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January 9, 2020



Jan. 13—Good News Club
4:05-5:30

Jan. 14—Boys basketball
practice 4:15-5:15

Jan. 15—2nd grade field
trip

Jan. 15—Boys basketball
practice 4:15-5:15

Jan. 16—Boys basketball
practice

**Jan. 20—No school in
honor of Martin Luther
King day**

**Jan. 21—Early Childhood
work day. No Head Start
or PK classes on this day**

Jan. 21—Martial Arts class
4:15-4:45

Jan. 21—Boys basketball
practice 4:15-5:15

Jan. 22—Boys basketball
practice

Jan. 23—Martial Arts class
4:15-4:45



CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT:

Miss Bratka ~ 4th Grade

The fourth graders in room 110 worked hard all first semester. We cannot believe that the year is already half way over! In math, we have been working hard all year long on our multiplication and division facts. We are now learning more about fractions and decimals!

During first semester in writing, the students wrote a personal narrative and a fiction story. This semester, we will be working on nonfiction, opinion writing and poetry! The students are really looking forward to the poetry unit at the end of the year. We just ended our science unit on different types waves and energy, so we will start up again with social studies where we learn about Nebraska's history.

Our fourth graders will be gearing up to take the MAP test next week! The MAP test is an adaptive achievement test that the fourth graders will take in reading, math and science. They take it in the fall, winter and spring. We are all very excited to see how much they've grown since the fall and to see if we reached our classroom goals!

Kindergarten Round-Up!

Thursday, January 30, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Items necessary for registration are birth certificate, immunization records, proof of address (M.U.D., O.P.P.D., Cox Cable or lease/purchase agreement).





Warm Heart Wednesday!

Student: Adrewnae Hollingsworth

Nominated by: Ms. West

Adrewnae consistently uses her hands and words for helping. She is always lending a helping hand in the classroom, for me as well as her classmates. Adrewnae is very supportive of her peers and motivates everyone to do their best. She is always offering encouraging advice or kind words to those that need it. Adrewnae is an excellent role model, who takes much pride in using her hands and words for helping.



SPECIAL EVENTS AT BOYD ELEMENTARY

Boyd special events take place the last day of school week even when the special day occurs earlier in the week. Students should return to their classroom and check out with their teacher or office when leaving before dismissal with a parent/guardian or another adult authorized to pick up per the student info packet.

Boyd host many all school special events each year. These special events include, but are not limited to music programs, BBQ and Field Day, Fall Festival and Valentine's Day. Special events are planned by the Boyd Staff and aim to build fellowship and a sense of community.

No food treats or balloons should be brought to school. Only nonfood items, i.e. pencils, stickers or erasers should be brought to celebrate as food items and balloons take time from instruction and are unsafe for some students and staff.

Thank you for adhering to the policy as it aligns directly with the Boyd and OPS Wellness Plan.

SCHOOL CHOICE FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

January 2020, starts the annual school choice application process for the 2020-21 school year. Students enrolled in a transition grade (last grade at the current school), will receive a school choice application.

The Omaha Public School’s Student Assignment Plan for elementary and middle school students called the Partner Plan (grades K-8) consists of eight (8) elementary partner zones and four (4) middle school partner zones within the district. Your residential address and corresponding neighborhood school determine your partner zone. A student’s residence and distance to school determines transportation eligibility. **If you have had a change of address, please contact your child’s school immediately as this could impact your Partner Zone and transportation eligibility.**

Elementary Partner Zone 1	Elementary Partner Zone 2	Elementary Partner Zone 3	Elementary Partner Zone 4
Belvedere PK-5 Florence K-5 Fullerton PK-4 Masters K-5 Prairie Wind K-5 Saddlebrook PK-5 Wakonda PK-5	Boyd PK-5 Lothrop PK-4 Miller Park PK-5 Minne Lusa PK-5 Pinewood PK-5 Ponca K-5 Sherman PK-5 Springville K-5	Benson West K-5 Central Park PK-5 Dodge PK-5 Hartman PK-5 Mount View PK-5 Rose Hill K-5 Western Hills K-6	Adams K-5 Druid Hill PK-5 Fontenelle PK-5 King PK-5 Picotte PK-4 Skinner PK-5 Standing Bear PK-4 Sunny Slope PK-5
<i>Wilson Focus will continue as a District wide Specialty School. Families may apply to Wilson Focus starting in grade three. Applications available through the website at wilsonfocus.ops.org or by calling the school at 531-299-2260.</i>			
Elementary Partner Zone 5	Elementary Partner Zone 6	Elementary Partner Zone 7	Elementary Partner Zone 8
Belle Ryan PK-6 Catlin K-5 Dundee K-6 Field Club PK-5 Jackson PK-6 Liberty PK-6 Walnut Hill PK-6 Washington PK-6	Conestoga PK-6 Edison PK-5 Franklin PK-6 Gifford Park K-6 Harrison PK-6 Joslyn PK-5 Kellom PK-6 Kennedy PK-5	Ashland Park/Robbins PK-6 Beals PK-6 Crestridge K-5 Gateway PK-6 Highland PK-6 Indian Hill PK-6 Jefferson K-6 Oak Valley PK-5	Bancroft PK-6 Castelar PK-5 Chandler View PK-6 Columbian PK-5 Gilder K-6 Gomez Heritage PK-4 Pawnee PK-6 Spring Lake PK-4

Middle School Partner Zones

Zone 1: Davis (6-8), Hale (6-8), King Science* (5-8), McMillan (6-8)

Zone 2: Alice Buffett (5-8), King Science* (5-8), Monroe (6-8), Morton (6-8)

Zone 3: Beveridge^ (6-8), King Science* (5-8), Lewis & Clark (6-8), Norris (6-8)

Zone 4: Beveridge^ (6-8), Bryan (7-8), King Science* (5-8), Marrs (5-8)

***King Science** is a district magnet school and is therefore a partner school in each zone; however, students who live in the King Science neighborhood are in partner Zone 2 and only eligible for transportation to schools in that zone.

^**Beveridge** is a shared partner school in zones 3 & 4; however, students who live in the Beveridge neighborhood are in partner zone 3 and are only eligible for transportation to schools in that zone.

Visit: sap.ops.org to determine your Partner Zone and transportation eligibility.

SCHOOL CHOICE UNDER THE PARTNER PLAN

Families may apply for their child to attend any OPS school. *Approval of a request depends on the availability of space at the student's grade level in the requested school and these priorities:*

Neighborhood school (guaranteed placement).

Siblings residing within the Partner Zone are selected first, followed by siblings residing outside the Partner Zone (not eligible for transportation).

Students residing in the Partner Zone. OPS remains committed to diversity in our schools. Applications are prioritized within the Partner Zone between schools with significantly different neighborhood characteristics.

Students residing outside the Partner Zone (not eligible for transportation). Applications are prioritized for any remaining space between schools with significantly different neighborhood characteristics.

TRANSPORTATION ELIGIBILITY (The school choice application must be received by January 29, 2020)

Students are eligible for transportation IF they attend their neighborhood school and reside more than 1.0 mile from their elementary school or more than 1.5 miles from their middle school.

Students are eligible for transportation IF they attend one of their Partner Zone schools and reside more than 1.0 mile from the elementary school or 1.5 miles from the middle school.

Students are NOT eligible for transportation IF they attend any school outside of their Partner Zone.

EARLY CHILDHOOD INFORMATION

If your child is currently enrolled in an early childhood program and will be age-eligible for kindergarten for the 2020-21 school year, she/he will be enrolled at the neighborhood school. If you would like to be considered for placement at a non-neighborhood school, you must complete the school choice application that will be provided by your child's current school.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UPS will be held in January 2020. **Please attend Round-Up at your neighborhood school based on your residential address.** School Choice Applications will be available at Round-Up and throughout the month of January for families who wish to request a non-neighborhood school(s). Round-Up dates will be posted on the OPS Web page or check the date with your neighborhood school.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RECRUITMENT LETTERS will be mailed in December to families of students currently in the last grade level of their school. The purpose of the letter is to provide information about middle schools and their respective Open House dates.