

Friday Note 3/24/2017

Pick-up for the Little Caesar's Pizza Kit fundraisers is scheduled for Tuesday, March 28th from 5-7 pm in the Washington School cafeteria. This pick-up is for the families of the students who participated in the fundraiser to pick up what their child sold. Families are responsible for delivery to the people who purchased from their child.



We have started a new initiative in our school district to recognize and honor one of our teachers and one of our support staff members each year. There will be two separate awards titled "Award for Excellence & Innovation in Teaching" and "Award for Excellence in Staff Services" respectively. Nominations may originate from administrators, individual faculty, staff, parents or students. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominations should clearly identify and document how the nominee meets each of the criteria listed above using the corresponding nomination form. Both forms and instructions can be found on our Facebook page or our school district web page at: www.bessemer.k12.mi.us.

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be formatted differently this spring. In the past, all parents have attended spring conferences, however, this spring will be different. You will be notified either by a note or phone call, from your child's teacher, whether or not there will be a conference for your child. If you feel a need to meet with your child's teacher, always feel free to contact the teacher and set up a conference. This format is only for the spring conferences. Thank you for sending us such great kids to school.

The Mobile Dentist will be back at our school on Monday, April 17th. Permission slips were sent home this week. Please fill them out and return them by March 31st if you would like your child to be seen.



The next regularly scheduled Bessemer Area Schools Board of Education meeting will be held on Monday, March 27, 2017 at 6 pm in the AD Johnston Media Center.

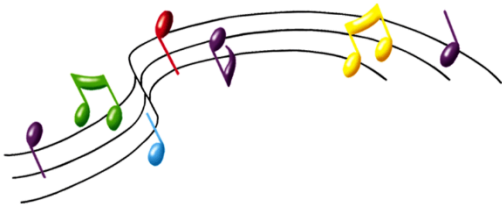
Kindergarten Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be held next Friday, March 31st from 8-11 am and 12-2:30 pm. **THERE WILL BE NO CLASSES FOR CURRENTLY ENROLLED KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS THAT DAY.** If you have a child who will be 5 years of age before September 1, 2017 and plan to enroll them in the Bessemer Area Schools for next school year, please contact Mrs. Simcoe with your contact information along with your child's name at 906-663-4515 or by email at: jsimcoe@bessemer.k12.mi.us. Registration packets will be sent out soon.

Family Wellness Night on Tuesday night was a success. We had a very nice turnout of families interested in viewing our fabulous tables with interesting health tips. Many had a taste of yoga and snacks were even available. Our awesome door prizes went out to Michaela and Sean Combs. Thank you for your support!

The winner of this year's Snowman Contest was Abigail Hellman. Abby received the most votes from the staff even though the other entries were really cute, too. She received a bag full of sports balls for a prize. Congratulations, Abigail!!

M-STEP testing will be starting immediately after Spring Break on Monday, April 10th. This is a state mandated test. The 5th grade class will be starting first this year. Please try to NOT plan any extended vacations during this time as there is a very limited time window for the testing and make-up days. If you have a vacation already

scheduled, please contact the school as soon as possible. Also, please remember that any vacations that will require your child to miss more than five (5) school days must be pre-approved by the superintendent, Mr. Radovich in writing.



The Spring Vocal Concert for Washington School Students will be on Friday, May 19th. The main performance is at 1:00 pm with a dress rehearsal at 9:00 am that you are welcome to attend if you can't make it in the afternoon.

The Band Concert and Spring Art Exhibit will be held on Friday, April 21st in the AD Johnston Jr/Sr. High School Gym. The concert begins at 7:00 pm and the art exhibit will be in place prior to, during, and after the band performance.

If you have any questions regarding the May 2nd Bessemer Area Schools Bond proposal vote, please refer to our website at www.bessemer.k12.mi.us. We will also be posting some information on our Facebook page or you may contact Superintendent Dave Radovich by phone at 906-667-0802 or by email at: dradovich@bessemer.k12.mi.us.



REMINDER: The deadline to be registered to vote in the next election is quickly approaching. You must be registered at least 30 days prior to an election in order to be eligible to vote in that election. To vote in the May 2nd school election, you must be registered by March 31. Michigan law does not allow you to register on-line. You can also Google "Michigan voter registration form" and print a form if needed. Completed forms can be turned in to: City of Bessemer - Jim Trudgeon (for city residents) or Bessemer Township - (Ramsay and other township residents) - Deb Janczak.

There will be early dismissal for students in the Bessemer Area Schools on Tuesday, March 28th due to Parent/Teacher Conferences at Washington School. Dismissal will be at 11:17 and buses will run their normal routes.

Spring Break for the Bessemer Area Schools Students is April 3rd-7th this year. There will also be no school on Friday, April 14th.

