

Dear Bobcat Families,

I hope this email finds you and your family well! My usual newsletter platform isn't allowing me to publish at the moment, and so I wanted to make sure to share some important updates with you via email.

We've had an incredible week at BMES! Our 1st-3rd grade Bobcats competed in a district-wide cross-country meet and did an amazing job—way to go, Bobcats! In even bigger news, BMES has once again been recognized as an A+ School of Excellence! This is the highest state-level distinction a school can receive, and it is a testament to the dedication of our students, staff, and community. You should have received an email from me earlier today with this exciting announcement, but it's definitely something worth celebrating! We also had a fantastic turnout for our Spirit Night at Handel's and so much more happening on campus.

BMES Book Fair is Coming Soon

Our library is ready to welcome you to our Book Fair next week! This is a wonderful opportunity to encourage a love of reading while supporting our school.

Set Up an eWallet for Easy Shopping

To make shopping easy for your child, you can set up an eWallet, a digital payment option that allows students to purchase books without carrying cash.

 Set up an eWallet here: [Scholastic eWallet Information](#)

Volunteers Needed

We need your help to make this event a success! If you're available, please consider signing up to assist during the fair before and during school hours (Feb 25th-28th). Even a small amount of time makes a big difference!

 Sign up to volunteer here: [Volunteer Sign-Up](#)

Book Fair Hours

Tuesday, February 25 – 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM (Donuts at Drop Off)

Wednesday, February 26 – 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Thursday, February 27 – 8:40 AM - 9:00 AM

Friday, February 28 – 8:40 AM - 9:00 AM

All students will have a chance to visit the book fair during a time that their teacher signed up for during the week.

 Please note: The book fair will not be open after school.

BMES Yearbooks – Order Now!

Yearbooks are now on sale, and the last day to preorder is March 7th. Last year, we ran out of yearbooks, so don't wait to order yours!



Preorder price: \$25



Price increases to: \$30 after March 17th



Yearbooks will be handed out the last week of school

Checks must be made out to Black Mountain PTO or they will be returned.



View the Yearbook Flash Sale Flyer here: [BMES Yearbook Flash Sale Flyer](#)

PE, Track & Field Clubs

There are some great PE, Track & Field, and other clubs available for students!



View offerings here: [BMES Clubs & Activities](#)

Important Upcoming Dates



February 24 – Special Board Meeting to reconsider the prior decision regarding Lone Mountain Elementary School (6:00 PM)



February 25 – 4th-6th Grade Cross-Country Meet at CSHS (4:15 PM)



February 26 – BMES Open House for Prospective Families (5:00-6:30 PM)



March 3 – BMES Celebrates Read Across America Day



March 4 – Student-Led Conferences this evening (Lost & Found will be set up in the front office for families to check for missing items)



March 6 – K-3 Field Day & 12:30 Dismissal



March 7 – 4-6 Field Day, School-wide A+ Celebration, & 12:30 Dismissal



March 10-14 – Spring Break

Have a wonderful weekend!!!!!!

Matt Owsley
Proud Principal
Black Mountain Elementary School