

## **FEBRUARY 2, 2024**

#### Dear Families -

Congratulations to our Robotics Teams who competed in their final competition last weekend. Our students represented our school with excellence - we are so proud of them! Results from the meet and pictures are included below!

THANK YOU to all students and staff who participated in our Riley Children's fundraiser last week! Together, we raised over \$870 to donate to Riley's!

We also appreciate those of you who participated in our Giveback Night at Val's Pizza earlier this week - your support is so important to us!

Next week is National School Counseling Week - here at Bailly, we are beyond grateful for our amazing and dedicated school counselor, Ms. Heather Kellogg! Her support of students, families, and colleagues is unmatched, and we appreciate her every day! Please make sure to let her know how much you appreciate her some time next week!

February 14th is the date for our Valentine parties. Your student brought home a pink note this week explaining procedures for this fun event - please make sure you refrain from sending in any candy or other food-related treats.

On February 27th, author and illustrator Troy Cummings will be visiting Bailly and meeting with all students! Please be sure to read below for more information and details on how you can have a book signed by Mr. Cummings himself!

Here are the Quarter 3 Standards-Based Grading family documents to help you understand what your students are working toward this quarter:

- <u>Kindergarten</u>
- First Grade
- Second Grade
- Third Grade
- Fourth Grade

For 4th grade families, our school was selected to participate in this year's NAEP Testing, which stands for National Assessment of Educational Progress. This test provides data for the Nation's Report Card, and schools across the country are randomly selected each year. The scheduled date for this assessment is February 20th. The process outlines that 50 students from our school will need to participate - those randomly selected were notified via a letter sent home with your child earlier this week.

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

February 14th - Valentines Parties
February 16th & 19th - No School (winter break)
February 20th - NAEP Testing for some 4th Grade students
February 27th - Author/Illustrator Troy Cummings visits Bailly

Mrs. Storm
Proud Bailly Principal



# Author and Illustrator Troy Cummings is coming to Bailly!

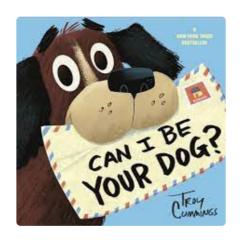
Thanks to the Bailly PTO and profits from our Book Fairs, Troy Cummings is coming to Bailly on February 27th! In addition to sharing his work and process with students, he will also sign books!

We are excited to be able to offer a chance to purchase a Troy Cummings book ahead of his visit on Tuesday, February 27th. Look for a flyer (coming home with students on Monday) to order your book!! All orders are due by February 14th. If you already have a book at home or would like to purchase one please cond it in an Mo

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book at home or would like to purchase one, please send it in on Monday, February 26th.

If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Ward.



### **LUNCH & BREAKFAST MENU**



#### **Duneland Elementary/Intermediate School 2ND SEMESTER Breakfast & Lunch Menu**

All Meals served with Choice of Fruit and Milk. Fresh Veggies with dip offered daily. (Must take 1/2c. fruit or veggie with meal)

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WEEK 1
<u>Monday</u>
Mini Corn Dogs
Tator Tots
<u>Tuesday</u>
Walking Taco
Salsa Cup
Seasoned Corn
<u>Wednesday</u>
Hamburger on Bun
Broccoli w/Cheese
<u>Thursday</u>
Chicken Nuggets w/dipping saud
Baked Beans
Cookie
<u>Friday</u>
Stuffed Crust Pizza
Seasoned Green Beans

#### Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans <u>Tuesday</u> Fiestada Pizza Salsa Cup Steamed Broccoli **Wednesday** Mac & Cheese w/Warm Roll & Butter Buttered Carrots **Thursday** Popcorn Chicken w/dipping sauce Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Cookie Friday

Monday

## Marinara Sauce Seasoned Corn

#### WEEK 3 Monday Cinnamon Glazed French Toast w/Sausage Links **Potato Smiles Beef Nachos** Salsa Cup

**Wednesday** Cheeseburger on Bun **Buttered Carrots** Thursday Chicken Patty on Bun

Baked Beans **Friday** Big Daddy's Pizza Garden Salad Breakfast Price Full Pay: \$1.45 Breakfast Reduced Price: \$.30 Lunch Price Full Pay: \$2.55 Lunch Reduced Price: \$.40 Milk Only: \$.50

Free and Reduced-Price Meal Applications can be found on the Child Nutrition Page of the Duneland Website

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>				
Pizza Snack Pack	Yogurt Pack	Pizza Snack Pack	Yogurt Pack	Pizza Snack Pack				
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Warm Banana Bread	Sausage Griddle Sandwich	Warm Strawberry Stuffed	Mini Maple Waffles	Warm Muffin w/Yogurt Cup				
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## Counselor Connection from Ms. Kellogg

Welcome to February! It sure has been wonderful to see the sun shining!! This week in our Social Emotional lessons students learned about expected and unexpected behaviors. Students discussed how their behavior can impact the way other people around us think and feel.

Teachers modeled an unexpected behavior by turning away from the group of students. The students shared how that made them feel and how that behavior can feel confusing.

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- Why would people feel safe and comfortable when people are doing expected behaviors in the right place?
- Why would people feel confused or unsafe if someone is doing unexpected behaviors?
- How can we model expected behaviors throughout the day to help our class feel safe and comfortable?

Students made a list of feeling words and circled the words that others might feel when people are doing what is expected. Students underlined feeling words that others might feel when people are doing things that are unexpected. Students were able to talk about the different Zones of Regulation and how expected and unexpected behaviors impacts how everyone feels.

Thank you for taking the time to have these important conversations with your child. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to reach out to me.

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

## **Duneland Night of Connection**

The journey of grief is often complex, and can leave those experiencing it with a feeling of isolation. Indeed, the relationship between a person and one that has passed is unique to just those two individuals. Within the realm of loss, a special population emerges of children who have lost a parent during their formative years. Duneland Schools recognize this significant group within our student body.

For many, opportunities and resources to connect those who have or are still experiencing grief are limited. Through a valuable partnership with the VNA Phoenix Center, Duneland has been working to bring those opportunities to our students experiencing the loss of a parent or primary caregiver. As a result of that collaboration, there has been interest in a larger group event. The theme of "you are not alone" for students to be able to interact with and connect with others who have had an unfortunate similar connective experience of the death of a parent can bring healing and hope to remove some feeling of isolation. This concept is beneficial for both older and younger students alike.

If your family/child has experienced a loss of a parent, we extend a heartfelt invitation to join us for a special event - the "Night of Connection". On Saturday, February 10th, the Duneland School Counseling department will host an evening in the Chesterton High School cafeteria, offering pizza, salad and dessert, followed by tickets to the Chesterton High School boys basketball game. The evening starts at 6:00 p.m. with the CHS boys basketball game starting at 7:00 p.m.

We understand the challenges that come with such experiences, and our aim is to provide a welcoming environment for healing and connection. If you have any questions or would like further

information, please reach out to Maureen Hurst, Westchester Intermediate School Counselor, at (219) 983-3710 ext. 6103 or <a href="mailto:mhurst@duneland.k12.in.us">mhurst@duneland.k12.in.us</a>.

If your family would like to attend the Night of Connection. Please fill out the following Google Form: (Please RSVP by 2/6/24)

Night of Connection

## **Bailly PTO News**

Please review the PTO's newsletter which came home with students this week! The PTO has an upcoming family event, Movie Night, scheduled for March 1st!

All Strack's receipts are due to be turned in by March 31, 2024 - thank you for sending these in so we can turn them into points toward school & playground supplies!



The next PTO Meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2024 at 2:40 PM. We hope to see you there!

## Congrats to our Bailly Robotics Teams!

The Bailly Robotics team did a great job representing Bailly on Saturday at the Chesterton IQ Full Volume Robotics Tournament. There were 48 teams in the competition.

- Team A, the Wonder Bots made up of Roxanne I., Maggie M., Jacqueline P., and Hailie Z. ended up in 21st place, with 36.33 as their average score.
- Team D, TANK, made up of Gideon B., Leo C., David F. and Jonathan M. finished in 22nd place with 35.83 as their average score. This team was the top elementary team in skills and finished 9th overall with a score of 40.
- Team B, The Prickly Pineapples, made up of Jace B., Alice G., Louie H., and Kennedy S. finished 26th with 34.5 as their average score.
- Team E, The Great Bots of Fire, made up of Gio F., Julian L., Adam S., Noa T., and Leighton Z. finished 29th with an average score of 33.67.
- Team F, The GOATS, made up of Nathan B., Xander B., Kaden E., Nolan H., and Noah S. finished 34th with an average score of 30.67.
- Team C, the Porcupine Pandas, made up of Brooklyn E., Max G., Morgen H., and Hayley L finished 35th with an average score of 30.17.



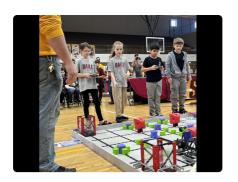


















Teacher & Employee of the Year Nominations



Help the Duneland School Corporation celebrate the outstanding teachers and employees that make up this district. Each year, DSC conducts the Teacher and Employee of the Year Recognition Program with the mission of inspiring and celebrating those in the education industry.

Nominations will be accepted for the following categories:

- Elementary Teacher- Grades K-6
- Secondary Teacher- Grades 7-12
- Employee of the Year- Classified Staff Employee

Students, former students, parents, colleagues, administrators, or members of the community may nominate DSC teachers and/or classified employees. There is no limit to the number of teachers or classified employees a person may nominate. Please complete a separate nomination form for each teacher and/or classified employee you wish to nominate. Click here to read the rules and to access the nomination forms

### 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**

- 1. Students are permitted to enter the building at 7:40. School starts at 8:00.
- 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!





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# YOUTH TALENT SHOWCASE

\$100 Prize for Each Division winner
Trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place in each Division
Medals for all participants!

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March 6th or 7th, 2024
Entry forms available online - due March 1st

Auditions required for participation

Scan here or Enter at https://www.dunelandexchangeclub.com/talent-show

Proceeds benefit the Natural Helpers program at Chesterton High School

## 2024-2025 School Day Start & End Times

At the January 8th School Board meeting, the following school start and end times were approved for the 2024-2025 school year.

- Elementary (K-4) 7:30 2:20
- High School (9-12) 8:10 3:10
- Intermediate/Middle (5-8) 8:50 3:50

## Procedures for Delaying/Closing School

Please review the procedures for school closings and/or delays that may occur due to inclement weather. The decision to close school and engage in a 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

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!**



## DUNELAND SCHOOL CLINIC

**CHESTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL** 

651 W. MORGAN AVE. DOOR 7

#### **SERVICES INCLUDE:**

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

## ACCESS TO CARE WITHOUT HAVING TO LEAVE SCHOOL

#### **HOURS**

Mon: 6:30am - 2:30pm Tue: 7:00am - 3:00pm Wed: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Thu: 6:30am - 2:30pn Fri: 7:00am - 3:00pm SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR BOTH STUDENTS & STAFF IN-PERSON OR VIA TELEHEALTH



#### **PROVIDER**

**SHAWN KROFT, FNP-BC** 

Family Nurse Practitioner

Shawn spent 12 years in several different nursing positions from floor nursing in the hospital, home and acute dialysis to adolescent behavioral health. She decided to become a nurse practitioner so she could better serve her patients.

Shawn has been married to her husband for over 28 years and they have 2 amazing grown sons who both graduated from Duneland Schools. Shawn's husband grew up in Duneland Schools, and they have been members of the Duneland Community the majority of their 28 plus years together. She loves hiking, crocheting, reading, cooking, building things, sewing, gardening, sketching, and spending time with her family and friends.



Website: https://www.duneland.k12.in.us/bailly

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