BRIDGE BULLETIN

DECEMBER 12, 2020

ONE MORE WEEK UNTIL WINTER BREAK

We skated through the past two weeks with only a couple positive cases of COVID-19 (all in close contact have been notified). My hope is we make it through next week with 0 cases so all students can enjoy not only the joy of learning, but also the fun and games teachers have planned for the day before winter break.



On Monday we begin Acadience (DIBELS) testing with our face to face kiddos. Online kiddos will take their tests after we return from break. This testing is the state's basic reading assessment and the data is incredibly useful at guiding our instruction. The data for grades K-3 is tied directly to our charter school reading goals and is also tied to literacy funds provided by the state. The middle of the year (MOY) test is an especially big change for 1st grade as students are now being asked to fluently read connected text. We are super excited to see the data to help us know what parts of our learning model are successful and what parts need some adjustment.

Our Winter / Christmas break begins December 19 and students return to school on Monday, January 4, 2021. During this break students who are bored or want to work extra hard to meet their PLP Goals, can access Imagine Learning for reading and math. Please contact your child's teacher if you need information regarding your student's login for Imagine Learning.

As always, have a safe and fabulous SNOWY weekend!

Lani Rounds Principal

INTENT TO RETURN TO BRIDGE



On December 1, we sent the first email for students in grades K-5 to register for next school year. This is an incredibly important process as it not only holds your child's spot at Bridge for next school year, but it also allows us to know exactly how many spots we will have open for the lottery. Please check your email for information about completing the registration process. The deadline to register for next school year is December 31, 2020. If you did not receive the email or you have questions or need assistance, please contact <u>Lalani Williams</u>.

Our lottery will open January 18, 2021 for all incoming siblings, this includes kindergarten students and the general public. Remember, siblings have FIRST priority in the lottery. We will have 75 kindergarten spots open next school year and fully anticipate having room for all our kindergarten siblings. You will receive notification when the lottery opens.

READY2TEACH

Bridge is ALWAYS in need of great subs! If you are interested in subbing at Bridge - lunchroom, recess, classrooms, special education, etc. please apply today through Ready2Teach using the button above. We pay \$12 for all substitute positions.

IT'S SPIRIT DAY EVERY DAY AT BRIDGE

Beginning Monday, students can wear a Bridge logo shirt ANY day of the week - they still need to wear black or tan bottoms to comply with the dress code. Based on feedback via Facebook and email we have launched another "Spirit Shirt" campaign so you can order additional t-shirts, long sleeved t-shirts and/or a sweatshirt. Use this link BRIDGE SHIRTS to place and pay for your order online. You can also paste this link into your browser https://www.customink.com/g/erz0-00cc-gema

The campaign ends December 26 and shirts will be delivered to Bridge about January 14, 2021. Please understand shirts are purchased and paid for through a vendor. We cannot refund purchases or change sizes once you place your order. Additionally, the only shirts ordered are through the orders parents place - we do NOT order extra shirts. Once the campaign has ended additional shirts cannot be purchased.







REGISTRATION FOR ONLINE LEARNING FOR TERM #3



Students who wish to move to optional online learning or who wish to REMAIN doing online learning for Term #3 MUST

register. Registration is now open and closes on December 28, 2020. If your student is currently doing online learning but you want he or she to move to face to face instruction for Term #3 you MUST notify our online facilitator, <u>Sara Tucker</u> by December 28, 2020. These deadlines are necessary to ensure we have time to plan and schedule resources for both the online learners and the students who attend face to face instruction.

The link to register for online learning AND information about our optional online learning program can be found on our website at: Online Learning or using this link: https://sites.google.com/bridgecharter.org/bridge-online-learning/home

CHANGES TO PERSONALIZED LEARNING PLANS (PLP)

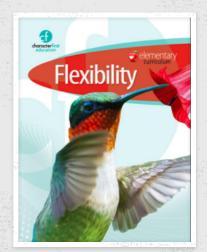
As you know, students in grades 1-6 all have a PLP and an assigned advisor. Advisors meet twice each month with their students to review goals, data, progress and next steps. Advisors email a link for the PLP to parents. Once each quarter parents are invited to participate in the PLP process with their student. Your child's advisor is shown on ASPIRE. You can contact the advisor if you have not received access to the PLP or have not met with the advisor online during a PLP meeting.

We have recently changed the PLP goals for Reading to better align with Imagine Learning. These changes have been discussed with your student and noted on the PLP. The change moved the goal from Acadience (DIBELS) or Imagine Learning Literacy to the Imagine Learning scaled score. The reason for this change is the scaled score actually adjust each week based on the student's current progress where the Acadience and Literacy scores only adjust based on benchmark tests complete three times each year.

VISIBLE LEARNING -FLEXIBILITY

This month during Visible Learning, students are learning about the importance of Flexibility. Students will practice the following "I Will..." statements.

- I will anticipate change.
- I will adjust when needed.
- I will look for the benefits.
- I will finish the job.
- I will do what is right.



Our mission is to empower students to take ownership of their own learning. By learning, practicing and embracing these visible learning traits, students will have the skills needed to become accountable for their own learning. You can find the six Visible Learning traits on our website at <u>Visible Learning</u>

DRESS DOWN DAYS

We have several parents and students who are confused and think EVERY Friday is Dress Down Day. <u>This is incorrect</u>. Our \$2 Dress Down Day fundraiser is the LAST Friday of each month. On this day students can donate \$2 and wear their non-dress code clothing. Our next \$2 Dress Down Day is <u>Friday</u>, <u>December 18</u> as that is the LAST Friday of school in December.

Some students earn FREE DRESS DOWN DAY coupons that they can use on any day of the week. Students must present these coupons to their teachers. Students who do not wear dress code clothing to school have two options:

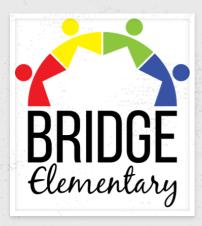
- 1. They can call home and have a parent bring them the correct clothing.
- 2. They can wear our donated clothing (it is ALWAYS washed between use) and return the clothes to school the following day.

Please call the office (801)499-5180 if you are confused about Dress Down Day.

FREE DINNER ON THE HORIZON

We are putting the final touches on our training and application in order to add FREE DINNER to our after-school enrichment program. If all the stars align, we will be providing FREE dinner to the students who stay for BASE starting in January. This is in addition to the FREE

breakfast and lunch we are currently providing. Dinner will be served at approximately 4:10 pm with student pick up remaining at 4:30 pm. Stay tuned for more information.



BRIDGE ELEMENTARY

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The mission of Bridge Elementary is to provide students with a personalized learning experience and empower them to take personal ownership and accountability for their own academic performance.

WHO TO CONTACT FOR WHAT

Principal - Lani Rounds

Lead Secretary - Lalani Williams (Aspire, registration, lottery)

Director of Special Education - Julie Christensen - (IEPs and students with disabilities)

Admin Support - Sara Tucker - (Title 1 Coordinator, ELL support, 504 Plans, Online Learning)



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