



Bernd Elementary, Where Rigor Is Routine!



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December 2023 Edition

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SANTA'S COZY CURRICULUM NIGHT

You are invited to attend our **"Santa's Cozy Curriculum Night"** event **Monday, December 11, 2023, beginning at 5:00.**

Join us to experience Reading and Math in a festive way. Team up with your child(ren) to complete different activities that have been designed to stretch your mind while you use reading and math strategies in a fun, interesting way.

Experience the festive atmosphere; make it a night on the town by coming in your fashionably festive attire; take it a step further by participating in our fashion show. Musical selections by our students under the leadership of Ms. Carter will round out the evening.

I wonder if there will be a visit from Old Saint Nick himself. Photo opportunity for \$2.

BERND'S PBIS AWARENESS WEEK

Parents, please be reminded we recognize students for making positive choices, including attendance and positive behavioral decisions.

PBIS Awareness Week is scheduled for December 11-15. This week is intended to encourage and celebrate positive behaviors while educating stakeholders about PBIS. As part of this week of awareness, we have a dress-up theme slated for each day.

Please be on the look-out for the flyer that will identify each day's theme. We look forward to celebrating together.

STRIVE FOR 5 & DON'T BE LATE: YOU'LL MISS SOMETHING GREAT!

Why do we focus so heavily on attendance and tardiness? It's because we care about the success of our student(s), your child(ren).

Research concludes that as the number of absences and tardies increase, the likelihood of a student being successful in school, and ultimately graduating, decreases.

Our current student average daily attendance (SADA) percentage is 91.1%. This is a slight decrease from last year (92.1%); we strive to keep our SADA at/above 97%.

Ultimately, are you helping or hindering your child from being successful? We need your child at school AND on time every day!

BERND & THE LEADER IN ME: VOLUNTEERISM

During the holiday season, many families look for ways to help others in need. Consider just one or two projects a year and make them a family tradition.

Why should your family lend a helping hand? ~ It feels good; - it strengthens your community; - it can strengthen your identity as a family!

What can children learn from volunteering? ~ A sense of responsibility; - one person/family can make a difference; - benefit of sacrifice; - cooperation and unity; - job skills; - how to fill idle time wisely.

Ultimately, children learn that we're all responsible for the well-being of our communities. Whatever community service you choose, your community and your family will benefit.

Please be reminded the TARDY BELL rings @ 8:20 a.m. Students arriving at 8:20 a.m. are tardy and begin their day behind. Students leaving at any point during the day are also considered tardy.

School ends at 3:20 p.m. Students should be picked up no later than 3:50 p.m.

#eastsideoutloud

#wearebernd

#raiderpride

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 01: (1:30-2:00) School Council Meeting via TEAMS

December 01: (2:15-3:15) Raider Readiness

December 04: (2:15-3:15) Hour of Code

December 08: (2:15-3:05) Synergy Squads

December 11-15: PBIS Awareness Week

December 11: (5:00 p.m.) Santa's Cozy Curriculum Night

December 15: (2:15-3:05) PBIS Event Bingo

December 15: (5:30-7:00) Christmas Program @

Douglass Theatre

December 20-January 02: Christmas Break

January 03: Professional Learning Day