September 2026

Welcome to the ‘ber’ months, Chieftain Nation:

The start of a new school year always brings a great deal of energy, excitement, and anticipation. As we move into September, we begin settling into routines and focusing on the work ahead. I want to thank our students, families, and staff for the incredible start to the 2026-2027 school year.

Our focus continues to be: **LEVEL UP—One School. One Team. One Mission.**

Leveling up doesn't mean being perfect. It means continuing to grow. It means learning from challenges, supporting one another, and finding ways to improve each day. Every student, staff member, and family plays an important role in making Bellevue East the special place that it is.

As we move into the next level of the school year, I encourage our students to get involved, build relationships, challenge themselves, and take advantage of the many opportunities available at Bellevue East. To our families, thank you for your continued support and partnership. And to our staff, thank you for the incredible work you do each day to support and inspire our students.

The first few weeks have reminded me of something I have always believed about Bellevue East: **our greatest strength is our people.** When we work together, support one another, and keep our students at the center of everything we do, there is no limit to what we can accomplish.

September is where the real rhythm of the school year begins. Let's continue building on the positive start we have had and keep moving forward together.

Go Chieftains!

Nathan Bacon
Principal
Bellevue East High School



Great Attendance Starts with Great Routines

Now that the school year is underway, September is the perfect time to establish routines that support regular attendance.

Children thrive on consistency. Predictable bedtime routines, healthy breakfasts, and leaving home at the same time each morning help students arrive at school ready to learn.

Parents also play an important role by communicating with teachers when concerns arise. If transportation, anxiety, or other challenges are affecting attendance, our staff is ready to help identify solutions before small concerns become larger ones.

Regular attendance not only supports academic learning but also helps students build friendships, participate in classroom activities, and develop a sense of belonging.

Family Tip: Create a weekly family calendar that includes school events, appointments, extracurricular activities, and important deadlines.

Attendance Reminder: Small attendance habits developed now often become lifelong habits.



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Possible Appointment Dates: 2026-2027

To minimize missed instructional time, families are encouraged to schedule routine medical, dental, vision, and therapy appointments:

- ✓ After school whenever possible
- ✓ On teacher workdays or other non-student work days
- ✓ During winter or spring break for non-urgent procedures
- ✓ Outside district and state testing windows
- ✓ So students can return to school before or after the appointment whenever possible

Non-student Days for the 2026-2027 School Year

September 18 - Professional Learning/Professional Work Time (No School)
October 16 - Professional Learning/Professional Work Time (No School)
October 23 - No School
November 23-27 - Thanksgiving Break (No School)
December 23-January 5 - Holiday Break (No School)
January 6 - Professional Learning/Professional Work Time (No School)
February 15 - Professional Learning (No School)
February 26 - No School
March 15-19 - Spring Break (No School)
March 26 - No School
April 16 - Professional Learning (No School)

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Posibles Fechas Para Citas: 2026-2027

Para minimizar la pérdida de tiempo de instrucción, se recomienda a las familias programar las citas de rutina médicas, dentales, de la vista y de terapia::

- ✓ Después de clases, siempre que sea posible.
- ✓ En los días de trabajo docente u otros días sin actividad para los estudiantes
- ✓ Durante las vacaciones de invierno o primavera para procedimientos no urgentes.
- ✓ Fuera de los periodos de exámenes del distrito y del estado
- ✓ Por lo tanto, los estudiantes puedan regresar a la escuela antes o después de la cita siempre que sea posible.

Días sin clases para el año escolar 2026-2027

18 de septiembre-Desarrollo Profesional/Trabajo profesional (No hay clases)
16 de octubre- Desarrollo Profesional/Trabajo profesional (No hay clases)
23 de octubre- No hay clases
23-27 de noviembre - Vacaciones de Acción de Gracias (No hay clases)
23 de diciembre al 5 de enero: Vacaciones de invierno (No hay clases)
6 de enero - Desarrollo Profesional/Trabajo profesional (No hay clases)
15 de febrero- Desarrollo Profesional (No hay clases)
26 de febrero - No hay clases
15 al 19 de marzo: Vacaciones de primavera (No hay clases)
26 de marzo- No hay clases
16 de abril - Desarrollo Profesional/ (No hay clases)

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2026-2027 Daily Bell Schedule

2026-2027 Block Schedule

85 min class / 35 min lunch / 30 min GPS end of day

Bellevue East High School

A Block *Pledge of Allegiance at 7:51am			B Block *Pledge of Allegiance at 7:51am		
Period 1		**7:50-9:15**	**Period 1**		**7:50-9:15**
PASSING 9:15-9:20					
Period 2		**9:20-10:45**	**Period 2**		**9:20-10:45**
PASSING 10:45-10:50					
Period 3/Lunch		**10:50-12:55**	**Period 3/Lunch**		**10:50-12:55**
1st Lunch	2nd Lunch	3rd Lunch	1st Lunch	2nd Lunch	3rd Lunch
1st Lunch **10:45-11:20 (35)** *Passing 11:20-11:25 (5)* Class 11:25-12:55 (90)	Class 10:50-11:30 (40) **2nd Lunch** **11:30-12:05 (35)** *Passing 12:05-12:10 (5)* Class 12:10-12:55 (45)	Class 10:50-12:20 (90) **3rd Lunch** **12:20-12:55 (35)** *Passing 12:55-1:00 (5)*	**1st Lunch** **10:45-11:20 (35)** *Passing 11:20-11:25 (5)* Class 11:25-12:55 (90)	Class 10:50-11:30 (40) **2nd Lunch** **11:30-12:05 (35)** *Passing 12:05-12:10 (5)* Class 12:10-12:55 (45)	Class 10:50-12:20 (90) **3rd Lunch** **12:20-12:55 (35)** *Passing 12:55-1:00 (5)*
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Period 4		**1:00-2:25**	**Period 4**		**1:00-2:25**
2:25-2:30					
GPS/Advisory			**2:30-3:00**		

Lunch Schedules	**1st Lunch 10:45-11:20**	**2nd Lunch 11:30-12:05**	**3rd Lunch 12:20-12:55**
	C F H wings, B05 & B10	**D G K wings**	**A B E I J wings C19 D04 D06 D07 F03 & Gyms**

2026-2027 September A/B Schedule

September

30	31	1	2	3	4	5
	A	B	A	B	A	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	No School	B	A	B	A	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	B	A	B	A	PL/PW	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	B	Practice ACT (9-11)	A	B	A	
27	28	29	30			
	B	A	B			

One of the greatest predictors of student success is something every family can influence—consistent school attendance. Attendance is not only important within the classroom, but also in order to attend extra curricular activities - such as Homecoming and Prom.



Homecoming tickets will be sold at lunch from Sept. 11th to Sept. 17th, as well as at the door the night of the dance on Sept. 18th. Tickets are $10.00 each.

Students wanting to bring a guest must complete the form and turn it in to the Dean's office before the deadline See the Dean's office for more information.

2026-2027 Student Tardy Policy

Not only is attendance important, but arriving on time is also important.

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BELLEVUE EAST

TARDY POLICY

# OF TARDIES	CONSEQUENCE	STAFF RESPONSIBLE
1-2	Conversation with student	Teacher
3	Automated Email Home	Admin
6	Guardian Phone Call, Minor Referral in Educlimber, Detention with Teacher	Teacher
9	Dean consequence, Major Referral in Educlimber	Dean
12	Dean consequence, Major Referral in Educlimber	Dean
15+	Loss of Privileges, Major Referral in Educlimber	Dean

EVERY DAY. SHOW UP.

EVERY STUDENT. LEVEL UP.

EVERY STAFF MEMBER. LEAD THE WAY.

Helpful Phone Numbers - Please reach out!



BEast in the know for September

- **Building Hours:** The building is open for students from 7:30-3:00pm. Breakfast is served from 7:30-7:45. Students that are not a part of a group, club, sport or activity must leave the building at dismissal time. We do have PMGS most nights (Monday-Thursday) from 3:15-5:30pm that students can attend and get extra support with their homework.
- **Bound:** **Bellevue East is on Bound**– For all upcoming events and schedules, check out Bellevue East on Bound at: **https://gobound.com/ne/schools/bellevueeast**
- **Dual Enrollment through MCC and UNO:** For students in a Metro Dual Enrolled class, paper registrations are due no later than 3pm THIS Friday, September 4th. For students in a UNO Dual Enrolled class, the online application is due by 11:59pm on September 25th. Parent approval MUST be done by that time as well. The parent approval is sent to whichever parent email address the student lists on their UNO Dual Enrollment Application. Bills will come directly from UNO in October and are paid directly to UNO. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Pribyl at **colleen.pribyl@bpsne.net**. Please click here for our **informational Dual Enrollment parent handout.**
- **Senior Yard Signs:** Show excitement for your SENIOR by purchasing a Class of 2027 yard sign! Only $25! Order forms and money are due no later than September 18th. Payment options include:
    - Pay by cash or check payable to Bellevue East High School. Drop off at the front office
    - Mail to Bellevue East along with this **order form** (attention: Mrs Pribyl). Cost is $25.
    - Pay by credit card. If paying with a credit card online, this form is not necessary as your student's name will be on credit card order. The cost with a credit card is $26.10 to cover fees. Pay with credit card at **https://square.link/u/158hQRxT**

  Signs are one sided and come with a stake and will be available for pick up around Sept.25th. This is a fundraiser for the Class of 2027 and will help fund our Senior Sendoff!
- **Practice ACT:** This is for students in grades 9th, 10th and 11th. They will get to experience what it is like to take the ACT and get scores back and find out where they can improve within the ACT. Seniors this is a great day to schedule college visits, complete various applications, etc. This will occur on Tuesday, September 22nd.
- **Yearbooks for sale:** Order your **2027 Yearbook here**. You can also purchase **Senior Dedication pages here**.
- **Want to go to New York with EF Tours?:** The EF Explore America student travel agency is planning a trip to New York City and would love for your student to join! If you and your student are interested, please register for the informational session we'll be having on September 10th to be considered: **https://rsvp.efexploreamerica.com/wz74wxs**
- **Unified Bowling:** If your student is interested in participating in Unified Bowling this season, please plan to attend an informational parent meeting on October 5th at 7pm, in the cafeteria. Students will have the opportunity to attend an informational meeting during Advisory on September 28th.

- **Lunch:** Students without off campus lunch privileges (approved seniors) are expected to remain on campus for lunch. Parents or guardians may not call the school to excuse their student for the sole purpose of leaving campus during lunch. Students should only leave school during lunch for special occasions that have been approved at least 24 hours in advance by school administration. This practice is in place to ensure student safety and maintain accountability during the school day.
- **School Picture Day:** School picture day is scheduled for **Thursday, September 3rd.** All students will be photographed individually. To get the best possible price, all orders MUST be placed by picture day. You may send a check or cash in the prepay order envelope that your student will get in the next few weeks, or you can pay online. Orders placed AFTER picture day are not at the discounted price and will be charged shipping. You can pay online until 11:59pm on September 3rd at: https://jeremyjohnsonphoto.accessmyevent.com/BEFall2026
- **Student Family Handbook:** Located at this link



9/3 Thurs.	School Picture Day	Order via packets or online
9/7 Mon.	No School	Labor Day
9/16 Weds.	Homecoming Parade	Burt Murphy Drive @ 6:00pm
9/17 Thurs.	Homecoming Games	Softball 4:30pm; Volleyball 6pm; Football 7pm - fireworks to follow
9/18 Fri.	No School for Students	Teacher PL/PW Day
9/18 Fri.	Homecoming Dance	7-10pm @ Bellevue East H.S.
9/22 Tues.	Practice ACT Exam	Grades 9-11 Only; 7:50 @ B.East Dismissal at 1pm



SCHOOL PORTRAIT REMINDER

Bellevue East

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Online Prepay
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MILITARY CHILD OF THE YEAR®



Help us find Operation Homefront's next award recipients!

WHAT

Operation Homefront's Military Child of the Year Awards celebrate and recognize the tremendous achievements of outstanding military children.

WHO

Each year, hundreds of military teens (ages 13–18) are nominated by a parent, teacher, mentor or guardian. Candidates for the Military Child of the Year Awards demonstrate resilience, strength of character, and the ability to thrive in the face of the challenges of military life.

WHEN

The Awards Gala will be held in Washington, D.C. in April 2027 during the Month of the Military Child.

RECIPIENTS

Military Child of the Year Award recipients receive a $10,000 cash award, a laptop, and are flown with a parent or guardian for a 3-night stay in Washington, D.C.

Nominations accepted September 2 to December 1, 2026

For more information, scan the QR code or visit **operationhomefront.org/mcoy**