Dear Boyd Beaver Family,

It's my hope this week's edition of the Boyd Beacon finds you well. Please know our joy in interacting with your students each day at beautiful Boyd Elementary! As you may have heard, Boyd Elementary will be re-locating for the 2018-19 school year to the “Mills Building” at 4301 N. 30th St.. The sole reason for re-locating is to allow a substantial renovation to the original Boyd Elementary built in 1961. We believe re-locating will allow for continued high quality instruction in an environment that is safe for all stakeholders.

The renovation brings many exciting features to Boyd Elementary including an addition changing the shape of the building from a “U” shape to a square shape, additional classrooms, increased student and staff restrooms, new windows, key-swipe secure entry at all doors, a central air conditioning system, and much more! While re-locating may be unsettling, please know we are happy to answer all questions to ensure a positive transition. After all, Boyd Elementary is home, but it is only a structure. It’s the wonderful people of Boyd, including our students-your children-parents, and staff that make it a great place! Therefore, while the structure of the building will be different by moving to the “Mills building”, know the great people will be the same! For planning purposes, our phone number will also be the same, 402-572-8928. Boyd Elementary will utilize the South entrance at the “Mills Building” as the school main entrance. If you are interested in visiting the “Mills Building” prior to the 2018-19 school year please call Florence Elementary located at the “Mills Building” 531-299-1400. Mr. Hoeck, Florence Principal has offered to open the doors in partnership with Boyd Elementary for scheduled visitation appointments.

We look forward to moving the Boyd traditions, especially the hearts of our Boyd Beavers, to the “Mills Building” while our existing structure gets an update for an enhanced learning environment all stakeholders deserve.

Thanks for staying the course with us on the journey, it’s always a pleasure. Have a great rest of your day and as we say at Boyd, Go, Beavers!

Scott M. Hilger
Assistant Principal
Boyd
Field Day

Make plans to join us on Wednesday, May 23 for Boyd’s Annual Field Day and BBQ

Primary Grades Field Day Activities from 9:00-11:55
Head Start, Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grades, ACP (Pentile)

Lunch Times
BBQ
Head Start – 11:15
Kindergarten – 11:20
4th Grade – 11:40
5th Grade – 11:50
1st Grade – 12:00
2nd Grade – 12:15
ACP – 12:20
3rd Grade – 12:30

Intermediate Grades Field Day Activities from 11:55-3:00
3rd, 4th & 5th Grades
ACP (Wellandary)
Warm Heart Wednesdays!
Student: Praneam Rai
Nominated by: Mrs. Hollendieck and Ms. Lor 05/07/18

Praneam and another student wanted to drop off something in Ms. Lor’s room before school. When they went into her room, she was not there and no one else was in the classroom. Praneam and the other student placed the item on her table and noticed some candy laying on Ms. Lor’s table. The other student wanted to take some candy since there was no one around to see them take it. However, Praneam stopped the other student from taking the candy and said, “That is not how we roll.” Then he left the classroom with the other student. The students did not think anyone was watching and Praneam decided to use his hands and words for helping. Praneam is a perfect example of our Warm Heart Pledge and the 5 B’s! I am so proud to say he is my student!

CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT:
MRS. BULLARD, Kindergarten, Rm. 100

Mrs. Bullard’s Kindergarten students have learned so many new things this year. In Math, we are working in our last chapter on classifying and sorting data. In Reading, we have mastered letter recognition as well as new sight words. It is so exciting to see all of our students learning to read. In Science, we recently learned about the earth and sky. In Social Studies, we enjoyed learning about careers and community helpers.

We are looking forward to the last few weeks of school as we prepare to become first graders. We hope to see you at our BBQ and Field Day activities on Wednesday, May 23!

TRANSPORTATION/CHANGE OF ADDRESS REMINDER FOR PARENTS!

If you have recently had a change of address, please notify the school as soon as possible. In order for us to make an address change in the system, a proof of address is required. For example, a utility bill such as M.U.D., O.P.P.D., Cox Cable, or lease/purchase agreement are acceptable documents. Along with the proof of address, a Student Transfer Request form also needs to be completed and returned as soon as possible. These forms may be obtained at the office.

Any students who are transportation eligible need to have updated addresses in the system no later than June 15, 2018 in order to be routed for transportation for the 2018-19 school year.
OPS Bonds: Past, Present and Future

1999 Bond Issue
The 1999 bond issue was the result of the Student Assignment Plan recommendation to bring students back to their neighborhood schools. The work included additional classrooms, remodeled facilities and new schools to help alleviate portable classrooms. Jefferson, Harrison, Mount View and Springfield were not originally part of the bond, but were added thanks to savings in inflation by reducing the construction schedule and the interest earned. The bond passed in May of 1999 for a total of $264 million. The owner of a $100,000 home had their taxes increase by $139/year.

Elementary Schools
- New - Druid Hill, Gormez Heritage, Liberty, Mount View in collaboration with Boys and Girls Club
- Capital Improvements - Jackson, Saratoga, Sherman and Washington
- Capital Improvements with Additions - Beals, Belvedere, Castler, Chandler View, Fontenelle, Jefferson, Harrison, Kennedy, Miller Park, Rose Hill, Springfield, Walnut and Walnut Hill

Middle Schools
- New - Buffett Magnet
- Capital Improvements with Additions - King Science and Technology Center, McMillan

Magnet and R.M. Martin Magnet
High Schools
- Additions with Building and HVAC Upgrades - Bryan, Burke, Central and Northwest Magnet
- Purchases - The Mills Building (4301 N. 30 St.) was purchased and remodeled as a temporary location for schools being remodeled under the 1999 bond and any future bond issue.

1999 Bond Fund Premium & Interest Payments - $139/year for a $100,000 Home

2014 Capital Facilities Plan Bond Issue - Phase 1
The 2014 bond issue covered scope of work outlined in Phase 1 of the 2014 Facilities Condition Assessment as a result of the District's new five-year Strategic Plan, the new Student Assignment Plan and a RIDS assessment of facility needs. The funds were used first and foremost to address fire, life safety, security and technology needs across the district to bring all schools up to current standards. In addition, the schools with the highest priority deficiencies are being renovated, including schools that lacked central air conditioning and those that were still functioning in 'open plan' concepts from the 1970s. Land was purchased to build new schools under the Phase 2 bond issue to help alleviate capacity issues and help stem the flow of students opting out to adjacent districts. The work began in December 2014 and was completed in August 2020. The bond passed in November of 2014 in the amount of $421 million. The owner of a $150,000 home had their taxes increase by $90/year.

Elementary Schools
- New - Belle Ryan, Columbian, J.P. Lord, Western Hills, Muncie, Yards
- Capital Improvements, Renovations and Additions at 'Open Plan' Schools - Franklin, Joaquin, Lothrop and Sunny Slope
- Capital Improvements and Renovations - Boyd, Crestedge, Dodge, Florence, Glinka, Hartman, Indian Hill, Oak Valley and Palo Alto
- Land Procurement - For two elementary schools in south Omaha (10th and Pine Streets and 1000 N. Fort Crook Road)
- Fire, Life Safety, Security and Technology Upgrade - All elementary schools

Middle Schools
- Capital Improvements and Renovations - Bryan and Nathan Hale
- Capital Improvements and Renovations and Additions - Beveridge Magnet and Norris
- Fire, Life Safety, Security and Technology Upgrades - All middle schools

High Schools
- Capital Improvements, Renovations - Central, North Magnet and South Magnet
- Capital Improvements, Renovations and Additions - CTE Renovation at Benson Magnet, additions at Bryan, Burke and Northwest Magnet
- Fire, Life Safety, Security and Technology Upgrades - All seven high schools and Blackburn Alternative Center
- Land Procurement - For two high schools - one in south Omaha (90th and L Streets) and one in northwestern Omaha (160th and Ida Streets)

2014 Bond Fund Premium & Interest Payments - $90/year for a $150,000 Home

2014 Capital Facilities Plan Bond Issue - Phase 2 (2018 Bond)
The proposed 2018 bond issue would cover the scope of work outlined in Phase 2 of the 2014 Facilities Condition Assessment, which will alleviate capacity issues the District is experiencing in high growth areas of the city. It will also address items listed as priority one through three in DLR's 2018 Facilities Condition Assessment presented to the Board of Education in August 2017. The facilities assessment has allowed OPS to refine capital improvement scopes of work to focus on critical component replacement and develop a schedule of the District's needs moving forward. The proposed bond issue will be placed before the voters in May of 2018 in the amount of $409.9 million. The owner of a $150,000 home would have their taxes increase $105/year.

Between May 2017 and December 2017, OPS and Jacobs shared with the Board of Education, Steering Committee, Citizen Bond Oversight Committee and the community details regarding the size, scope and timing of the Phase 2 bond program, which is summarized below. For detailed information regarding the proposed 2018 bond and the current 2014 bond program, please go to bond.ops.org.

Elementary Schools
- New - 1000 N. Fort Crook Road - South Omaha; 10th and Pine Streets - South Omaha
- Capital Improvements and Renovations - Adams, Caith Magnet, Conestoga and Martin Luther King Jr.
- Capital Improvement, Renovations and Additions - Edison, Highland, Mastics, Pinewood and Spring Lake Magnet

Middle Schools
- New - 42nd and U Streets - South Omaha
- Capital Improvements, Renovations and Additions - Lewis & Clark and Morton Magnet

2014 Bond Fund Premium & Interest Payments - $105/year for a $150,000 Home

OPS Bond Fund (25-year Amortization Schedule)

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* P&I = Principal & Interest