up. In either case, we require that you follow up with your medical provider to determine the next step in care. There are many students and staff who have displayed symptoms and are required to follow the above procedures. There are also students and staff who have been considered close contacts and are required to quarantine and follow testing protocols to return to school. We will continue to notify our school community when there is a member of our school who has tested positive for COVID-19. It's most helpful to not speculate why a staff or classmate is out of school. Speculation leads to rumors, which are not helpful to our school climate.

We are thankful for your continued support and attention to our important protocols. We will continue to navigate this time together and remain focused on the education, health, and safety of all of our children.

We know this is hard and you are truly appreciated!

Shawna Kurr, Principal BRES & Tricia Campbell, Principal BRHS

Boothbay Region Elementary School



2019-2020 BRES Yearbooks



If you did not order one and would like to there are 20 extras in the BRES Office and are \$12 each.

A Section From the BRES Handbook Regarding Tardy Policy

Parents are obligated to call the school from 7 to 8 am on the days their child will not be present, if you do not call, your child's absence will be recorded as unexcused.

Our bell rings at 7:45. Students who arrive after 7:50 will need to check in with the staff in the front office.

Students who arrive after 10 am will be considered present for a half-day. Students who are dismissed after 10 am will be marked present for a half-day. Students who enter school after 1 pm will be marked absent for the entire day.

Students who arrive after 9:30 am will not be allowed to participate in after school activities. Exceptions will be granted if the tardiness is due to appointments that could not be scheduled outside of school hours. Parents are urged to make medical appointments outside of school hours.

Important Dates

Monday - Friday February 15-19

No School

President's Day/ Winter Break





Fourth grade students testing the obstacle course they created in gym class.



Taking advantage of a sunny day and a BRHS outdoor classroom space to do a GATE math class. Student working on a painting during GATE art time.

