

# **DECEMBER 15, 2023**

#### Dear Families -

We have just one week left before our winter break! Your students and our staff members have been hard at work finishing mid-year assessments, wrapping up Quarter 2, and getting into the holiday spirit. Please continue to encourage your student to be on time to school, and to come ready to learn! We have five full days of instruction next week before we have a couple of weeks off.

Spirit Week info for next week is shared below.

Holiday parties are coming up next week on Thursday - your child's teacher should be in touch soon with more information!

After winter break, a newly renovated area of our building will be open that will house our new art room, a new speech room, and some other new learning spaces. Our first grade classes will be in temporary classrooms around the building from January through March while their first grade hallway is renovated. Those students will get a tour of their temporary rooms before winter break so they know where to go upon returning in January! We are excited about the continued updates happening at Bailly and look forward to even more areas of the building being updated in the coming months!

Now that the weather is cold, it's important to remind you about our <u>Snow Procedures</u> for students and outdoor recess. In order to play IN the snow, students need the following 5 items when there is snow on the ground: coat, gloves/mittens, snow boots, snow pants, and a hat or hood. If they do not have ALL five of these items, they'll still be permitted to play outside but they will have to avoid the snow. We appreciate your attention to this and your understanding!

Linked below are the standards-based grading documents for you to review for your child's grade level. These outline the standards our learners are focusing on from now through December, as well as the expected levels of mastery for each one.

- Kindergarten
- First grade
- Second grade
- Third grade
- Fourth grade

### **Upcoming Dates:**

December 21st - Holiday Parties December 22nd - Last Day of school before winter break January 9th - School resumes

Mrs. Storm
Proud Bailly Principal

MONDAY, December 18	Cozy or Ugly Holiday Sweater Day Wear your coziest or ugliest holiday sweater!		
TUESDAY, December 19	Grinch Gear Day Wear green or dress as your favorite character from Whoville!		
WEDNESDAY, December 20	Candy Cane Day Wear red & white!		
THURSDAY, December 21	Party Time! Wear your Best Festive Outfit to help spread some cheer!		
FRIDAY, December 22			

### **LUNCH MENU!**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			Offered Daily: Variety of In Season Fresh Veggies with Ranch Dip: Fresh Broccoli Florets Fresh Carrot Sticks Fresh Couliflower Forets Fresh Celery Sticks Fresh Cucumber Slices Fresh Grape Tomatoes Fresh Pepper Strips Fresh Zucchini Strips Ranch Dip Cup	Bosco Sticks     Marinara Sauce Dipping Cup     Buttered Corn     Assorted Fruit     Milk Variety     Alternate:     Ez Jammer
Breakfast For Lunch     Hash Brown Rounds     Assorted Fruit     Cookie, Assorted Flavors     Milk Variety     Alternate:     Ez Jammer	<ul> <li>Assorted Fruit</li> <li>Milk Variety</li> <li>Alternate:</li> <li>Pizza Stack Pack</li> </ul>	Ravioli Minis with Mozzarella Cheese Cup Warm Breadstick Buttered Corn Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Alternate: Ez Jammer	Chicken Tenders Baked Beans Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Alternate: Yogurt On The Go	Pizza, Stuffed Crust Pepperoni - Max Seasoned Green Beans Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Alternate: Ez Jammer
• Mini Corn Dogs • Curly Fries • Assorted Fruit • Milk Variety Alternate: • Ez Jammer • Cookie, Assorted Flavors	<ul> <li>Pizza Stack Pack</li> </ul>	Rotini With Meatsauce Warm Breadstick Seasoned Green Beans Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Alternate: Ez Jammer	Chicken Nuggets Baked Beans Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Alternate: Yogurt On The Go	<ul> <li>Big Daddy's Cheese Pizza</li> <li>Buttered Corn</li> <li>Assorted Fruit</li> <li>Milk Variety Alternate:</li> <li>Ez Jammer</li> </ul>
Hot Dog On Bun     Baked Beans     Cheesy Broccoli     Assorted Fruit     Cookie, Assorted Flavors     Milk Variety     Alternate:     Ez Jammer	<ul> <li>Salsa Dipping Cup</li> <li>Assorted Fruit</li> <li>Milk Variety</li> <li>Alternate:</li> <li>Pizza Stack Pack</li> </ul>	Macaroni And Cheese     Dinner Roll     Buttered Carrots     Assorted Fruit     Milk Variety     Alternate:     Ez Jammer	Popcorn Chicken Tator Tots Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Alternate: Yogurt On The Go	<ul> <li>Bosco Sticks</li> <li>Marinara Sauce Dipping Cup</li> <li>Buttered Corn</li> <li>Assorted Fruit</li> <li>Milk Variety Alternate:</li> <li>Ez Jammer</li> </ul>

**BREAKFAST MENU!** 

**MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY** 1 **Donut Holes** Assorted Fruit Juice Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Alternate: Choice Of Cereal With Graham Snack 5 6 8 7 Warm Breakfast Bread Pancake & Sausage Wrap **Assorted Pop-Tart Twin Packs** Mini Pancakes **Donut Holes** Assorted Fruit Juice Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Alternate: Alternate: Alternate: Alternate: Alternate: Choice Of Cereal With Graham • Choice Of Cereal With Graham Snack Snack Snack Snack Snack 11 12 13 14 15 Warm Breakfast Bread Pancake & Sausage Wrap **Assorted Pop-Tart Twin Packs** Mini Pancakes **Donut Holes** Assorted Fruit Juice Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Alternate: Alternate: Alternate: Alternate: Alternate Choice Of Cereal With Graham Choice Of Cereal With Graham • Snack Snack Snack Snack Snack 19 18 20 21 22 **Assorted Pop-Tart Twin Packs** Mini Pancakes Donut Holes Warm Breakfast Bread Pancake & Sausage Wrap Assorted Fruit Juice Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Assorted Fruit Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Milk Variety Alternate Alternate **Alternate** Alternate: Alternate: **Choice Of Cereal With Graham** Choice Of Cereal With Graham • Snack Snack Snack Snack Snack

# Counselor Connection from Ms. Kellogg

This week in our Social Emotional lessons students learned and identified their personal strengths. Students learned to find ways to build on those strengths, and discussed strengths that employers will look for in the future.



Students discussed that most likely when they are trying to solve a problem they will rely on their strengths to solve a problem. Students discussed the following:

My strengths are the skills I am good at. These skills may be easy for me. I can use my strengths to support myself and others and to help reach a goal.

My weaknesses are the skills that do not come easy to me. I have to work hard at these skills. I can work around my weaknesses and come up with a plan to be successful.

In order to be a good employee (worker) one day, I need to know my own strengths, weaknesses, and feelings. This is called being self-aware.

In kindergarten and 1st grade students made a strength chain. In second, third, and fourth grades students completed a what are my strengths activity. Strengths are a way we can practice getting better at something and grow everyday.

We appreciate your partnership with us and having these important conversations with your son/daughter. Thank you for your investment in encouraging your child and talking with them about their personal strengths.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to me.

Have a Wonderful Weeknd,
Ms. Kellogg
<a href="mailto:hkellogg@duneland.k12.in.us">hkellogg@duneland.k12.in.us</a>
219-983-3670 ext 5025

## **Bailly PTO News**

Our next PTO Meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM. We hope to see you there!



# DSC Busing and School Start Times

This past October 2023, DSC Administration called on volunteers to serve on a team to analyze the current transportation and school start/end time model and develop a recommendation that meets the following goals:

- Decrease the amount of time students spend on buses
- Reduce extended wait times at school after drop-off or before pick-up
- Enhance the educational programming opportunities
  - Extension of elementary school day
  - Solidify extended block of time for teacher collaboration

A <u>34-person planning team</u> included 26 parents, teachers, administrators, community members and two school board members, who met through the month of November and presented their findings to the DSC School Board on December 4th (for implementation at the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year). Please review the <u>recommendation</u> and do not hesitate to contact Superintendent Dr. Chip Pettit, Assistant Superintendent Robert McDermott, Public Relations Director Bridget Martinson or Bailly Elementary committee members Megan Sutton (BA Parent and WIS Staff member) and Dean of Students Justin Jenks with questions on the process, analysis, and/or recommendation.

DSC Administration anticipates the School Board voting on the recommendation at the January 8th school board meeting.

## Family Friendly Schools Survey for DSC Families

In keeping with our Core Values, Duneland School Corporation is committed to fostering partnerships to improve the quality of life in our community. One of our most important partnerships is with our families. As we strive to continue to build upon and strengthen our family partnerships, DSC is applying for renewal from the Indiana Department of Education as an IDOE "Family Friendly Schools" corporation. In doing so, we will continue to "focus on addressing students' academic, physical, emotional, and social needs while providing the needed resources and fostering the active involvement of their families through schools and the community." (Indiana Department of Education Family Friendly Schools Handbook)

Please help us as we continue to support our students and community by completing the IDOE online survey by December 21, 2023.

Your ongoing support in educating the children of our community is greatly appreciated! SURVEY LINKS AND INSTRUCTIONS:

### Survey Links:

- 2024-2025 Family Friendly Survey Questions for Families
- 2024-2025 Family Friendly Survey Questions for Families-Spanish

**School Name:** choose your school from the drop-down list **School Corporation:** 6470 Duneland School Corporation

School Liaison Name: MICHELLE PALKO

School Liaison email: mpalko@duneland.k12.in.us

**School Codes for your convenience:** 6928 - Bailly Elementary School

### Parent Observer in Canvas

If you have interest in being a **parent observer in Canvas**, <u>CLICK HERE</u> to follow the instructions! This will allow you access to the materials your child is seeing and working on in Canvas.

# Elementary School Day Schedule

Students in grades K-4 will attend school from 8:00 AM - 2:20 PM.

Our school doors will open at 7:40 AM each day, which is when we will start operating our car line.

Students will not be permitted to enter the school building before 7:40 AM.

#### **ARRIVAL**

- 2. When students enter, they can choose to have breakfast (go to the cafeteria) or not (go to classroom).
- 3. We ask that all students strive to be at school by 7:50 a.m. so they are ready to start on time.
- 4. All cars dropping off students should pull up to the curb and follow car line staff members' instructions. If a parent would like to come into the building with your child, please use one of the angled parking spots and walk your child into the office so we can keep the flow of traffic moving efficiently.
- 5. Students who arrive after 8:00 AM by car must have a parent come into the building and sign in as to the reason the student is tardy.

#### **DISMISSAL**

- 1. Student dismissal begins at 2:15 PM.
- 2. It is important to build consistency with students' routines, so families will need to select the "default" mode of transportation their student will use on most days.
- 3. Students who must go home a different way than usual must have a note signed by the parent. Phone calls or emails are not sufficient as we may miss those messages during the school day or not receive them in time.
- 4. Students may only go home with people who are designated to pick them up. Please make sure to fill out this information at Open House or within the first week of school.
- 5. Please see the school documents that show and explain our dismissal process.

# Skyward Family Access

Need some help in navigating your Skyward Parent Portal? Here is a <u>Quick Guide</u> with helpful videos attached to guide parents in familiarizing and utilizing Skyward!

Click **HERE** for a video tour of Skyward Family Access

Click **HERE** for more Skyward Family Access resources

Click **HERE** to log in to Skyward!

CHS is offering several upcoming camps for students! Click here for info!

# Procedures for Delaying/Closing School

As we approach the winter season, please review the procedures for school closings and/or

virtual-synchronous eLearning day (see below) or alter the school day is made after collaborating with multiple district personnel, local, state departments and agencies, including: law enforcement, national weather service, highway/street departments, and transportation. In addition, other Porter County school districts are consulted due to partnerships that impact special education and career-technical education students.

Decisions about school delays due to inclement weather will be made as early as possible. In some instances, a school cancellation may follow a two-hour delay. In the event of a two-hour delay followed by a cancellation, we will do our best to make the decision to cancel school before 9:00 a.m. Delay or cancellation information will be delivered through the Skylert notification system. These notifications are based on the contact information provided in the *General* category within your Skylert notification system. Please review and update (if necessary) your contact information to receive these notifications. School closing/delay information will also be posted on the DSC website (<a href="https://www.duneland.k12.in.us">www.duneland.k12.in.us</a>) and sent to the following media outlets:

- Radio: WAKE 1500 AM; Indiana 105.5 FM; WEFM 95.9 FM; WDSO 88.3 FM; WGN Radio 720;
   WBBM Newsradio 780
- Local TV Channels: 2, 5, 7, 9, 32
- Websites: <u>www.duneland.k12.in.us</u>; <u>www.emergencyclosingcenter.com</u>

The following options will be considered during weather emergencies:

**Option 1:** Start of the school day will be delayed 2-hours. Delayed start times are:

- Elementary 10:00 a.m.
- Intermediate 10:15 a.m.
- Middle School 9:50 a.m.
- High School 9:40 a.m.

**Option 2:** Students will not report to school; students will participate in an unplanned inclement weather eLearning day (<u>virtual-synchronous-see Guidelines for Students</u>)

 Students will take part in Google Meet sessions with their teachers to receive face-to-face instruction. Teachers will post schedules by 9:00 A.M. Please click on the link above for more information.

Option 3: Schools will dismiss early



Just a reminder that Chesterton High School is a cashless gate for any athletic ticket. Please purchase your tickets in advance online or at the gate with a credit card. There will be no cash ticket purchases at the gate. To purchase tickets online go to the following website:

https://sites.eventlink.com/s/chesterton-high-school/Tickets

To get the best bang for your buck, purchase a season pass or family punch pass. Prices are listed below:

- Trojan Fan: All-Sports Pass = \$125.00
- Duneland Student: All-Sports Pass = \$35.00
- Trojan Punch Pass = \$100.00 for 20 punches
  (The Trojan Punch Pass is transferrable and can be used by multiple people)

NOTE: CHS Concession Stand is still a cash only option at this time.

**CHS Event Ticket Link - Click here!** 



# UNELAND SCHOOL

**CHESTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL** 

651 W. MORGAN AVE. DOOR 7

#### **SERVICES INCLUDE:**

- Strep throat
- Ear infections
- Sports physicals and referrals
- · Treatment for pink eye
- Rashes
- Immunizations
   Behavioral health services

### **ACCESS TO CARE WITHOUT** HAVING TO LEAVE SCHOOL

### **HOURS**

SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR IN-PERSON OR VIA



### **PROVIDER**

SHAWN KROFT, FNP-BC

positions from floor nursing in so she could better serve her

and they have 2 amazing grew up in Duneland Schools hiking, crocheting, reading, sewing, gardening, sketching, and spending time with her family and friends.



### **Bailly Elementary School**

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