



DISTRICT NEWS BRIEF & UPDATES

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Mission: Inspire learning

Vision: Engaging and ❤️ (valuing/caring) for our families, students and staff to empower our community.

Dear Bellevue Union School District Families and Staff,

Happy Mother's Day!

Our first weeks back to In-Person Learning has brought smiling faces and a sense of renewal for us all. Each and every day we are improving services for our students as we adjust back to campus life.

The Bellevue Union School District continues our work in the development of a new District Learning Plan. This three year plan will incorporate our annual Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)/Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO) grant plan, and other district funds to implement a robust and comprehensive Learning Recovery Program.

The momentous task of returning to In-Person learning is now behind us and our planning for extending learning opportunities and the 2021-2022 school year lies ahead. Our recently formed Learning Steering Committee continues the work on our ***District Learning Plan which*** will explain how our school district will use the funds it receives through the Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO) Grant, Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), and other district funds to implement a robust and comprehensive ***Learning Recovery Program***.

All slide presentations for the meetings are posted on our website. In addition, we are currently planning for summer school. More information will be available soon.

Please note the instructional calendar for the 2021-22 School Calendar has been approved by our board. This board approved calendar has been formatted into a community calendar draft [Calendar Link](#). Please note there will be revisions to these calendars as details are finalized.

West County Transportation Agency has posted the regular education routes here: [Bus Routes](#)

SCHOOL SITE SUPPORT:

Bellevue: Nina Craig, Principal

Registration for 2021-22 School Year Open! Complete it online, call, or come by the office!

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

Combined ELAC and Site Council May 21st 11:30am

Food Pantry and Weekly Meals Wednesdays 11:30-12:30

Office hours: Monday-Friday 8:00-4:00

Email Principal Craig ncraig@busd.org Office Manager, Karina kmartinez@busd.org Parent Liaison, Amy aflorescasares@busd.org with any questions.

Kawana Springs: Denise McCullough, Principal

Kindergarten Registration is open! Register online or stop by our office today!

We have openings for Special Education Instructional Assistants, Student Supervisor and Bilingual Literacy Paraprofessional- please email Principal McCullough or call the office if interested! 545-4283

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

Joint ELAC and Site Council Meeting- May 27 2:45 p.m.

6th grade Drive-by Promotion- June 2 12:30 p.m.

Office hours- Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00 p.m.

LAST Food Pantry of the school year- May 26, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

You may email or call Principal McCullough dmccullough@busd.org, Office Manager Susy Bradley sbradley@busd.org, or Parent Liaison Angelina Estrada astrada@busd.org with any questions.

Meadow View: Jean Walker, Principal

Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year is Open! Register online, call or stop by our office today!

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

Grab n Go meals Wednesday 11:30-1:30

Food Pantry- Wednesday 11:30-1:00

Office hours: Monday- Friday 8:00-4:00 pm

Please call the office or if you have questions email; Principal Walker jwalker@busd.org, Office Manager Natali Ramirez nramirez@busd.org, Office Assistant- Isabel Luna, imluna@busd.org, or Parent Liaison Paula Hernandez phernandez@busd.org.

Taylor Mountain: Margaret Jacobson, Principal

We are so excited to see our in-person students on campus. Don't forget...Wednesday is distance learning for all (no on-campus classes except Cool School). Our new Parent Liaison is Lilia Hueramo. Her first day is on Tuesday and she looks forward to meeting you: the students and families of our Hawk community!

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

Grab n Go meals Wednesday 10:30 am-1:30 pm

Food Pantry Every Wednesday 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Office hours: Monday - Friday 8:00am-4pm. Masks and social distancing required for the safety of all.

Please call or stop by with questions: 542-3671; Principal Margaret Jacobson mjacobson@busd.org; Office Manager Julie Roza jroza@busd.org, Office Asst. Hope Leon hleon@busd.org

Learning Center: Curriculum and English Learners, Aracely Romo-Flores, Director & Information Technology, Lawrence Black, Director

State Testing (SBAC) Update: Due to the challenges of the pandemic and a year of Distance Learning instruction, the California State Board of Education has given school districts the option to administer a district-adopted assessment rather than the annual state achievement test (Smarter Balanced Assessment). In Bellevue Union School District, we will be administering STAR Reading and STAR Math in grades 2-6. The STAR test takes much less time to complete and is a more viable option to administer in

a remote testing format. We are thankful to be able to use the extra time we will have by not having to participate in SBAC testing to focus on student learning, enrichment and community building as the end of the year approaches! Please be aware that the English Learner Proficiency Assessment (ELPAC) is still a requirement for English Learners, and our schools are currently on various schedules for administering it.

Learning Center:

We are open at our Learning Center office at 2641 Dutton Meadow from 8:00-4:00 for all parent support needs. English and Spanish support available.

- Email - ithelp@busd.org
- Call - 1-707-544-8164

If you are needing support to access the internet please reach out to your school offices and talk with us about your needs.

Human Resources: Siara Goyer, Director

Join the BUSD team! Applications for job opportunities and more at Bellevue Union School District can be found at Edjoin.org. Please Note: While Siara is out on Maternity Leave, Lindsay McLaughlin will be assisting in the HR office. Her email is lmclaughlin@busd.org for any HR questions or concerns.

Food Services: Kayla Todd, Food Program Manager

Curbside meal pick is Wednesday every week.

Please note that the meals are “grab and go” and will include 5 days worth of meals.

School lunches are **FREE FOR ALL CHILDREN** under 18, pick up 5 days worth of breakfast and lunch at the following sites:

- 10:30am-12:30pm Kawana Elementary
- 10:30am-1:30pm Taylor Mountain Elementary
- 12pm-1pm Bellevue Elementary
- 11:30am-1:30pm Meadow View Elementary

Students in hybrid will be able to pick up “grab and go” meals as they leave school. Students remaining in distance learning will be able to pick up weekly meals on Wednesdays.

Maintenance & Operations, Roger Farrell, Director

Bellevue Elem. HVAC Improvement project is moving forward very nicely since the first week in March.

Kawana Springs: We are working with TLCD Architectural firm to create a design to best provide the much needed expansion of our Kitchen, MPR and remodel of our Admin areas.

We are working with GSM Landscaping Designers for a District Wide landscaping master plan to make our landscaping nicer, more drought tolerant and reduce maintenance cost.

In addition to these milestones we continued this week to make progress on preparations for the reopening of schools & the planning required to perform YEAR 2 projects from our [BUSD Facility 5 Year Plan](#) at our other sites.

Business Services, Chris Kim, CBO

The District presented a Budgetary and Cash Flow update at the most recent Board Meeting. The presentation outlining the key updates is now posted to the BUSD website. Specific topics included an overview of one time funding to support the reopening of schools and mitigation of learning loss, an update on the state of ongoing cash deferrals, and an update to the District’s multi year projections to be

used as a baseline for upcoming salary and benefits negotiations. The District is also in the process of coordinating its Spring and Summer Audit Schedule with Christy White and Associates and will be reporting on its Federal Cash Balances in the coming weeks.

Executive Assistance, Moriah Hart

New student registration is open both [online](#) and hard copy packets available at the school sites. Students eligible for kindergarten are 5 years old on or before September 1, 2021. Students turning 5 years old September 2 through December 2, 2021 are eligible for TK (transitional kinder). Depending on space we may accept students born December 3rd through March 1 to what we call TK plus. To register you will need a copy of the birth certificate, proof of residence (PG&E or water bill, lease), immunizations, physical and dental exam. Please call your school office with any questions.

A COVID-19 vaccine clinic for Sonoma County students age 16 and older, as well as their families, will be offered on Wednesday, May 12. For more information go to the SCOE link below:

https://www.scoe.org/.../school_staff_immunization.html

In partnership with you,

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