August, 2024

BERRY

BROADCAST

Principal's message



It seriously feels like yesterday when we started doing the end of year countdown... and now here we are counting down days to start! I don't know about you, but I am so ready to get this school year started. We have so many exciting things in store for this year.

We are excited about starting our new English Language Arts Curriculum which includes phonics skills. If you have any questions about it, please do not hesitate to reach out.

We also have STEM for all of our students. This is an amazing opportunity for all.

See you soon, Mrs. Wall







Attendance is important from day one. If you have a student who is anxious about starting school we would love to help. Just give us a call and we will work together to set up a plan.

Janet Berry Elementary

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Welcome TO OUR YOUTH ADVOCATE



Hello Bobcats-

My name is Ms. Annie and I will be your new Youth Advocate for this school year. I am an Appleton native. I attended college at UW-La Crosse with a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology. I was also part of the AmeriCorps in Yakima, WA. In 2010, I returned to Wisconsin and worked with the Boys & Girls Club as the Unit Director at Columbus Elementary for 6 years. After that, I became a part of the AASD and the Youth Advocate for Columbus Elementary School for 7 years. Now, I am here as your new Youth Advocate.

My role's purpose is to advocate for students who encounter barriers to achievement and participation. I will build positive relationships with students, families, and staff by being visible and accessible throughout the building throughout the day and at school events, when possible. My goal is to be proactive throughout the day for our students who need us to be their voice at times. I look forward to working with our staff and getting to know all our students and families.

See you all in a few weeks!



Important Dates

AUGUST 28THKINDERGARTEN BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
BE HERE FOR 5:00 PM- ENDS AT 6:00 PM
AUGUST 29TH1ST-5TH GRADE BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
STOP IN ANY TIME IN BETWEEN
4:30- 6:00

PICTURE DAY IS SEPTEMBER 26



BACK TO SCHOOL Important Information



AASD Annual
School
2024-2025
Calendar

If you need assistance purchasing school supplies because of financial strain on your family please reach out to the school and ask to speak to our Student Services Department.



I'd like to take the opportunity to debunk some myths about split classrooms. First, to define. A split class is a classroom that has two separate grade levels in one room. That class is taught by one or more teachers.

- Splits are not new to AASD nor are they new to Berry Elementary.
- One of the reasons for split classes is to eliminate large class sizes
- There are many pros to split classes (see one article here)
- Research has shown there is no difference in academic achievement between children in split classes versus straight grades.
- Please be assured that ALL Berry students needs are being met. If your child was placed in a split, I am more than happy to answer your questions if you have them.





Drop off times: Do not drop off before 8 AM. First bell is 8:22, second bell is 8:27. All students must come through the main office after 8:27.

Where to drop students off: K-3 drop off is on Telulah Ave and they will line up on the playground. 4-5 drop off will be on Janet St and they will line up at door K. Please remember to keep the traffic moving.

Reminder about no parking zones:
Parking is on side streets only
during drop off and pick up times.

The school day ends at 3:20! Please notify the office if you are running late or there is an alternative pick up person.



Share your Time Talent Treasure



Items needed:
Clorox wipes
Kleenex
White copy paper
Construction paper
(any color)

We know that families can share their time, talent, or treasures in a variety of ways. Please join us by giving in a way that works for you. Once you have joined our Three for Me Campaign, and you are nominated by a Berry Staff Member, your family name will be added to our Three for Me bulletin board.

- Donate \$30 or more
- Volunteer for 3 hours at an Event/Activity
- Share a Special Talent with a Classroom
- Lead a School Project

- Donate 3 Items to a Classroom or the School
- Become a Class Parent
- Cut, Copy, or Assemble Projects at Home
- Add your Idea Here!



Three for Me Campaign

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