



BRISTOL LOCAL SCHOOLS...

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HIGH SCHOOL UPDATES

DISTRICT FINANCIAL NEWS

The district is asking voters to consider an emergency levy renewal for a period of five years to produce the annual amount of \$400,000.

This renewal is not asking for new money. These funds pay for operating costs of the district.

This five year levy renewal is estimated by the county auditor to average 4.15 mills, which amounts to 41.5 cents for each hundred dollars of valuation.

We are getting ever closer to the elementary bond issue being paid off. This equates to a millage of 1.85 on local property taxes that will be paid off in December of 2020.

The end of the school year is rapidly approaching. We were excited to have celebrated our 100th year in the high school building this year and had several activities highlighting our celebration. Our 100th year will culminate with the 2019 graduation ceremony on Friday May 24, 2019.

Even though our building is one of the older facilities in Trumbull County, we still are proud to offer many of the same opportunities as our newer neighbors boast. We have added three new Chromebook carts with twenty-five devices in each cart. This increases our inventory to seven carts in the high school with a total of one hundred and ninety five devices. We are very close to achieving a one to one ratio. Our internet network is better than many schools which allows our students to have increased access to educational opportunities in the classroom. We continue to provide our seventh grade students an introductory Google class as part of the seventh grade rotation.

As we look to next school year we are excited to increase the opportunities our students will have

available to them. Bristol will offer several new College Credit Plus courses next year. Students will be able to take College Writing I and II, Film Studies, Speech, Brit Lit I and II, World History and American Dreams. When our offerings are combined with access to any of the local universities in the area our students have unprecedented access to earn college credit before graduation. We are continuing to offer an elective rotation to our seventh grade students and are adding that rotation to eighth grade as well. Our schedule will change next year to increase instructional time for our students. Class time will increase to fifty minutes from forty two by reducing our periods by one. This increase may look small, however it yields forty extra minutes per week in each class and twenty four hours of extra instruction in each class during the course of the school year.

Finally I'd like to close by highlighting some of the accomplishments of our students. We were proud to have had great success athletically. Soccer returned

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ELEMENTARY NEWS



It has been an exciting year at Bristol Elementary School! We have made significant progress in investing in technology and raising student achievement. Additionally, we continue to consider ways to work efficiently to provide the best experiences for our students.

We reconfigured our building this fall to house 5th grade in the elementary portion of the building. This has allowed the fifth grade students to be included with the rest of the elementary students this school year; they were previously isolated in a part of the building away from the rest of the elementary students.

The district has utilized federal grant funds to invest in Chromebooks; we recently purchased 75 additional units and seven more charging carts. This investment will allow all of our students in grades 3-6 to consistently have access to devices; currently each class has access to them only a few days each week.

Our students continue to represent Bristol very well at academic competitions. Our Math 24 teams performed very well at their tournament in November. Fourth graders Lauren Church, Madesyn Grimm, and Anistyn Williams reached the semifinals, placing in the top sixteen in the county. Sixth graders Dominic Boggess, Kaylee Burns, Kaden Kohler, and Diesel Williams also reached the semifinals. In February the prep bowl team posted decisive wins over Maplewood and Howland en route to a fourth place finish in the tournament. The prep bowl team consisted of Quinn Hochstetler, Rayna Lambert, Samantha Mansfield, and Nicholas Soplat. We are very proud of their achievements and will recognize them at a Board of Education meeting.

The Ohio Department of Education added an overall school grade to their Local Report Card this year. Bristol Elementary earned a "B" for the 2017-18 school year, with most schools statewide receiving grades of "C" or lower. We are very proud of our students and teachers for all of their hard work throughout the year that made this designation possible.

As we approach the end of the school year we are preparing for state testing in April and May and the 6th grade students are preparing for their trip to Washington, D.C. The Chance Auction was very successful this fall,



we are very grateful for the support from the community.

Looking ahead to next school year we are planning to have the elementary school move to one schedule. The elementary day for all students in kindergarten through sixth



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to competitive form this year. Our Cross Country team made regionals. Our Volleyball team continues to field a competitive team with strong numbers. Basketball continues to lead the NAC in both girls and boys play. Our Prep Bowl team joined a new league this year and excelled. The Beta Club took first place at the Ohio Convention this year and elected one of our own to be the state Vice- President. Our school remains a strong participant in the foreign exchange program. We hosted three students this year and one will receive his diploma and be a Bristol Graduate!

This was a great year to be a Panther and we look forward to many more great years to come.

Panther Proud!

Mr. Timothy Fairfield, High School Principal



**2019-20
Open
House**
which will be
**Thursday,
August 15th**
from
**6:00 to
8:00 PM.**

**grade will be from 8:30 AM
to 3:13 PM. Please plan
accordingly for this change.**

Like most schools in our area we have lost students and reduced teaching positions over the last decade. Aligning our students and staff on one schedule will allow us to most efficiently utilize our resources to provide the best possible education for our students.

Finally, please mark your calendars for 2019-20 Open House which will be Thursday, August 15th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.



SPECIAL NOTICE

A member of our school district recently contacted our office and said that an 889-1093 number called – and it came up on their caller ID as “Bristol School” so they answered the phone and it was a “scammer” trying to sell them something.

This is a classic example of something called spoofing. You can buy a program that changes the phone number you are calling from to anything you want, like Bristol Schools. That is one of our phone numbers but the call did not originate from our phone lines.

Here is what the FCC says about it:

WHAT IS SPOOFING AND HOW DOES IT WORK?

“Spoofing” occurs when a caller deliberately falsifies the information transmitted to your caller ID display to disguise their identity. Spoofing is often used as part of an attempt to trick someone into giving away valuable personal information so it can be used in fraudulent activity or sold illegally. U.S. law and FCC rules prohibit most types of spoofing.

Caller ID lets consumers avoid unwanted phone calls by displaying caller names and phone numbers, but the caller ID feature is sometimes manipulated by spoofer who masquerade as representatives of banks, creditors, insurance companies, or even the government.

While this is not anything we can control, we wish to keep you informed. If you do receive such a call please do not give out any personal information and hang up.



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BRISTOL LOCAL SCHOOL - 2019/2020 School Calendar

August 13th, 2019	Tuesday	Floating Teacher Inservice Day	February 17, 2020	Monday	Presidents' Day / NO SCHOOL
August 14-15, 2019	Wed. & Thurs.	Teacher Inservice Days	February 18-February 21	Tues. - Fri.	Kindergarten Registration 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.
August 19, 2019	Monday	Students' First Day	March 16, 2020	Monday	End 3rd Nine weeks
September 2, 2019	Monday	Labor day / NO SCHOOL	March 20, 2020	Friday	Early Dismissal - HS 11:50/Elem 12:30
October 10, 2019	Thursday	Early Dismissal - HS 1:10/Elem 1:50 Parent Conferences - HS 2:00-8:30 Elem 3:00-9:30	April 10 & 13, 2020	Fri. & Mon.	NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
October 11, 2019	Friday	NEOEA Day / NO SCHOOL	April 22 & 23, 2020	Wed. & Thurs.	Kindergarten Screening
October 21, 2019	Monday	End 1st Nine weeks	May 18, 2020	Monday	Tentative Senior Last Day
October 25, 2019	Friday	Early Dismissal - HS 11:50/Elem 12:30	May 21, 2020	Thursday	Last Day for Students Early Dismissal - HS 11:50/Elem 12:30
November 27-December 2		NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break	May 22, 2020	Friday	Teacher Inservice - Last Day Graduation 7:00 PM
December 23-January 3		NO SCHOOL - Winter Break	May 25, 2020	Monday	Memorial Day
January 10, 2020	Friday	End 2nd Nine Weeks Early Dismissal - HS 11:50/Elem 12:30	May 22-29, 2020		Calamity Day Make Up - If needed
January 20, 2020	Monday	Martin Luther King Day / NO SCHOOL	June 1, 2020	Monday	Calamity Teacher Inservice - If needed
February 13, 2020	Thursday	Early Dismissal - HS 1:10/Elem 1:50 Parent Conferences - HS 2:00-8:30 Elem 3:00-9:30			
February 14, 2020	Friday	NO SCHOOL			

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