## Welcome to the 19-20 School Year! Brian Field, Superintendent

Dear Students, Parents and Community Members:

Welcome to the 2019-20 school year! We hope that all of you had a great summer and are excited for the new school year. On Monday, August 19, the Elementary School Open House will be held from 5:30-7:00 p.m. and the Middle School/High School Open House from 6:30-8:00 p.m. The first day of school is Wednesday, August 21 starting at 8:15 a.m. at the middle school/high school with a 3:17 p.m. dismissal and at 8:25 a.m. at the elementary school with a 3:25 p.m. dismissal. Bus service will be provided.

Our District has been focusing on final preparations for the upcoming school year and hope that you too are making plans for its success. The summer custodial and maintenance staff has been busy maintaining and preparing our school buildings and facilities so they are ready to receive our students. We look forward to welcoming students, parents and staff back to school.

We are excited about what this year has to offer for our students and their families and look forward to providing quality educational experiences and opportunities for all of our students. We take our mission statement, "Together, We Aspire, Act, and Achieve" and our vision statement, "Creating Servant Leaders through Quality Academic and Activity Programs" very seriously as we strive toward our District goals in the four pillars of Academics/Achievement, Fine Arts, Athletics, and Servant Leadership/Distinguished Service.

We will continue to provide a positive school climate that focuses on building relationships with our students and fostering effective teaching and learning practices. Our District remains committed to providing the most current technology available to enhance 21<sup>st</sup> century learning opportunities for our students and allowing our staff the ability to customize and personalize instruction for our students to achieve.

As a District, it is our desire to communicate important and pertinent information that is timely and relevant to what is taking place in our schools. This will be our second year with our mobile platform for the District. The platform allows us to manage all of our communications from a single place to focus on the user experience. Our District will be able to share a message once and it will automatically update to our website, iPhone app, Android app, Facebook, and Twitter. It is our hope that our students, parents, and community members will continue to come to the app for meaningful information. We will continue to use our parent communication system, "School Messenger with Voice" as well to communicate information.

Please feel free to contact your child's school directly for additional details or call the district office at 763-4293 anytime we can be of service. I am confident that by working together in the best interests of our students, we can have a productive 19-20 school year! Have a great school year!

Sincerely,

Brian Field, Superintendent Beresford School District

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### **Beresford School District Welcomes New Staff Members**

Our District will welcome thirteen new staff members for the 19-20 school year, including some familiar faces:

Mrs. Marysa VanVoorst—Junior Kindergarten Teacher,

Miss Ann Anderson—First Grade Teacher,

Miss Gina Soukup—First Grade Teacher,

Miss Courtney Cowan—Second Grade Teacher,

Ms. Rosalyn Rasmussen—Fourth Grade Teacher,

Mr. Jacob Meyer—Fifth Grade Teacher,

Mrs. Angie Anderson—Elementary SPED Aide,

Mrs. Alicia Cahoon—Elementary SPED Aide,

Ms. Rebecca Cook—Elementary SPED Aide,

Mrs. Becky Peterson—MS/HS SPED Aide,

Mr. Daniel Greaves—South Campus Evening/Activities Custodian,

Mr. Dillon Steever—Transportation Director/Bus Driver, and

Mr. Jim Nelson—Bus Driver.

We also have three staff members that have accepted new positions in the District and we look forward to them serving our students and staff:

Mrs. Renee James—Educational Technology Coordinator,

Mr. Troy James—PK-5 Elementary School Principal, and

Mrs. Stephanie Voss—MS/HS Technology Teacher.

Our District will welcome eleven co-teacher candidates from the University of South Dakota as they complete their Bachelor degrees in education:

Mr. Lucas Bonham, MS/HS Social Studies,

Miss Brooke Campbell, Elementary,

Miss Taylor Campbell, Elementary,

Miss Katy Honeywell, Elementary,

Mr. Ryan Jorgensen, Elementary,

Mrs. Kelly Josko, HS English/Speech,

Miss Cecelia Kelly, HS Spanish/SPED,

Miss Lindsey Meyer, Elementary,

Miss Jessica Muehlbeier, MS/HS Math,

Mr. Jacob Safranek, HS English, and

Mr. Michael Swanson, Instrumental Music.

#### 2019-20 School Calendar

Following is a month-to-month summary of the Board adopted 2019-20 school calendar:

August: School with students will start on Wednesday, August 21. The pre-school in-service day for staff will be held on Monday, August 19 and the teacher work day will be held on Tuesday, August 20. There will be no school for students on Friday, August 30 as there will be an all-day staff in-service.

September: There will be no school on Monday, September 2 (Labor Day).

October: There will be a 1:00 dismissal in-service on Wednesday, October 2. There will be no school on Monday, October 14 (Native American Day). The first quarter will end on Friday, October 18 with 40 student contact days. Parent-Teacher Conferences (PTC) will be held on Monday, October 21 from 4:30-8:30 p.m. and Wednesday, October 23 from 4-6 p.m. There will be no school on Friday, October 25 (PTC Comp Day).

November: There will be a 1:00 dismissal in-service on Wednesday, November 6. We will have a 1:00 dismissal with no in-service on Wednesday, November 27. Thanksgiving vacation will be on Thursday and Friday, November 28-29.

December: The last day for students prior to Christmas break will be Friday, December 20. Second quarter/semester one will end on December 20. Second quarter will have 42 student contact days. Semester one will have 82 student contact days. There will be no school on Monday, December 23 thru Friday, December 27, and no school on Monday, December 30 and Tuesday, December 31.

January: There will be no school on Wednesday, January 1 and Thursday, January 2. There will be no school for students on Friday, January 3 as there will be an all-day staff in-service. School will resume with the third quarter/semester two on Monday, January 6. There will be a 1:00 dismissal in-service on Wednesday, January 15. There will be no school on Monday, January 20 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day).

February: There will be a 1:00 dismissal in-service on Wednesday, February 12. There will be no school on Monday, February 17 (President's Day). There will be PTC on Monday, February 24 from 4:30-8:30 p.m. and Wednesday, February 26 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. There will be no school on Friday, February 28 (PTC Comp Day).

March: Third quarter will end on Friday, March 13 with 44 student contact days. There will be no school and Spring Break on Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20. There will be a 1:00 dismissal in-service on Wednesday, March 25.

April: There will be a 1:00 dismissal in-service on Wednesday, April 8. There will be no school on Good Friday, April 10 and Easter Monday, April 13.

May: Fourth quarter/semester two will end on Tuesday, March 19. Fourth quarter will have 46 student contact days. Second semester will have 90 student contact days. Graduation will be on Saturday, May 16 at 2:00 p.m. Teacher work day will be held on Wednesday, May 20. If needed, snow days will be made up on Wednesday, May 20 through Friday, May 22.

Please click on the following link for a copy of the Board adopted 2019-20 school calendar: <a href="https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded\_file/302314/Adopted\_Calendar\_19-20.pdf">https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded\_file/302314/Adopted\_Calendar\_19-20.pdf</a>

### Beresford School District #61-2

# Adopted Calendar 2019-2020

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