

# The Paw Print



## Dates To Remember

Feb 8-16	5 <sup>th</sup> Gd Vision Screening
Feb 15	PTO Meeting
Feb 18	5 <sup>th</sup> Gd Virtual Choir Concert (7pm)
Mar 10	Face to Face (not virtual)
Mar 11	End of Trimester 2
Mar 12	NO SCHOOL
Mar 15	PTO Meeting
Mar 29-Apr 2	NO SCHOOL (Spring Break)
Apr 5	NO SCHOOL
Apr 7	Face to Face (not virtual)
Apr 19	PTO Meeting
May 17	PTO Meeting
May 31	NO SCHOOL
June 2	Face to Face (not virtual)
June 9	Face to Face (not virtual)
June 11	Last Day – ½ day

Greetings Maltby Parents,

Happy Valentine's Day Weekend! We had a great Friday today here at Maltby!

It does look like they are predicting some very cold temperatures again for next week- please make sure you send your Bullpup with appropriate cold weather clothing- thank you. Parents please note that anytime the temperature and wind-chill combined drop below zero we will be having indoor recess.

### COVID Reminders...

- **Students with pending COVID-19 tests should stay home until test results are available.**
- **It is also recommended that students with in-home family members or close contacts that have tests pending stay home as a precaution until test results are available.**
- **All students sent home with possible COVID-19 symptoms or students that are reported as having a test pending are still required to submit a physician's note or negative test result copy prior to return to school.**

This week at Maltby, we had no new instances of school-related quarantines. If you have any questions regarding COVID-19, please feel free to visit our district's COVID-19 transparency site at <https://www.brightonk12.com/Page/8729>.

\*\* Some students may be under precautionary quarantines that are unrelated.

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Scheduling for Next Year...

Our Scranton Middle School Administrators and Counselors are planning to visit our 6<sup>th</sup> graders in their homerooms on **March 15<sup>th</sup>** to schedule classes for 7<sup>th</sup> grade! This is an exciting process for our 6<sup>th</sup> grade Bullpups as they look forward to transitioning to Middle School! The SMS staff will be creating a scheduling video that we will share with our Bullpups in class the week of **March 1<sup>st</sup>**. Individual student scheduling forms will be due **March 11<sup>th</sup>**- we do require that your 6<sup>th</sup> grade Bullpup discusses their 7<sup>th</sup> grade class choices with you and gets your signature on the sheet.

### Parent Information for Incoming 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents...

We are planning to host a virtual parent information night for incoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents in March. Look for more details in our next newsletter.

### NWEA Assessments...

Our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders will start the next round of NWEA assessments the week of March 8<sup>th</sup>. Students take Reading and Math assessments over 2 weeks in their classrooms. These assessments are computer adapted and provide some outstanding student growth information for parents, students, and teachers. Both assessments take about an hour for students to complete. We are planning on sending home results in early April. If you would like more information on NWEA assessments please access our Parent Guide to NWEA on the Maltby website under Parent Resources.

### School Store...

We are into our 2<sup>nd</sup> week of students being able to visit our school store during lunches! Thank you to our PTO volunteers for making this possible and giving our students one more fun thing to do during school! Starting next week it will be open on Fridays for students to visit and your child's homeroom will have the opportunity to visit every-other week. Items are inexpensive so please do not send them in with big bills if they want to purchase something.

### Parking Lot...

Parents please remember that students are NOT permitted to be dropped off unaccompanied from the interior spots in our parking lot. Please use the designated drop off lane if you are dropping off. The parking lot is too busy at drop off and pick up for students to be unaccompanied.

Kind Regards,  
Mr. Brenner  
Mr. Aten

## BRIGHTON BULLDOGS

We are...



Determination Optimism Generosity Solidarity

"LEARNING FOR LIFE"

**Determination  
Optimism  
Generosity  
Solidarity**

### FROM DR. OUTLAW'S FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

"For the month of February, we will continue our "pawsitive" theme with a focus on kindness. The following are a few ideas for those that wish to participate:

#### February: A Month of Kindness

"Pawsitive words": Kindness, Caring, Compassion

"Pawsitive" action ideas for you and your children:

- Random act of kindness - February 17<sup>th</sup> is Random Acts of Kindness Day. Perhaps try to do one [random act of kindness](#) per week this month.
- [12 hugs a day for a month](#) - According to therapist Virginia Satir, humans need 12 hugs a day for growth. This is best done within the household during the COVID era, but hugs may be more important than ever in this time of isolation.
- Offer patience, a smile, say please and thank you...all of the little things that may help to fill another person's tank."



**The PTO is a parent teacher organization where all Maltby parents are members. We welcome your ideas and participation!**

Thank you to all parents that contributed to fund the staff appreciation lunch! This week, Maltby staff enjoyed boxed lunch from Firehouse Subs and Valentine treats. We appreciate our generous Maltby families and dedicated Maltby staff!

The PTO is planning to stock staff lounge snacks and snack items for the office to provide to students when necessary. If you are interested in contributing, we are requesting donations via Amazon.

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2BADUTKS8N6SW...>

In recognition of our hardworking students, the PTO provided all classroom teachers with Valentine lollipops and positive message decals to distribute to students this week.

The Maltby school store has opened! The store will be open weekly on Fridays with classrooms having the opportunity to visit twice/month during lunch. Please remind your student to listen to announcements for information. Items at the store are priced from \$.50 to \$2.00 and include an assortment of pencils, pens, erasers, and other small items.

Our next PTO meeting is scheduled for Monday 2/15 at 9 AM in the Maltby conference room. Please join us!

**Future meeting dates:** Mar 15, Apr 19, May 17

Jennifer Marks – President; Ginger Timney – V.P.; Angel Hamilton – Treasurer; Katie Tierney – Secretary



**Maltby 2020/2021 - DAILY SCHEDULE:** First bell at 8:26am, Tardy bell 8:40am, End of day 3:27pm

H.R.-8:40-8:44  
1<sup>st</sup> -8:45-9:40  
2<sup>nd</sup> -9:45-10:40  
3<sup>rd</sup> -10:45-11:40

**Lunches**  
A-11:45-12:20 (5<sup>th</sup>)  
B-12:15-12:50 (5<sup>th</sup>)  
C-12:45-1:20 (6<sup>th</sup>)  
D-1:15-1:50 (6<sup>th</sup>)

5<sup>th</sup> -1:35-2:30  
6<sup>th</sup> -2:35-3:27

**BAS Kindness Week Feb 22 - Feb 26! Let's 'brighten up' Brighton!**

Shirts available to order through Ivory Vines (link below).

A portion of sales will support two local mental health organizations - Carl Nagy Foundation and the National Alliance for Mental Illness, Livingston County.

Last day to order shirts in time for Kindness Week is Sunday 2/14/2021!

<https://www.ivoryvines.com/kindness>





WE ARE  
HIRING

We have openings here at  
Maltby in the following areas:

- Building Sub
- Para-Pro

If you are interested, please call us today! 810-299-3600

## Cell Phones at MIS

In accordance with the Brighton Area Schools Cell Phone policy, our students at MIS are permitted to bring their cell phones to school. We recognize the necessity and importance of family communication, but unfortunately ringing cell phones and the temptations of new games, cameras, and the technology that accompanies cell phones can present a distraction

for your student and/or others in their classes.

Therefore at MIS our students:  
Turn off cell phones at the beginning of the day and place them in their backpack. Refrain from texting friends or parents during school hours. Utilize the main office phone to contact parents in the event of an emergency.

We have had great success in keeping Maltby

a distraction-free learning environment by following these procedures. In addition, we ask that parents please refrain from calling or texting their student during the school day. Any messages of an emergency nature can be relayed to students through the front office at 810 299-3600. **Please call before 3:05pm to ensure your child receives the message!**

Thank you!



## The McKinney Vento Act

The Brighton Area Schools is part of a consortium to serve students in temporary living situations that provides financial support for educational needs, referral for housing, clothing and other needs, general support and technical assistance. To ensure compliance with federal law, all school staff must help identify student living in the following situations: emergency shelters/transitional housing, motels/hotels, car, parks or public spaces, shared housing due to a loss of housing or economic hardship, or living temporarily with non-parent or guardian.

The district's homeless liaison is Starr Acromite and each building has trained staff members to assist in the endeavor. Our consortium contact at the Livingston Educational Service Agency is Candice Uyttendaele.

Please contact your building principal or Starr Acromite at 810-299-4040 for information/assistance.

Masks are a requirement this school year, so please make sure your student comes to school wearing one!



# YEARBOOK

At this time, yearbooks for the 2020/2021 year are on hold...we will let you know more information in the future! Thanks!

*We still have some Maltby yearbooks from the 2019-2020 school year for sale! They are \$35 cash or check (made out to "Maltby Intermediate") available for your student to pick up in the Maltby office.*

If you have moved, or have a change to your phone number or email address, please contact the office as soon as possible, or update in Parent Connect.

Thank you!

## Office Reminders

- You can deposit money into lunch account(s) via Parent Connect. For questions regarding your child's lunch account, please email [gandola@brightonk12.com](mailto:gandola@brightonk12.com) or call (810) 299-4175.
- Parents may drop off medication (in the original bottle) in the office along with the medication form signed by the doctor by appointment. Please do not send the medication in with your student.
- Maltby and Brighton spirit wear is available to purchase from Ivory Vines ([www.ivoryvines.com](http://www.ivoryvines.com)) or Kensington Valley Varsity ([www.kvarsity.com](http://www.kvarsity.com)).
- Masks are required and must be worn while at school. Please work with your student to make sure they are prepared and know what to do and what not to do with their masks.

## BAS Superintendent's Newsletter

### Brighton Area Schools 2020-21 Calendar

Full Student days

No School for Students

Virtual Wednesday (Semester 1)\*

#### February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat.
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28						

2/1 No School (Records Day/PD)

#### March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat.
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

3/11 End of Trimester 2  
3/12 No School (Records Day/PD)

#### April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat.
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

3/29-4/2 Spring Break  
4/5 No School (Records Day/Comp)  
4/9 End of quarter 3 (7-12)

#### May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat.
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

5/28 Last Day for BHS Seniors  
5/31 No School - Memorial Day

#### June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

6/11 Half Day - Student Last Day\*\*

\*\*Last day could be altered if required by the State due to snow days

\*Virtual Wednesdays will continue to be reviewed and discussed monthly. At this time, please plan for virtual Wednesdays for any 5 day week.



**\*\*NOTICE \*\*\*\*FIRST AGENCY, INC.\*\*\*\*NOTICE**

Student Insurance is available online. If you are interested in enrolling, please follow the instructions below. Thank you!

How to Find the Brochure PDF and/or enroll online:

Go to our home page at [www.1stAgency.com](http://www.1stAgency.com)

From there, go to "Find Your School"; select the state; hit "Go"

**A Word From The Special Education Department**

Brighton Area Schools provides a variety of learning options for eligible students with disabilities by offering a continuum of educational environments, from generalized education class placements with special services to pull out programs in specialized classrooms. Special education programs and services are operated and administered in the local school buildings in collaboration with the Livingston Educational Service Agency.

If staff members or parents believe a student is struggling academically, socially, or behaviorally, a referral should be made to the C.A.R.E. Team through his/her general education teacher or the school administration.

## Attendance & Office Procedures



If your student is going to be absent from school please use our convenient twenty-four hour absence call-in line **(810) 299-3688**.

- Please obtain a doctor's note to receive a medically excused absence.
- Please call when your student will be coming in late.
- You must call in each day that your child is absent.
- Please call no later than 9:00 a.m. on the day of the absence.
- Students arriving late to school should be dropped off at the flag pole door.
- **Do not** drive off until your student has rang the doorbell and is **inside** the building.
- Students arriving late to school **must** report to the office to sign in. **Parents cannot come inside.**
- Please send in a note for early dismissal and have it signed by office personnel.
- Please call when you arrive and we will send your student out. You do not need to come in.
- **We will only allow students to be signed out by people who are listed on the emergency card.**
- If you need an in-person meeting with a Principal or with staff, we ask that you please call and make an appointment.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Vision Screenings** for students who are currently face-to-face are provided from Livingston County Health Department in the school free of charge on the following dates: February 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Any Brighton Virtual students can have their Vision Screened free of charge at Livingston County Health Department by calling (517)552-9850 to make an appointment. They have appointments available twice a month.**



## LIVINGSTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

2300 East Grand River Avenue, Suite 102  
Howell, Michigan 48843-7578

[www.lchd.org](http://www.lchd.org)

### PERSONAL/PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES

P: (517) 546-9850  
F: (517) 546-6995



### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

P: (517) 546-9858  
F: (517) 546-9853

## GUIDELINES FOR VISION SCREENING SERVICES

### Who will be included:

1. Vision screening is offered in first, third, fifth, seventh and ninth grades.
2. Vision screening is provided for children who are follow-ups from the previous school year.
3. Any child not scheduled for screening may be referred to the technician. Referrals may come from parents and/or teachers and will be accepted by technician on the **first** day of screening.

### Who will not be included:

1. Children of parents who do **not** want the screening. (Parents must notify school.)

### Health Department Responsibilities:

1. The Livingston County Department of Public Health will supply all the necessary equipment for screening.
2. A Health Department Vision Technician will perform the screening.
3. The Livingston County Department of Public Health will provide the necessary forms.

### School Responsibilities:

1. School is responsible for notifying parents of screening services. Notification should be published in school newsletters, on school calendars and/or parent emails. Please include a reference to parents that do **not** want their children screened to contact you. School may also copy Vision Screening Information Sheet for children to take home.
2. The school will provide a room for screening with an electrical outlet, a table, and six chairs.
3. The school will provide class lists with **child's name and birthdate**; teacher's name and room number. The school will also provide music, gym, art, computer, library and lunch/recess schedules.
4. If requested by Vision Technician, schools should provide a runner (parent helper or office aide) to locate students.

### Follow-up

A child who does not pass the first screening will have a second screening. If this screening also indicates a possible vision difficulty, parent will be notified by mail with a recommendation for further evaluation by an eye doctor of their choice.



FALL 2021 FOOTBALL REGISTRATION  
OPENS **FEBRUARY 1st FOR ALL** RETURNING FOOTBALL  
PLAYERS AND CHEERLEADERS!

REGISTRATION CLOSSES **JUNE 1st!**  
SIGN UP USING THE LINK BELOW!

**REGISTER: 2021 BBFC FOOTBALL AND CHEER REGISTRATION**



# February 2021

## Maltby Intermediate Lunch

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1</b> No School Records Day	<b>2</b> • Big Daddy Cheese Pizza with • Cucumber and • Sliced Apples	<b>3</b> • Grilled Cheese with • Broccoli Floret • Ranch Lite Dressing cup and • Red Grapes	<b>4</b> • Sloppy Joe with • Baby Carrots and • Sliced Apples	<b>5</b> • Chicken Bites with • Grape Tomato and • Valencia Oranges
<b>8</b> • Big Daddy Cheese Pizza with • Cucumber and • Sliced Apples	<b>9</b> • Chicken Sandwich with • Broccoli Floret • Ranch Lite Dressing cup and • Red Grapes	<b>10</b> Online learning. Order Breakfast & Lunches for pick up at BHS . Go to Student Nutrition and click on order form	<b>11</b> • Eggo Mini Maple Waffle • Turkey Sausage Breakfast Link with • Hash Browns and • Sliced Apples	<b>12</b> • Hot Dog on a Whole Grain Bun with • Grape Tomato and • Valencia Oranges
<b>15</b> • Stuffed Crust Pizza with • Cucumber and • Sliced Apples	<b>16</b> • Macaroni & Cheese with • Broccoli Floret • Ranch Lite Dressing cup and • Red Grapes	<b>17</b> Online learning. Order Breakfast & Lunches for pick up at BHS . Go to Student Nutrition and click on order form	<b>18</b> • Whole Grain Bosco Cheese Breadstick with • Baby Carrots and • Sliced Apples	<b>19</b> • Chicken Drumsticks • Pretzel Rod with • Grape Tomato and • Valencia Oranges
<b>22</b> • Whole Grain Pizza Wedge with • Cucumber and • Sliced Apples	<b>23</b> • Chicken Sandwich with • Broccoli Floret • Ranch Lite Dressing cup and • Red Grapes	<b>24</b> Online learning. Order Breakfast & Lunches for pick up at BHS . Go to Student Nutrition and click on order form	<b>25</b> • Mini Cinni • Turkey Sausage Breakfast Link with • Hash Browns and • Sliced Apples	<b>26</b> • Hot Dog on a Whole Grain Bun with • Grape Tomato and • Valencia Oranges

Maltby Menu Prices: Student Breakfast \$2.00 , Student Lunch \$2.75 , Milk \$.50 , Adults Meals \$4.75

Ice -Cold Milk (included with all meals): Prairie Farms 1% Chocolate Milk, Prairie Farms 1% White Milk, Prairie Farms Fat Free Milk

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For more information or for nutritional values, please visit:  
[February 2021 Lunch Menu - Maltby Intermediate School](#)

For the 2020-21 Free & Reduced Application Packet, please visit:  
<https://www.brightonk12.com/Page/7665>



# Mask Up Maltby

For the 2020-2021 school year, all Maltby students and staff will be required to wear a face covering while in the classroom and in shared areas of Maltby. **It must be over the mouth and nose to be used effectively.** Below are some considerations for Maltby families to think about as we prepare to start school under these unusual circumstances.

1. **Start talking to your student about wearing a mask.**
  - i. Explain why they are required at school
  - ii. Answer your students questions with confidence and encouragement
  - iii. Remind them this is not just about them, all students and staff will be wearing masks!
2. **Ways to help your student wear a mask-**
  - i. Ask your child to wear it at home and in other social situations. Get used to taking it off and putting it back on efficiently.
  - ii. Encourage your student to personalize their mask or pick out their own.
3. **Students will be required to wear masks at school.**
  - a. The Back to School Roadmap states that in Phase 4 students will be required to wear mask in their classrooms and shared spaces within the school building
    - i. If your student refuses to wear a mask at school:
      1. A disposable mask will be offered to the student and a warning given.
      2. The second time a student is found without a face covering, the student's parents will be notified and the student will be sent home.
      3. If the behavior continues, disciplinary action will be taken and a parent meeting will take place.
    - ii. The only times students will not be required to wear masks is when they are eating/drinking or at recess/outside with their class cohort.

Here is a helpful article about masks and kids:

<https://www.healthline.com/health-news/from-toddlers-to-teens-how-to-talk-to-kids-about-wearing-masks>

[Click here to view the Livingston County Health Department Return to School Toolkit](#)

# Assessing Close Contacts in Schools



## What is a Close Contact in an Educational Setting?

*A **close contact** is most often someone that has been within 6 feet\* of a contagious person for at least 15 minutes of cumulative time.*

### Classroom



Classmates would be considered close contacts of a contagious individual if their desk is within 6 feet\*. This is typically desks within two rows on all sides of the contagious individual.

If a teacher is contagious and spends time with a student providing one-on-one instruction or walks throughout the classroom during instruction, students may be considered close contacts.

Teachers should be consulted for classroom close contacts in order to assess distance, contact duration, and absences. Seating charts are recommended to help identify close contacts.

### Sports

During practice or games, individuals within 6 feet\* of the contagious individual are considered close contacts. This includes individuals from opposing teams. The type of sport and player position are additionally considered when assessing close contacts.



### Lunch and Snack Time



If students/staff are sitting within 6 feet\* of a contagious individual, they are considered close contacts. Lunch is a higher risk activity, as face coverings cannot be worn.

### Outdoor Mask Breaks and Recess

During outdoor mask breaks and recess, if individuals are within 6 feet\* of the contagious individual, they are considered a close contact, unless interactions are consistently kept brief and no common items are shared. Mask breaks are a higher risk activity, as masks are not worn.



### Electives



In electives, such as music class, close contacts may need to be assessed on a case-by-case basis. In general, close contacts are individuals within 6 feet\* of a contagious individual.

### Transportation



Bus riders are considered close contacts of a contagious individual if they sit within 6 feet\*. This includes bus riders, as well as the bus driver. It is advised that seating charts are employed to aid in the assessments of close contacts.

Bus drivers should be consulted for bus close contacts in order to assess contact duration and absences.

### Special Considerations

Environmental and activity-related factors may play a role in determining close contacts. When assessing close contacts in schools, please consider:

- The proximity of the case to contacts
- The duration of exposure
- The symptoms of the case
- Type of interaction or activity



- \* LCHD may determine that distances beyond 6 feet can still result in high-risk exposures based on other considerations and circumstances in each particular case.



Please contact the Livingston County Health Department for advice on close contact identification in schools.  
517-546-9850

There is now a web-based COVID-19 self-reporting form for school staff members and parents/guardians to use on the Livingston County Health Department site!

The hope is that the use of this form will help expedite case investigation and confirmation and also decrease call volume for case-related matters.

### [COVID-19 Self-Reporting Form Livingston County](#)

Appendix AB

# COVID-19 STAFF AND STUDENT AT-HOME SCREENING CHECKLIST FOR SCHOOLS



Monitor your health each day prior to arriving at school or work. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, stay home, contact the school, and consult your medical provider.

An electronic version of this screening form can be filled out at the MI Symptoms App: <https://bit.ly/2Xl5oSA>

## 01 Have you had any of these symptoms?

Check any current symptoms that developed within the last two weeks.

- Chills
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath
- Diarrhea
- Congestion or Runny Nose
- Cough
- Headache
- Nausea or vomiting
- Muscle aches without recognizable cause

## 02 Do you have a fever or feel feverish?

- Yes If yes, please enter your body temperature  °F
- No A fever is a temperature above 100.4°F

## 03 Have you had close contact with someone who was diagnosed with COVID-19 in the last two weeks?

- Yes
- No

## 04 Have you been diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past two weeks?

- Yes
- No

IF YOU ANSWER **NO** TO **ALL** OF THE QUESTIONS ABOVE, YOU HAVE PASSED THE HEALTH SCREENING

IF YOU ANSWER **YES** TO **ANY** OF THE QUESTIONS ABOVE:

- Stay home!
- Notify the school
- Consult your medical provider

For more information, visit [www.lchd.org](http://www.lchd.org). Questions? Call the COVID-19 hotline at 517-546-9850.