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Weekly Updates From the Desk of:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2/19 - No School, Presidents Day
- 2/22 - 7th grade Parent meeting for 8th grade Washington DC Trip, Bethel Hall 7pm
- 2/28 - 6th grade Gifted Testing
- 3/5 - PTO Meeting, Multi-purpose Rm 7pm
- 3/14 - Winter Athletics Awards, HS Gym 6pm
- 3/15 - MS Spring Band/Choir Concert, Bethel Hall 6:30pm (this is a date change)
- 3/16 - 2hr Early Release; End of 3rd Quarter
- 3/23 - Grade Cards go home
- 3/26 - 3/30 - SPRING BREAK

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

7th Grade Parent Meeting - 8th Grade Washington DC Trip Info!!!

- 7:00pm - Bethel Hall
 - Please enter the HIVE entrance at the back of the building.
 - Doors will open at 6:50.
- Mr. Endres will be providing parents with IMPORTANT information regarding next year's Washington DC trip.
- All 7th graders intending to go on the trip MUST HAVE A PARENT AT THE MEETING!
- If you cannot attend the meeting, please email or call Mr. Endres prior to the meeting.
 - endresc@bethelk12.org
 - 937.845.9430 ext. 13050

BOX TOPS - Keep Clipping!!!

- Last turn-in date is February 23rd.
- See attached letter and list for all qualifying purchases
- Whoever brings in the most box tops for their grade level will receive a prize!
- Don't forget to put your name on the bag!!!

MUSE MACHINE TICKETS - PHANTOM OF THE OPERA

- Muse Machine members can purchase tickets for the Phantom of the Opera on April 19th at 8pm at the Schuster Center.
- Tickets are \$30
- The plan is to take a bus and eat before the performance.

JAZZ BAND DANCE - SAT. FEB 24th

- Bethel Music Boosters, Inc., with the help of Mr. Spears and the Bethel Jazz Band, will be hosting the 5th Annual Jazz Band Dance on February 24th in Bethel Hall

PARENT QUICK-GUIDE to SCHOOL SAFETY

- Attached to the end of this document, you will find the Parent quick-guide to student safety.
- Outline of Communication Protocols during a school emergency.

MS ATHLETICS

Winter Athletics Awards

- Tuesday, March 13 - HS Gym, 6:00pm
- Please contact your child's coach for more details

PINK-OUT for BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL

- Pink out for the men's varsity basketball game Sat. Feb.17th.
- T-Shirts on sale starting Tues. Feb.6th at lunch in Bethel Hall. The cost is \$10.00 each.

Spring Sports Athletic Pictures

- Thursday, March 15 - 3:00pm
- Picture packets will be passed out to athletes at practice

ATTENTION PARENTS, IF YOU ARE BRINGING IN FOOD/SNACKS/DRINKS FOR AN AFTER SCHOOL ATHLETIC EVENT, PLEASE DO SO AFTER THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY WHICH IS 2:35. THE ITEMS CAN BE DIRECTLY TAKEN TO BETHEL HALL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS MATTER.

VOLLEYBALL WEIGHTLIFTING: Any 8th grader who is NOT currently in a winter sport, and who wants to tryout for the high school volleyball team in the fall is encouraged to participate in weightlifting from 3:15-4:30pm. Please see Coach Siebenaller with any questions.

PHYSICALS - All students wanting to participate in a school sport (grades 7 & 8 for Middle School) MUST have a current physical on file in the athletic office in order to participate in tryouts.

SCHEDULES Check the Athletic Webpage for all Winter Athletics game schedules.

Continue to check the Athletics Webpage and Calendar on the District Webpage for athletic information, practice and game schedules.

OTHER UPDATES

REGISTER YOUR EMAIL - for Weekly Updates & Newsletters

- To receive school updates and newsletters directly to your email, look for the “SUBSCRIBE HERE” link on the Middle School Webpage to register your email address and choose from the following (you may choose more than one):
 - Superintendent’s Newsletter
 - Elementary Weekly Updates
 - Middle School Weekly Updates
 - High School Principal Updates



PARENTS’ QUICK GUIDE to SCHOOL SAFETY COMMUNICATION PROTOCOLS

Bethel Local School District has specific safety procedures and protocols coordinated with town personnel and local safety officials to cover a host of local emergencies. The District’s Safety Team meets several times a year with local officials to review and update procedures. These plans are not posted publicly as much of the information is pertinent only to school personnel and local safety officials. In addition, we believe that certain security measures must remain confidential to only these people.

In an effort to strengthen school safety information while not divulging specific security information, we are listing for you the specific safety protocols with the methods of communication that parents would receive in the event of implementing a specific plan. Please see your child’s building principal if you have specific questions regarding these procedures.

EMERGENCY DRILL	Methods of Notifying Students	Methods for Informing Parents
<p>SECURITY SITUATION This is a partial lockdown procedure when the general school population is not threatened, but there is an emergency involving a student or a small group of students. <i>(An example would be a student medical/behavior emergency or loss of power in the building)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The building principal or designee would announce a security situation via the school intercom. 	<p>We would not usually be communicated this to parents unless it resulted in a more serious emergency causing a long disruption to the school day.</p>
<p>INTRUDER or LOCKDOWN DRILL This refers to a complete LOCKDOWN PROCEDURE or actual danger threatens the safety of the school population; students could be dispersed to different locations per procedures. <i>(An example would be a threatening intruder in the building)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The building safety designee would announce a total security situation via the school intercom. • Superintendent or building safety designee would be responsible for media releases. 	<p>Parents would be notified via ONE CALL if a TOTAL SECURITY SITUATION occurred. Specific instructions would be provided for student pick-up and location.</p>
<p>BUILDING EVACUATION The building evacuation protocol is to be followed in the event that the school must be immediately evacuated and children sent to a different location.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The building safety designee would announce a building evacuation via the school intercom. • Superintendent or building safety designee would be responsible for media releases. 	<p>Parents would be notified via ONE CALL if a building evacuation occurs with specific instructions for student pick-up and location.</p>
<p>BOMB THREAT Building evacuation procedures would be followed as directed by the police department.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The building safety designee would announce a building evacuation via the intercom. • Students would go to designated areas on the grounds to wait further instructions. 	<p>Parents would be notified via ONE CALL if a building evacuation occurred with specific instructions for student pick-up and location.</p>
<p>FIRE EVACUATION These procedures are implemented whenever the fire alarm is activated.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fire alarm is activated. 	<p>This would not usually be communicated to parents unless it resulted in a more serious emergency causing a long disruption to the school day.</p>