

# BRES WILDCAT NEWS

Kindness

Responsibility

Self-Control

As voted on by our Board this week, students' last day will be on Friday June 5th. Our staff will continue to provide students with learning opportunities until that date. We are noticing that as the days warm up, we are having less and less contact with students. We are working hard to mix things up and plan for engaging opportunities and connection. While I was complaining about my own children's lack of engagement with distance learning, a colleague reminded me that the art of compromise is needed during this time. I am constantly compromising and shifting what we are doing on a daily basis. Sometimes we rock school work, sometimes we don't. What I know is that every school is going to be faced with backing up the curriculum next year. We are already starting those discussions and making plans. We will be ready to meet all of your children right where they are. Be gentle with yourselves and your children. Push them where they can be pushed, and compromise and back off when it's too much. Remember to communicate with the teachers about your needs.

We are working as a staff to make plans on how to bring closure to this year. We have many ideas around how to have classes "wrap up" this year, how to do "step up day", and how to celebrate our eighth graders and our retirees. We are also working on a master schedule and creating class lists for next year.

Next week is Teacher Appreciation Week and I want to take a moment to thank our AMAZING staff at BRES! I have seen staff supporting each other, supporting families, rising to the challenges and demands that distance learning has brought, and all the while, having great attitudes about the work we are collectively doing. Please make sure to take a moment next week to share your appreciation. You have no idea how a simple note of appreciation can make all of the difference to an educator!

I hope that you are all well. If you need anything, please reach out to us! We are here to support in any way we can.

My best,  
Shawna

# BRES PTO News

## Teacher Appreciation Week



Hello Families!

I know these are different and difficult times, but our teachers and staff members are working harder than ever! I would love to show them our appreciation by making a video for them made up of student pictures. They could hold a sign up saying thank you, how much they miss them, or anything! I would love to get every student in this video, if you would not like to have their picture in it you could just do a sign! Teacher appreciation week is May 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> so if you could please get me your pictures by May 1<sup>st</sup> I would love to get this done for them! Thank you in advanced! My email address is [jlswhite@gmail.com](mailto:jlswhite@gmail.com) Please let me know if you have any questions as well!

Thank you!  
Jamie White



**How deep is the mud?  
Depends on who you ask.**

**We all go through the same stuff differently.**

**WELCOME TO MUD TO SEASON**

If you have ever been stuck in the mud, then you know it can be hard to get out sometimes. You might need a push or a pull, but with a little help you can always get out.

When the mud gets too deep, please let our school counselors help figure a way out. Contact Sarah Gordon at [sgordon@aos98schools.org](mailto:sgordon@aos98schools.org) or Kim Dionne at [kdionne@aos98schools.org](mailto:kdionne@aos98schools.org) or reach us by phone at (207) 633-5097.

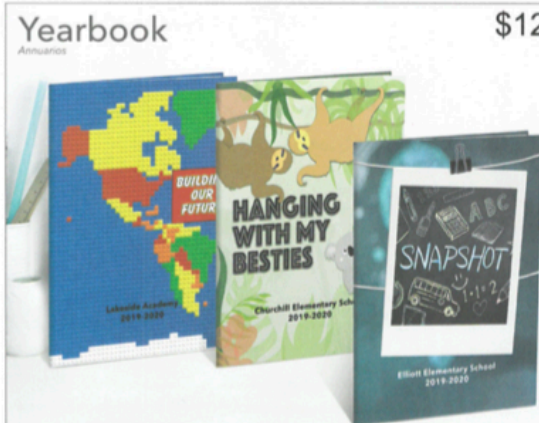
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