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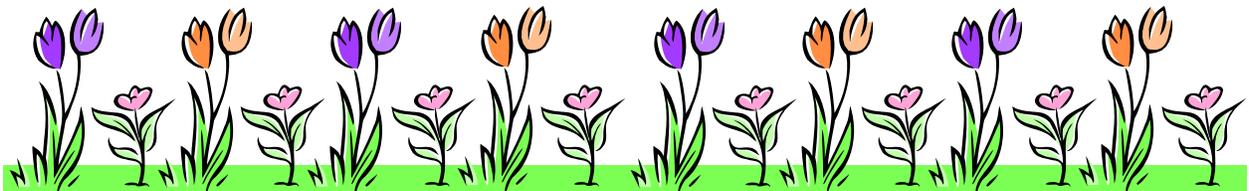
Burr Oak Community Schools



# Oak Openings



May-June 2021



*Owens' Outreach*  
*From the desk of Kristina Owens- Superintendent*

Spring is a time of renewal and growth, not only in our physical world but also in education. Students are showing us what they have learned over the school year and even though we are dealing with a worldwide health crisis this year, we still have much to be thankful for.

Below are some of our 2020/2021 highlights at Burr Oak Community Schools for which we are grateful.

- We have managed to keep our doors open and students on campus since day one (minus one or two weather related cancellations, one 2-week quarantine for two elementary classes, and one State of MI mandated remote learning for three weeks).
- Students and adults have supported one another emotionally. While some have battled Covid, we have not lost any immediate members of Burr Oak Community Schools' family to Covid-19. For our school family that have lost family members, our hearts have been with them.
- Teachers and support staff came together to do jobs they don't normally do. They learned new systems, taught in different ways, and never hesitated to jump when help was needed in any department.
- Student attitudes and behaviors have been amazing; I hope we can continue this trend.
- Communication from parents and students has been outstanding. We very much appreciate your input and partnership.
- Sports were a go! We had some scares and minor setbacks, but athletes were able to have games and for the most part complete their seasons.
- Students and teachers did some "outside the box" thinking and planning. We saw high school students sitting outside in lawn chairs on sunny days while working on their school work. Students presented assessments in a variety of ways. New students acclimated and made positive contributions to our school and student body.
- We worked very hard to provide equitable learning environments to each student. Personalized learning has many benefits and we hope to fine tune and carry that into next year. But back to full days!

Have a great  
  
Summer  
Vacation!

# Classroom News

## Mrs. Lemley GSRP

This year is at an end. The 2020-2021 school year has been an amazing year! The beginning of the year was filled with many uncertainties. Even with the many new rules and regulations we were able to open our school with enthusiasm and expectations like any other year. The routine may have been changed some but we still had a routine that allowed the children to learn many things. The children learned the importance of the changes to help keep everyone safe during the pandemic.

I am confident that Alaya, Ender, Jacobi, McClain, Renesmee, Tyler and Uriah are ready to enter kindergarten in the fall with the skills that they need to be successful.

I will miss everyone! Maybe I can see you in the hallway next year.

Have a fun and safe summer vacation!!

## Mrs. Gonzalez Kindergarten

This academic school year is winding down to an end. So hard to believe it has gone by so fast. This school year is definitely one for the books. Many kindergarten students either did not attend preschool or had their preschool years cut short due to Covid-19. I am so grateful that I was able to join the Burr Oak Community Schools family and be a part of these students lives. This group of students will forever be close and dear to my heart as they are my first year teaching students. This group of students have grown so much this school year it is absolutely amazing. As we are finishing up the school year we are working extremely hard on preparing ourselves for first grade. I will provide the stu-

dents with a starter to a sentence and the students will sound out the rest of their sentence to the best of their ability. They are really enjoying showcasing their work on class dojo for their families to see their work. I have seen these students grow from 5 year olds into 6 year olds. I have seen many teeth fall out and banded many boo-boo's. Thank you everyone for allowing me time with your child and joining your community. These students are super rockstars ready to roll in first grade! Sincerely, Mrs. Gonzalez

## Mrs. Zebolsky First Grade

First I want to say that I am honored to be a part of this amazing Burr Oak team! We have, thus far, been able to complete the school year without any complete shutdowns. We have had a lot of changes this year in staff, schedules, administration, school board, and of course covid protocols. In spite of it all, when I walk through the school, there are still a lot of smiles for, and from, everyone. I believe we would all prefer to be here, in school with "our kids".

Because we will not be having an awards assembly, I want to nominate each of my amazing first graders for a FUN award here. :O)

**Adalynn:** Best Rainbow Hair Colors. **Bentley:** Best Heart **Brayden:** Will Talk to Anyone Award (Mrs. Zebolsky earned that award in school too!) **Carl:** Deep Thinker Award **Charley:** Mom's Dress-Up Doll Award/Prettiest Handwriting Award <3 **Connor:** Would Do Anything for Anyone Award. <3 **Easton:** Amazing Curls! **Isaiah:** Most Innocent smile. ;O)

**Kaydence:** Amazing Person Award **Kenneth B.:** Most Mischievous Smile & Happiest Guy in the Classroom Award :oD **Kenneth G.:** Fastest to get Ready for Recess Award! **Kinzee:** Random Hugs Award! (No, we do not shove hugs initiated by first graders away.)

**Layla:** Sugar & Spice Award **Loki:** Quietest Award/Most Improved Award **Reis:** Coolest Chickadee Award.

**Stephanie:** Messiest Desk Award/Most Matured Award

I would also like to thank the families for their flexibility and support. It has been a pleasure having your students this year. In spite of everything, this has been a really good year. I believe the saying "Necessity is the Mother of Invention" applies here. We have tried some unconventional things this year that ultimately have had some unexpected benefits. The shorter schedule has been amazing for the elementary students. They come in every day happier, more radiant, and more open to tackling their learning. Between our staff's determination toward positivity this year, and our students' fresh focus, we had very minimal behavior issues this year. Which also says a lot about the families we are blessed to work with. This year has been very successful regardless of how untraditional it may have looked. The first graders have come a LONG WAY, considering we started behind due to the Spring of 2020, and are working with smiling perseverance! Our second graders, already an overall advanced class, are still loving a challenge! I cannot get creative enough with this bunch. My job is too much fun! :O)

Thank you so much Bobcat Community. Sincerely, Mrs. Sara Zebolsky

## Mr. Hunt Second Grade

First grade has been learning about making and reading graphs in math. They have been exploring different types of graphs and charts. In science they have been wrapping up the unit about plants and even started to grow some of their own individual plants! They will be able to take the

plants home by the end of the year and possibly plant them in their own yard or garden.

Second grade has also been learning about graphs. They have been making their own individual graphs about a topic of their choice and then making a line plot graph about it.

## Miss Inman Third Grade

In science they have been working on a final project for the animal unit. They are making their own habitats and putting their favorite animals from that habitat in their exhibit.

The third graders are finishing the year strong with new books! One literature group is reading We'll Never Forget You, Roberto Clemente, by Trudie Engel. Another literature group is reading, Diary of a Wimpy Kid Rodrick Rules, by Jeff Kinney. The last literature group is reading The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary. As they read, they make predictions, write summaries, make connections in the text, and even draw pictures of their favorite scenes. In social studies, we continue to learn about Michigan. We will be learning how it was settled, who immigrated here, about the Native Americans that lived here first, and even about famous historical figures who lived in Michigan. At the end of the year we will be making some brochures using each student's favorite things about Michigan to convince others to come visit.

In math we've begun learning to read different kinds of graphs. So far, we've learned about frequency tables, tallie charts, pictographs, and bar graphs. There will be many more to come. We also continue to practice our multiplication and division. Students continue to earn certificates by completing either multiplication or division in our online Xtramath program.

# Classroom News

## Mr. Johnson Fourth Grade

Our 2020-2021 school year is coming to an end and the kids are so excited that summer is just around the corner. Our 4th graders will be moving on to bigger, greater things. It is remarkable to watch our students reading or engaged in challenging math problems. It is the little things that I personally miss the most. I enjoyed hearing the sounds of laughter from the pranks we pulled in the classroom and watching them play kickball on the playground during recess. Let's finish strong and have a great summer!

## Mr. Sutton M.S. History

**5th Grade:** The 5th grade class is currently studying the structure of the United States government. They will be learning about the branches of government, Checks and Balances, and Core Democratic Values to finish out the year.

**6th Grade:** 6th grade is currently studying the culture and geography of Europe. To finish out the year, students will be learning about different landforms, bodies of water, and climate of Europe.

**7th Grade:** 7th Grade students will finish out the year with some brief overview of ancient world history. They are going to study some of the major world religions and their origins. Students will also be looking at some of the ancient world structures that still exist around the world today and how they came to be.

**8th Grade:** 8th Grade students finish out the year learning about Reconstruction following the Civil War. Students will study the political fight

between differing viewpoints about how the South should be readmitted into the Union.

## Mrs. Summey M.S. Science

The end is near! For the school year that is! We still need to be cautious with COVID. We'd like to stay open for the kids until June 3rd! Until then we have a lot to accomplish yet. If your students are at home, please check to make sure they are keeping up with their work. Just because it says no work due in Classroom does not mean that they're work is all done. Have them show you the assignments. Also they will be turning in Chromebooks at the end of year and must include their chargers. If they don't turn a charger in it will cost \$25 next year to get a new one. Have a great summer and keep on learning!!

## Mrs. Rifenburg M.S. Math

5th Grade students have been doing a remarkable job earning Blue Ribbons in Study Island. Many of them have moved onto the next grade level even though it is still below their grade, they are working hard to master each one of them. The need will continue to remain in learning their basic math facts. They have been a great group to work with this year with few disruptions or distractions.

\*Parents: each one of them spent a great deal of time on their MSTEP tests and I believe did their best.

6th Grade students have worked with central tendencies and areas of polygons. They have been introduced to some different ways to express data such as box and whisker plots and stem and leaf plots. They will also be taking the MSTEP and when

that is finished, they will be working more with area and geometry.

7th Grade students have completed their unit on probability and moved onto 2 and 3 D geometry. They will be working to design a container to hold a specified number of items to learn about surface area. They also took the MSTEP past weeks. They all worked very hard on it.

8th Grade students completed their unit learning three ways to solve a system of equations. We will next move onto Geometry and finish up any other concepts that we need before they become the new Burr Oak Freshman Class.

\*\*\*A request for next year: Students love to do their work on whiteboards. When you do your school shopping for next year, I ask that you pick up 2 or 3 packages of whiteboard markers for their personal use. I have the white boards, but keeping up with the markers is a never ending process and not because they misuse them: they like doing their work with them!

## Robotics

The week of April 25, both teams will compete in their second competition. We are extremely excited about this event as we have made additions and corrections to our robots. Both now have an autonomous mode and the ability to shoot the rings into the goals during that time. They both can park on a designated line for points in that mode. The week of competition is very busy with students being involved in baseball and softball as well as other commitments. Again, we want to thank all those involved in this process and are excited to continue to learn how to build and code other components. or get an arm fixed to move one of the game pieces, We are very proud of this robot and give a huge thank you to Mr. Eric Alghrim, Mr. Sutton, and Mrs. Summey.

## Ms. Randol M.S. ELA

Writing is the name of the game for the rest of the school year in ELA. We will be working on different approaches to writing essays in all grade levels and how to be effective whether presenting information or trying to sway a decision our way. Students will work on researching for good supporting details and writing complete answers to essay prompts. We will also study conflicts in literature, how characters react, and poetry. All grade levels are working hard to finish up this year's lessons and we are all looking forward to some better weather! The end is near, let's finish strong! I'm looking forward to seeing how well the students improve their skills before the summer break!



# Classroom News

## Mr. Herrmann H.S. Math

Spring is finally here!! Wow, I can't believe that the school year is almost over. Where has the time gone? It has gone by so quickly and this is the last Oak Openings for this school year. The students are getting excited about the end of the year and the beginning of summer break already. It will come soon enough. Each class will be wrapping up soon to begin to prepare for final exams and projects, and I will be re-teaching any missed expectations. Again, I am pleased with how smoothly each class has gone this year. It has been a great year, I have had a lot of fun, and I look forward to seeing everyone next fall. Seniors, good luck in all that you choose to do. Have a great and joyous summer.

As always, my students know that my door is always open for questions and help and I hope that they continue to take advantage of this. Please feel free to stop by if you want to say hi or speak with me about any concerns you may have regarding a student's progress, and thank you to all the parents who have contacted me with questions and concerns.

## Ms. Wolfe Art

High school art has been busy renovating the board room. Students painted dark blue highlight walls one week. And the bobcat logo and our "I Am Burr Oak" logo the next. Renovating the board room is a combined effort with Mrs. Hernandez and Ms. Wolfe with her art students. Thank you for the vision and getting the ball rolling Mrs. Hernandez!

## Mrs. Leaverton Language Arts/Drama

This school year has been like no other. It has definitely come with many bumps, but I am proud of my students and their families for sticking it out and doing the best they could. I look forward to special end-of-the-year projects and outdoor education experiences with my classes as we wrap up this year. The Juniors will get to experience Virtual Reality field trips, thanks to Brooklyn Hernandez and her Kids to Parks Day Grant. In lieu of an in-person trip this year, we were able to purchase 10 VR headsets. The HS teacher team and I have been developing other exciting adventures to round out the end of the year with the HS students and I look forward to taking time to celebrate with you all. As the 2020-2021 school year comes to a close, take time to reflect on what you've learned, how you've grown, and set your sights on an amazing 2021-2022 school year.

## Mrs. Sutton H.S. Science

Physical Science B - Students are currently learning how to balance chemical equations. Next, students will learn about the different types of reactions. We will be performing two labs to show the different types of chemical reactions. Virtual students can email Mrs. Sutton if they would like to set up a different time to do the lab. We will finish the year with some basic physics information.

Physical Science A - Students are learning about valence electrons. They are also learning about the different element isotopes and how they react together to form compounds. Life Science - Students are currently learning about mitosis and meiosis. We will continue with the genetics unit.

Students will learn how to use and read punnett squares. They will also be able to transcribe DNA. Virtual students can email Mrs. Sutton if they would like to set up a different time to do the lab.

Intro to Esports - Students have been learning how to take care of themselves while they game. Earth/Space Science - We have moved into our space unit. We are currently learning about planets.

Solid Professor - This engineering software class is learning a lot about Onshape. Our students will continue to learn about this software. The goal of this course is for students to earn their certification to help them in their future careers.

High School Esports Club - If your student signed up for the Esports Club (not the intro to esports course), they need to check their tournament dates. Many of the high school game tournaments will start soon.

High school students who qualify can earn \$1000 scholarships!

Students, please keep up with your work. Parents, please check with your students.

Email me with any questions or concerns. Let's work together and continue to make this a great school year!

Have a safe and wonderful summer!

Thanks,  
Mrs. Sutton  
jsutton@burroacks.org

## Mr. Ultz Drama/Living Skills

### High School Living Skills

We are finishing up the year by preparing food that we have in the freezers and cupboards. Due to the temporary fall state mandated shut down of the high school, there are supplies left over that need to be used up. Outstanding students this marking period: Damion Johnson, Scarlet Rogers, Maysin Johnson and Clayton Carr.

### Middle School Living Skills

The attitude of all the middle school students towards Living skills is such a great blessing to me. They come into class eager for whatever the project is for the day. The progress that each student has made this year is amazing. Due to seeing all middle school students each week, it is easy to see and hear how many of the students are doing some cooking at home. Thanks to all of the parents for allowing me the opportunity to guide your student in kitchen work:)



## Enjoy

## Summer

## Break!



**Baccalaureate**  
**Sunday, May 23**  
**2:00pm**



**Graduation**  
**Sunday, May 23**  
**3:00pm**

## **8th Grade Graduation**



**June 2nd at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Gym**

## **Kindergarten Graduation**

**June 1st at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Gym**



**NEWS FROM THE  
ATHLETIC OFFICE**  
Wendell Hughes Athletic Director

Whew! The marathon that has been the 2020-2021 school year is almost over as we have less than 30 days of school left! This has definitely been one of the most trying years in recent memory with lots of changes and new challenges in our everyday lives. I'm very proud of how our Burr Oak family has handled the challenges this year, playing through the adversity to bring home conference championships in football and boys' basketball. The Lady Bobcats were able to stay competitive in the strongest small school league in the state despite being one of the youngest teams (starting two 8th graders for volleyball, basketball, softball!) The future is very bright as we have strong underclassmen ready to step up next year and beyond in all sports.

For the first time since the 1998 softball season, Burr Oak High School has a State Champion again! Congratulations to junior Ethan Lindsey on his Division IV Individual Bowling Championship title!

As we move into May and the end of the school year we will be wrapping up the baseball, softball, and golf seasons. The baseball team started the season with a home doubleheader against Waldron. The Bobcats split with the Spartans, losing the first game 1-4 before breaking open the box score for a 13-4 victory in the nightcap. The Lady Bobcats softball team also opened the season against the Spartans, taking victories in both games 11-1 and 11-1. The Bobcats golf squad will open their season on 4/26 at Cedar Creek Golf Club in Battle Creek.

Baseball and softball will compete in District play at Mendon High School this year the week of May 31st, exact dates and times will be announced later this year when pairings have been completed. Our golf team will compete in regionals at Pine View Golf Course in Marcellus on June 1st.

If you haven't done so already, make sure to find Burr Oak Athletics on Facebook and "like" the page to follow and receive updates on your favorite Burr Oak sports teams. This will also be the go to place to find information on summer workouts and conditioning sessions.

As this is the last Oak Openings article of the year, I'd like to take a second to recognize our Seniors and thank them for their hard work and dedication for the past 4 years as Burr Oak Bobcat athletes:

Armondo Beverly - 1 year varsity football, 4 years varsity basketball, 2 years varsity baseball  
Zach Finlay - 2 years varsity football, 2 years varsity basketball  
Matthew Greene - 4 years varsity football, 3 years varsity basketball, 4 years varsity baseball  
Gavin Johnson - 4 years varsity bowling, 2 years varsity golf  
Isaiah Palmer - 3 years varsity football, 1 year varsity basketball  
Hanna Poley - 3 years varsity volleyball, 3 years varsity softball  
Paige Poley - 1 year varsity volleyball, 3 years varsity softball  
Nyah Reaper - 4 years varsity volleyball, 2 years varsity cheer  
Damion Ultz - 4 years varsity football, 3 years varsity basketball, 4 years varsity baseball

Thank you Seniors!



*Mrs. Hernandez Highlights*



We wrapped up a successful month of reading in March. I was able to call the homes of our students in grades K-8 to catch them reading at home. Each student was able to enjoy their chair ride zooming through the hall to claim a prize. We want that excitement for reading to continue throughout the summer.



Once again, I will try to reach each elementary student's home this summer. I will bring them reading books to keep at home to use all summer long 😊



Have a wonderful summer bobcat reader!

# Hey Kids

(Ages 0-18)

Don't miss this "FREE" event

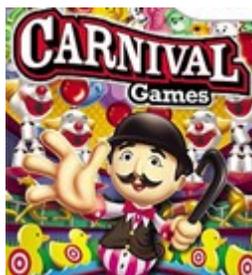


Friday - July 30<sup>th</sup>

1:30-3:30

Burr Oak School Parking Lot

Games- Food-Prizes-Animals-Free Pony Rides - FUN!



For questions or further information feel free to contact

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Everything is free!!!!!!!



# May/June 2021



## BURR OAK COMMUNITY SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT K - 12 BREAKFAST MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 Cinnamon Teddy Grahams Strawberry Yogurt Chex Apple Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	4 Mixed Berry Cereal Bar <b>Super Donut</b> Orange Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	5 Cheddar Cheese Stick <b>Fudge Pop Tart</b> Grape Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	6 Banana Bread Loaf Blueberry Nutrigrain Bar Apple Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	7 Cinnamon Bun 550840 Orange Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk
10 Scooby Snacks Apple Nutrigrain Bar Orange Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	11 Strawberry Delight Bar Apple Cinnamon Muffin Grape Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	12 Banana Choc Chunk Bar Apple Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	13 Mini powdered donuts 738201 Orange Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	14 Grape Filled Crescent 321752 Grape Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk
17 Chocolate Graham Gripz Trix Cereal Bar Grape juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	18 Raspberry Rainbow Yogurt <b>Chocolate Chip Muffin</b> Apple Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	19 Mozzarella Cheese Stick <b>Cheeze-Its</b> Orange Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	20 Rich's Breakfast Round Grape Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	21 French Toast Breakfast Bar Apple Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk
24 Cinnamon Teddy Grahams Strawberry Yogurt Chex Apple Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	25 Mixed Berry Cereal Bar <b>Super Donut</b> Orange Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	26 Cheddar Cheese Stick <b>Fudge Pop Tart</b> Grape Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	27 Banana Bread Loaf Blueberry Nutrigrain Bar Apple Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	28 Cinnamon Bun 550840 Orange Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk
31 NO SCHOOL Memorial Day	1 Strawberry Delight Bar Apple Cinnamon Muffin Grape Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	2 Banana Choc Chunk Bar Apple Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	3 Mini powdered donuts 738201 Orange Juice f/f White or Chocolate Milk	 <b>Summer Meal Program</b> begins Monday June 7th

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**FREE BREAKFAST TO ALL STUDENTS K - 12**

*Please join us every day or just to try something.*

**NEW!**





# May/June 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Softball Tournament @ Burr Oak 8:30am  Prom at the Party Place 8:00pm
2	3 Varsity Golf @ Binder Park Golf Club 4:00pm	4 Baseball/Softball @ Colon 4:00pm	5	6	7	8 Softball Tournament@ Climax-Scotts 11:00am  Baseball @ Climax Scotts 11:00am
9 	10. Varsity Golf @ Island Hills Golf Club 4:00pm  School Board Meeting 7:00pm	11 Baseball/Softball @ Bellevue 4:00pm	12 Spring Sports Pic- tures 3:30pm	13	14 Baseball/Softball @ Tekonsha 4:00pm	15
16	17 Baseball/Softball @ Mendon 4:00pm  Varsity Golf @ Hillsdale Golf and Country Club 4:00pm	18 Baseball/Softball vs Pittsford 4:00pm	19	20 Baseball/Softball @ Colon 4:00pm	21 Seniors Last Day  Community Clean Up Day K-4— 9:00-11:30 5-11—9:00-2:00  Softball @ Climax Scotts 4:00pm	22
23 Baccalaureate 2:00 p.m. Commencement 3:00p.m.  	24 Varsity Golf @ Ella Sharp Golf Club 9:00 am  Baseball/Softball vs White Pigeon 5:00pm	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 <b>No School</b> Memorial Day  	1 Kindergarten Graduation 6:30pm  	2 8th Grade Graduation 6:30pm  	3 Last Day For Students  	4	6



**Burr Oak Community Schools**  
**Lunch Menu**

**May/June 2021**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 Strawberry PBJ & Yogurt Baby Carrots Applesauce Cup Cheetos Puffs	4 Ham & Cheese Sandwich Broccoli Trees Banana Dill Pickle Spear Mayo/Mustard	5 Turkey Ham & Cheese Sandwich Scooby Snack Crackers Celery Sticks Lunch Bunch Grapes Mayo/Mustard	6 Grape PBJ & Cheesestick Cauliflower Buds Cherry/Blue Raspberry Sorbet Ranch	7 Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Potato Salad Golden Delicious Apple Nacho Doritos Mayo/Mustard
10 Strawberry PBJ & Yogurt Baby Carrots Applesauce Cup Cheetos Puffs	11 Bologna & Cheese Sandwich Broccoli Trees Fresh Pear Dill Pickle Spear 199440 Mayo/Mustard	12 Roast Beef Sandwich Cheddar Sun Chips Celery Sticks Lunch Bunch Grapes Mayo/Mustard	13 Grape PBJ & Cheesestick Cauliflower Buds Cherry/Blue Raspberry Sorbet Ranch	14 Turkey & Cheese Wrap Potato Salad Red Delicious Apple Cool Ranch Doritos Mayo/Mustard
17 Strawberry PBJ & Yogurt Baby Carrots Applesauce Cup Cheetos Puffs	18 Ham & Cheese Sandwich Broccoli Trees Banana Dill Pickle Spear Mayo/Mustard	19 Turkey Ham & Cheese Sandwich Scooby Snack Crackers Celery Sticks Lunch Bunch Grapes Mayo/Mustard	20 Grape PBJ & Cheesestick Cauliflower Buds Cherry/Blue Raspberry Sorbet Ranch	21 Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Potato Salad Golden Delicious Apple Nacho Doritos Mayo/Mustard
24 Strawberry PBJ & Yogurt Baby Carrots Peach Cup Cheetos Puffs	25 Bologna & Cheese Sandwich Broccoli Trees Fresh Pear Dill Pickle Spear Mayo/Mustard	26 Roast Beef Sandwich Confetti Cake Cookie Celery Sticks Lunch Bunch Grapes Mayo/Mustard/Ranch	27 Grape PBJ & Cheesestick Celery Sticks Cherry/Blue Raspberry Sorbet Ranch	28 Turkey & Cheese Wrap Potato Salad Red Delicious Apple Cool Ranch Doritos Mayo/Mustard
31 NO SCHOOL Memorial Day	1 Ham & Cheese Sandwich Broccoli Trees Banana Dill Pickle Spear Mayo/Mustard	2 Turkey Ham & Cheese Sandwich Scooby Snack Crackers Celery Sticks Lunch Bunch Grapes Mayo/Mustard	3 Grape PBJ & Cheesestick Cauliflower Buds Cherry/Blue Raspberry Sorbet Ranch	 Summer Meal Program begins JUNE 7th 

2 Choices from the Garden Bar Offered Daily!

\* Non Fat/Low Fat White Milk and Low Fat Chocolate Milk Offered Daily w/ Meal

\*Menu subject to change without notice!

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# FREE Breakfast & Lunch

Did you know...

**ALL students... K-12... now receive**

**FREE LUNCH!**



Call Patti @ 659-1546 with any questions  
about accounts

**for the entire 2020-2021 School Year**

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday  
Saturday  
Sunday



**\* 2022 Senior Class  
fundraiser  
(During Heritage Days)**

**\* Chicken Dinner**

**\* Friday July 30th**

**\* 4 p.m. Gazebo  
Parking lot**

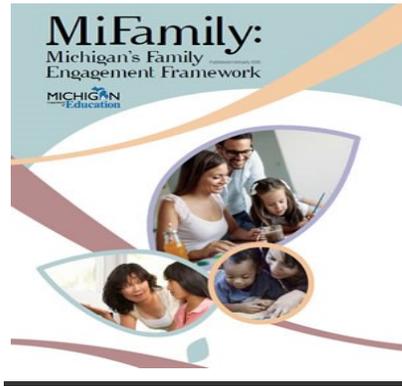
**\* Get tickets from  
any 2022 senior**

- Landen Brumbaugh,
- Clayton Carr,
- Ivy Conklin,
- Kyla Davis,
- Kadin Grunert,
- Dominick Hagen,
- Branson Hernandez,
- Brooklyn Hernandez,
- Madysin Johnson,
- Ethan Lindsey,
- Kaylee Newman,
- Colin Persinger,
- Wyatt Smith,
- Audrey Starr,
- Carson Stayner,
- Tayana Williams,
- Sage Zickafoose

or contact the Class Advisor  
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## Family Engagement

# MiFamily: Michigan's Family Engagement Framework Now Available

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) announces the release of [MiFamily: Michigan's Family Engagement Framework](#). This guide provides programs and schools research and best practices to further improve and develop family engagement.

This document was developed by an MDE stakeholder's committee, inclusive of MDE staff, program, school, and community leaders and in partnership with the Council of Chief State School Officers and the National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement. The MiFamily document is offered as the first in a series of support documents to help parents and guardians as they engage and support their child's learning.

MiFamily: Michigan's Family Engagement Framework Video.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7cyZmw\\_5Q6\\_5bkfXDilquA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7cyZmw_5Q6_5bkfXDilquA)

Michigan Department of Education's Family Engagement Definition:

The Definition: Family engagement is a collaborative relationship between families, educators, providers, and partners to support and improve the learning, development, and health of every learner.



## Prom 2021

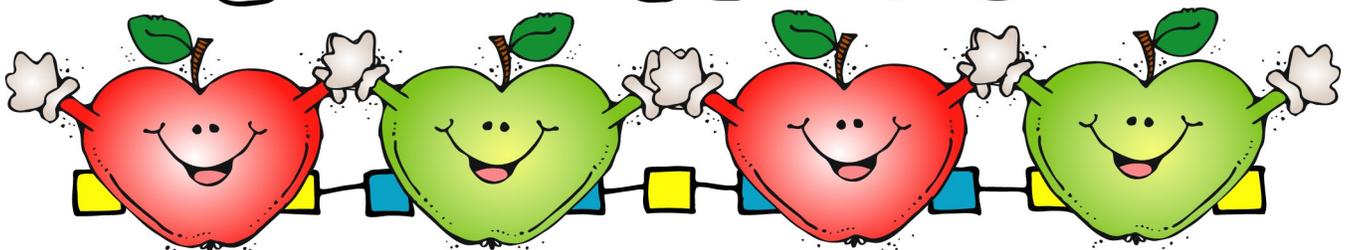
A big thank you to the Junior class for hosting a terrific prom "under the sea." 50 plus teenagers danced and played games throughout the evening. Thanks to everyone who participated in this fun event.

A shout out of thanks to the Party Place for allowing the Prom to be hosted in their facility. A huge thanks to Erin Davis for her time and assistance for prom setup and overseeing the event. Thanks to the servers Braylyn Hernandez and Cristal Hernandez. Mr. & Mrs. Ahlgrim, thank you for the music. Baxter family, we appreciated your time with pictures. It was an overall great event.

**Thank you to all of our staff at Burr Oak Community Schools for making it a successful year!**



**THANKS!**



## Michigan's Family Engagement Principles

RELATIONSHIPS ARE THE CORNERSTONE OF FAMILY ENGAGEMENT.

- Offer getting-to-know-you meetings in smaller, informal settings.
- Make relationship-building home visits.
- Co-design with families a pre-school-elementary school transition program.
- Create welcoming spaces in the program and schools.
- Learn the names of all families.
- Develop parent advisory committees.

FAMILIES ARE ENGAGED AND SUPPORTED PARTNERS IN THEIR CHILD'S EDUCATION.

- Peer-to-peer family groups.
- Volunteer opportunities.
- Linking families to community resources.
- Provide leadership opportunities for families.
- Parent-Teacher Home Visiting Program.
- Student-led conferences.
- Curriculum showcases.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS ARE PURPOSEFUL, INTENTIONAL, AND CLEARLY IDENTIFY LEARNER OUTCOMES.

- Share how families can engage children in interactive play, reading, and hands-on math activities that promote problem-solving.
- Invite families to visit the after-school program, meet staff, and join the activities.
- Host "classroom visits" for families to see firsthand what their kids are doing in class and how the classroom is set up for linking learning to current events.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS ARE TAILORED TO ADDRESS ALL FAMILIES SO ALL LEARNERS ARE SUCCESSFUL.

- Talk about the skills that will help children upon their transition to kindergarten and discuss children's progress with families regularly.
- Explain your school or program's high achievement goals and ask families about their ideas to help their kids reach them.
- Seek barriers and remove them.

POSITIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS CONTRIBUTE TO FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND LEARNING.

- Provide opportunities for parent and student input on Title I school-parent compacts to make them more personalized.
- Respond to what students say about social and emotional issues.
- In middle and high school, set up an advisory system, so that all students have someone who knows them well and who can be their advocate in the school and the primary contact for their families.

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## Resources

[Family Engagement for Literacy page](#)

Family Engagement One-pagers

[Academic Parent Teacher Teams \(APTT\)](#)  
[Equity and Family Engagement](#)