

Bear Valley International



Family Newsletter

March 2023

<u> Veti Spotlight</u>

Friday February 17th was National Random Acts of Kindness Day. As a full-school project, during our Learning Community class time, scholars and staff were asked by Mama Yeti to decorate a leaf to help update our Kindness Tree located in our front hallway.

Our Community was encourage to:

- Write an uplifting message!
- Write something they are grateful for!
 - Draw something that makes them happy!

We are overwhelmed by the care and thought all our scholars put into this activity. Next time you are in the building stop by to see if you can find their leaf!



Bear Valley International 3005 S Golden Way Denver, CO 80227 Main: 720-423-9600 Bully Hotline: 720-423-9674 Fax: 720-423-9675 Interim Principal- Teresa Klava

Attendance-

In order for your student to be excused, you must call the main number 720-423-9600 and leave a detailed message on the attendance line. Or email us at <u>bvoffice@dpsk12.org</u> Thank you!

Upcoming Calendar Events

<u>MARCH</u>

March 7 - Choir Concert @ 5:30 pm March 9-End of Quarter 3 March 10-BVIS PD Day, No school March 13 - BVIS PD Day, No school March 21 - 8th Continuation Photos March 22 - Band Concert at 530pm

SPRING BREAK = Mar 27- April 3rd Scholars return to school on Tuesday April 4th!

<u>APRIL</u>

Apr 3-DPS Planning Day, No Students April 17-21- CMAS Early Release @1:30pm

<u>MAY</u>

May 8- BVIS PD, No Students May 12 - SW Denver IB Fest at Sabin 5-7pm May 24 - Continuation for 8th grade May 26- Last Day 6th & 7th Students

Important Announcements

From the Nurse

As a reminder, inside John F Kennedy HS there is a FREE Denver Health Clinic for DPS students. Give them a call at 303-602-8958

Nurse Katie has seen an increase of kids coming into her health office asking for a snack. Please encourage healthy eating habits with your child by ensuring they are eating breakfast before coming to school or grabbing a FREE breakfast upon entry. Please also ensure they are bringing a reusable water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day.

Principal Selection

We are pleased to share that we have two candidates that will participate in the next steps of the hiring process. Both candidates visited our campus on Monday and was able to meet/greet with many of our scholars and staff! Click on their names for their videos!

- <u>Rachael Sutherland</u>
- <u>Robin Cerato</u>

Please share your feedback on the strengths and considerations of each candidate based on their presentations and the needs of BVIS.

Community Feedback Survey https://bit.ly/BVISFeedback2023

Please complete all feedback by Friday, March 3, 2023 at 10 a.m.

After the community input window closes on 3/3, feedback will be compiled to share with the superintendent to help inform the final 23-24 principal selection. Our hope is to have the 23-24 Principal announced before Spring Break!

Hello 8th Grade families-

Our 8th grade team is looking forward to celebrating our 8th grade students during continuation week! As a reminder, continuation week will be from Friday May 19th-Wednesday May 24th. While we are still planning some of the details and logistics of this week, it is important to remember the eligibility requirements. In order to participate, students need to have completed their iCAP, have no D's or F's quarter 4, above 92% attendance and no major or repeated behavior incidents. Please know that these requirements are directly aligned to monthly progress reports.

As of right now, one date to save is Wednesday May 24th at 6pm for our continuation ceremony at JFK high school!

We know that attendance percentages are sometimes out of your control. Students and families will be offered several opportunities to unofficially raise their attendance percentages. Students will receive a 0.5 point attendance increase for every working lunch they attend, 1.0 points for attending after school tutoring on Mondays or Thursdays and 3.0 points for each Saturday school they attend. Here are the following Saturday school dates:

Saturday School Dates; every day is 8am-11am

- March: 18th
- April: 8th
- April: 22nd
- **May**: 6th
- May: 13th

If you, your family or friends are interested in donating to make continuation week extra special, our team would GREATLY appreciate it. Please contribute using the link below:

Scholar Shout Outs!!

★ Ezra! (6th) I am shouting this student out because he is always so kind and is always making people smile and laugh. He makes sure that the class room is always clean and everyone follows the rules. ★ Ryan! (7th) IRyan is always doing what he is supposed to be doing. He always works hard, tries his best, and is willing to help others. I really appreciate having him in class. ★ Amy! (6th)Amy is prepared and ready for class 100% of the time. She is consistently showing what it means to be a strong scholar who demonstrates control over her actions. I appreciate her humor and fun energy! ★ Leo! (8th) He is crushing it in a woodshop by honing his craft and helping other students with theirs. He is always willing to lend a hand. ★ Hope! (7th) Hope was very respectful of my office, waiting until I returned to ask to come in! ★ Gianna! (7th) She is really showing excitement and effort during our small group time making social skills videos! ★ Aspen! (8th) Aspen is ALWAYS so polite and radiates positivity ★ Liana! (7th) She is a positive and respectful student . She always makes the great effort of completing the assignments. \star Lily C! (7th) Lily has been working super hard this quarter and advocating for herself! Lily, we love seeing you succeed! ★ Sadie! (8th) Their prose, their work ethnic, their kindness. EXEMPLAR. ★ Leia B! (7th) Leia is so thoughtful of others. She always donates her untouched breakfast items to my office for kids who need a snack ★ Julian G! (7th) Julien Gallegos is a positive influence on his peers and he has an awesome personality: keeps it positive!

Resources and Information from DPS



At each of our grade level exit doors we have non-perishable bags from our partners at <u>Food For Thought</u> for scholars to take home to help fill their pantry. All are welcome to come to the main office any time 7-2pm to pick up bags directly.

DPS Substance Use Prevention Program is your community-based source of information and tools to help identify and prevent teen alcohol and drug abuse.

Click below to find out more about: <u>Substance Use</u> <u>Community Assistance</u> <u>Marijauana specific info</u> <u>Upcoming Events!</u>

News from Harvey Park Rec Center!

Registration for spring recreation activities opens February 21 at noon! This season's highlights include alternative sports, swim lessons, adaptive excursions, day trips for adults 50+ and more. Browse the searchable online version of the spring activity guide now!

Spring Activity Guide