

# Friday Note 12/2/2016

Please make sure to send your child to school with proper clothing for the weather conditions. All students go outside for recess unless the temperature or wind chill is below zero. Hats/headbands, gloves/mittens, winter boots, and warm jackets are all needed for “wintery” weather and snow pants are suggested for younger students.



Since winter is starting to set in, we wanted to remind you of the ways you can find out if there is a delay, cancellation, or early dismissal. We notify the following radio stations: WJMS/WIMI and WUPM, and TV stations: Fox 21, TV6 (Marquette-[www.uppermichiganssource.com/closings](http://www.uppermichiganssource.com/closings)), and KBJR (Duluth-[www.northlandsnewscenter.com](http://www.northlandsnewscenter.com)). We also send out an automated call from School Reach that will usually show up on caller ID as Bessemer Area Schools. We will also try to update our Facebook page.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO NOTIFY THE SCHOOL OF ALL TELEPHONE NUMBER OR ADDRESS CHANGES. The correct number to call for the Washington School office/secretary, especially for attendance related issues, is 906-663-4515. Messages left at any other number may cause delayed notification of your child's absence and they will be marked as unexcused.**

The next PTO popcorn sale will be on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The cost is 50¢ per bag.

We will once again be having a Santa Shoppe this year. This is a privately supplied shop with items that are very similar to what was offered last year. The Shoppe will be open in the old Washington School library from 9:30am-2:30pm on Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Students will be able to purchase items at a great price reduction for their family members. It is also open to families of our students.

If anyone is able to volunteer to come in and help with the shopping/packaging, please let us know.



The Washington School Vocal Christmas Concert will be held on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. The main performance will once again be at 1:00 pm with a dress rehearsal at 9:00 am that you are welcome to attend if you are unable to attend in the afternoon.

The Band Concert for Grades 5-12 will be held on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> in the AD Johnston High School gym at 7:00 pm.

Now that Elementary Basketball has started again, we would like to remind you that if your child is here for practice or a game, they are to stay in the gym or on the first floor and not wander around the school. Also, younger students who are not on a team should not be in the school at all after school. It is not the coaches' responsibility to supervise children who are not on their teams and players cannot concentrate on their coach's instructions if they are watching a sibling.

**Please remember to have your child(ren) at their normal bus stop at least 5-10 minutes earlier than their “normal” busing time. There may be incidences where one or more students who normally get picked up before your child are not picked up and this could cause the bus to run early. Also, please remember that in the winter months, buses may run later than normal due to road conditions.**

**GOCAA HeadStart has asked us to notify you that they still have openings available for income eligible children aged 3-5. If you have any questions, please call Stephanie at 906-663-4302 extension 10.**

**TruNorth – empower Program is holding an educational session regarding home energy efficiency problems for interested homeowners on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm EST. The meeting will be held at the Bergland ISD building at 202 Elm Street in Bergland and will be held weather permitting.**

**Christmas Break will begin on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> this year. The last day of classes will be Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Classes resume on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.**