



Bloomfield Elementary School News October 2021

School Hours:

Parent and bus drop off begins at 7:45 AM. Students participate in walk and talk as soon as they arrive. When the 8:00 bells ring they go to their classrooms and begin eating breakfast or completing morning work. The instructional day begins at 8:15 AM. Students are late for school if they arrive after 8:15 AM. Most teachers start the day with a morning meeting unless the class has art, music, physical education, or library. This includes reviewing the daily schedule and any changes for the day. Parents/guardians should pick up at 2:12 PM. Buses are called beginning at 2:15 PM. The **whole** school day is important.

Words of the Week:

Each week a word of the week is introduced to the school community through the daily announcements. This year's words all relate to social-emotional learning and trauma informed awareness. The following words have been introduced so far: growth, connection, kind, care, caring, help, and helpful.

Monthly Whole School Meetings

One Friday of each month the whole school assembles through Zoom for a Whole School Meeting. The purpose of these meetings is to build and maintain a safe and welcoming school community. Each meeting follows a consistent agenda including a Mindful Moment, Greeting, Birthday Recognition, Selection of Who Slip Golden Ticket winners, and Closing with our school song. Our next whole school meeting will be on Friday, October 29, 2021 at 1:40 PM.

Parent Group

The Parent Group usually meets the first Tuesday of every month from 5:00-6:00 PM through Zoom. Any parent that would like to help improve the Bloomfield Elementary experience and community is encouraged to attend. This month the meeting has been changed to Tuesday, October 12th. This meeting will be to discuss the Free Fall Family Fun Festival that will tentatively take place on Friday, October 22nd.

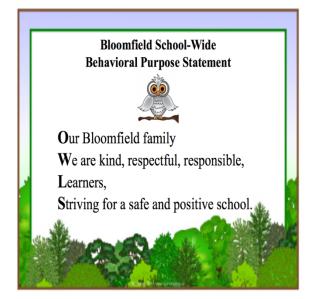


Upcoming Dates and Events:

Friday, October 8: No School- Teacher Workshop Day Monday, October 11: No School- Indigenous People's Day Thursday, October 14: School Picture Day October 18-22: Bloomfield Elementary Fire Safety Week Thursday, November 11: No School-Veteran's Day Monday, November 22: 8:00-6:00 PM Parent-Teacher Conferences November 22-26: No School- Conferences, Workshop and Thanksgiving Break

Positive Behavior Support Intervention (PBIS) at Bloomfield:

We are working on being clear with our expectations. I've inserted our Bloomfield School-Wide Behavioral Purpose Statement and Owl Expectations on the next page. This year we will work on making sure staff, students, parents and community members understand and can share our purpose. We will be recognizing when students are making good choices about their behavior. You may hear your child talk about Who Slips. Students get Who Slips when they are caught showing kindness, respect, responsibility and being safe. Student Who Slips are entered into a weekly drawing for a small prize. Once per month four student names from each grade are drawn for a lunch or activity with a special guest. The work we are doing is based on a nationally recognized effort called Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS).



Bloomfield Elementary Owl Expectations In all settings: Listen to and follow directions. Respond quickly to quiet signal. Wear masks. Stay in our 3 feet-6 feet spaces. Keep our hands clean.							
Last Updated 8/16/19	Arrival and Dismissal	Hallway & Stairway	Cafeteria	Playground	Bathroom	Assemblies	Bus
Be Safe	Ask permission before leaving your group. Keep hands, feet, and things to yourself.	Walk to the right with your eyes ahead. Keep hands, feet, and things to yourself.	 Use walking feet. Eat your own food. Ask permission before leaving your group. 	Play safely with others. Use equipment correctly. Stay within playground boundaries.	 Ask permission to use the bathroom. Wash your hands when you are done. Go directly to and from where you need to be. 	 Stay with your class, in your space. Ask permission before leaving your group. 	Sit down quickly. Stay seated at face forward. Keep hands, feet, and thing in your own space.
Be Respectful and Kind	•Use voice level 0-2.	 Enjoy the work of others with your eyes only. Use quiet walking feet. Use voice level 0 in line and on stairs. 	 Keep your food, body, and things in your own space. Use good manners and be kind. Use voice level 0-2. 	Be kind. Take turns. Include others.	•Knock before entering. •Use voice level 0-1.	Be a polite listener. Show appropriate appreciation.	Be kind. Use voice lev 0-2. Share the seat
Be Responsible	Keep things in your backpack. Use walking feet.	 Walk directly to where you need to be. Keep the hallway clean. 	Raise your hand if you need help. Clean up after yourself.	Dress appropriately for the weather. Line up when bell rings. Put playground equipment away.	•Flush the toilet. •Clean up after yourself.	•Use walking feet.	 Clean up after yourself. Keep things in your space. Tell the drivet there is a problem.

As part of our work with PBIS, we are asking parents to take a short survey. The results of the survey will help us continue to improve your child's experience at Bloomfield Elementary. Please take 3-5 minutes to complete the survey by clicking on the link below or scanning the barcode: <u>https://www.pbisassessment.org/Anon/zmW104mzGy00</u>



You should have received an invitation from the Assistant Superintendent, Mark Hatch, concerning signing your child up to be a part of Covid-19 pooled testing at Bloomfield. Only students with permission from their parent/guardian will be included in this testing. Testing will take place on Tuesdays at Bloomfield. Results should be available on Thursdays. Pooled testing is a way for individuals without symptoms to be diagnosed early which will help reduce community spread. Also, students that are part of pooled testing do not have to quarantine unless they have a positive result or are showing symptoms.

I appreciate your support and flexibility as Bloomfield Elementary works to provide the safest environment possible in the current climate. On that note, please drive slowly and remember to use the turn-around just past the one story KVCAP building, when dropping off and picking up your child.

Respectfully,

Jean M. Pillsbury Principal